

**SOUTHEAST TEXAS AREA (SETA) 67
CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE (CFC) MONTHLY MEETING
P.O. BOX 925241, HOUSTON, TX 77292-5241**

CALL TO ORDER (Llame Pedir). On July 13, 2019, the SETA CFC met during the Area Assembly at the Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Houston Intercontinental Airport, 15747 JFK Boulevard, Houston, TX, 77032. The meeting began at 4:30 PM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Approximately 30 members attended.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Revision Minuto). Larry L circulated a copy of the June 19, 2019, meeting minutes. After the group read the minutes on their own, it was moved, seconded, and passed to accept the minutes as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Informes de Tesorero). Diane M reported distributed a copy of the financial report through June 30, 2019, summarized as follows:

Description	Amount
Blue Can Balance Carried forward as of July 9, 2019	\$ 7,649.86
Blue Can donations for June, 2019	\$ 6,914.24
Blue Can donations YTD	\$ 35,016.35
Non-AA Social Fund Balance	\$ 1,456.93
Expenses	
Book Purchases for May, 2019	\$ 6,927.55
Book Purchases YTD	\$ 31,691.50
Non-AA Social Fund for the National Corrections Conference	\$500.00
Blue Can balance available for purchases	\$ 11,021.53

After discussion of several questions, it was moved, seconded, and passed to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Chair Report (Coordinador Informe). Roy E invited newcomers to introduce themselves and whether there were any volunteer issues or concerns. Larry L reported that Harris County Jail still had a mumps outbreak and was not accepting any outside volunteer visits. Gary B said that Joe Keegan would like more volunteers. Richard D shared that the Ellis Unit was again open after some time when the AA volunteers were not allowed in. Roy continued with his report that all the sub-committee positions were now filled, including the IT chair which had been open for some months. We will have another training orientation in late September or early October, probably at the InterGroup Conference Center. TDCJ has appointed a new Volunteer Services Director, Ms. Lisa Langley, who has a lot of previous volunteer services experience and has been cooperating with us very well on issues at some units, like Ellis. There is still no official GSO Corrections Desk person but whoever fills that position should be coming to the National Corrections Conference here in Houston at the beginning of November. September 14 there will be a Corrections Conference in Louisiana Area 27. The National Corrections Committee has a conference call every Sunday for the Corrections Chairs from all 93 Areas. Area 65 in North Texas will have a Corrections Conference in Allen, TX, on October 5. In addition to a Trustee, our Alt-Chair Roland R will be a speaker there. We share doing a meeting with that Area up in Dibold. The GSO complimented the "awesome" Area 67 Corrections Data Base and online map that we have developed. Roy E and Chris D had brought ours to their attention and GSO hopes to use it as a model for a national CFC database. Roy noted that it is hard to keep the database updated, which we started back in 2012. Roy added that we have a non-public list of contact persons for each meeting.

Co-CHAIR REPORT (Coordinador Informe). Roland R followed up on what Roy had announced about an upcoming training, tentatively scheduled for either September 21 or 28, or October 19, 2019. The Committee is leaning toward September 21 so as not to conflict with the Louisiana Conference on September 14.

BLUE CAN (Contenedor Azul). Frank B. reported that he had picked up some Blue Can donations, which he forwarded to the Treasurer. He added that he had received 56 cans that Eric V ordered at the June meeting via Amazon. He has not received any new requests for cans but said he would be happy to make a presentation at anyone's group and is happy to help any way he can.

IT Report. Joel G was not present so there was no formal IT report. Roy reported that the Website is pretty much up to date.

Correspondence (Correspondencia)/ Pre-Release. Vadim B reported that, unfortunately, the Correspondence Chair for Galveston County/District 81, passed away. As a result, we/SETA CFC are now taking care of the District 81/Galveston County Jail correspondence. For June/July, we received 19 requests: From females, there were 7 for correspondence, 1 for literature, and 1 for pre-release. From males, there were 7 for correspondents, 5 for literature, and 2 for pre-release. For the volunteer list, we now have 59 female in English and 1 female in Spanish; 29 males for English and 4 for Spanish; for a total of 93 volunteers. Four of the requests were for ongoing correspondence with volunteers. In addition, he attended the Fifth Tradition workshop and Clear Creek training workshop. He then distributed several of the announcement cards that he had printed with information for anyone interested in participating in correspondence.

National Annual Conference Report (*Informe de la Conferencia Nacional Annual*). Roy E reminded the Committee that we would be hosting the 3rd National Corrections Conference here in Houston, November 1-3, 2019. It will be in this hotel (Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Houston Intercontinental Airport) and we are close to 100 registrations. Speakers and panels are pretty much lined up. Manny S added that there were also rooms still available at \$89.00, but it must be requested under SETA CFC Conference. All can be done via the conference Website. Veronica __, who is Chairing Hospitality, asked how she could get the word out requesting donations and volunteers for the Hospitality Room. Several people said they would be asking their groups at upcoming Group Conscience meetings.

Spanish Liaison (*Enlace español*). Luis P reported that the Spanish districts held their CFC Workshop on June 30 and he expressed thanks to the Committee members who conducted the workshop in District 64. He added that the next meeting of all the Spanish districts would be in District 65. They will discuss what they will do for the National Conference and he invited anyone interested to attend. Roy added that they could perhaps have one of the Hospitality Rooms on the ground floor.

GRAPEVINE (*La Viña*). Jackson __ was not present so there was no formal Grapevine report. It was announced to the group that there were a couple boxes of Grapevine and *La Viña* back issues available for people to take inside for their meetings. Roy reminded the group that the July issue is the annual Prison's edition.

LITERATURE REPORT (*Literatura Informe*) Richard D reported that the book orders were as follows:

Volunteer	Amount
Gary B	\$ 482.80
Brent H	\$ 624.00
Mike B	\$ 506.00
Roy R	\$ 484.00
Michael S	\$ 820.00
Roy E	\$ 1,207.60
Vadim B	\$ 738.20
Manny S	\$ 194.00
Total	\$ 5,056.60

It was moved, seconded, and passed to spend the money.

OLD BUSINESS (*Viejo Negocio*). Roy E announced that there is a CFC table out front here at the Area Assembly and invited anyone interested to sit there to answer any questions.

NEW BUSINESS (*Nuevo Negocio*). After some discussion, it was moved, seconded, and passed to offer the next CFC Training Orientation on September 28, 2019, at InterGroup.

Upcoming Events.

- CFC Houston Round-Up Fund Raiser with Inmate Speaker, August 3, 2019, at InterGroup
- District 90 Conference, August 16-18, 2019
- Louisiana Louisiana Area 27 Conference at Angola State Prison, September 14
- Area 65 in Northeast Texas CFC Conference in Allen, TX, on October 5

ADJOURNMENT (*Aplazar*). The meeting closed at 5:40 PM.