

**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 Wednesday, December 18, 2019, the SETA CFC met at District 66, 5645 Hillcroft, Suite 410. Roy E, SETA CFC Chair, began the meeting at 7:30 PM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. 19 members attended.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Revision Minuto). Larry L, CFC Secretary, was not present so Roy E circulated a copy of the November 20, 2019, meeting minutes.

It was moved, seconded, and passed to accept the minutes as amended.in

TREASURER'S REPORT (Informes de Tesorero). Diane M, CFC Treasurer reported the following financial summary:

Description	Amount
Income/Assets	
Blue Can Balance Carried forward	\$ 7,649.68
Blue Can donations for November, 2019	\$ 7,649.68
Blue Can donations YTD	\$ 63,138.57
Non-AA Social Fund Balance	\$ 905.12
Conference Fund	\$1,000.00
General Fund remaining	\$ 2,651.00
Expenses	
Postage	\$28.30
Supplies	\$29.30
Rent	\$120.00
Book Purchases for October, 2019	\$ 7,963.35
Book Purchases YTD	\$ 65,944.35
Blue Can balance available for book purchases	\$ 4,816.09

It was moved, seconded, and passed to accept the treasurer's report.

New Volunteers Two individuals introduced themselves as new visitors.

Host July Assembly Roy E presented Christina S. Area 67 Alternate Chair, who explained that the Area is having a hard time finding groups to host the Area Assemblies. In the past, various Districts have done so but they would like the various Area Committees to consider hosting future Area Assemblies. They are thinking about July 2020 specifically for the SETA CFC Committee. She explained that this would generally include:

- Hospitality. In the past various groups have "gone over the top" with the level of hosting with food but really all that is necessary is to provide coffee and a place for fellowship, and that the Area would pay for coffee. If the Committee decides to do more, then we would be responsible for any additional costs.
- Registration. This would require probably about four people for Saturday and Sunday mornings and a couple of people at other times.
- GSR workshops – The Area is preparing handout folders and PowerPoint presentations.
- CFC would not have to do everything if some Districts of groups would also want to step up.
- There might also be possibility of having a Literature Sales table with books on consignment from InterGroup.

It was noted that the AA International Convention would be the previous weekend so there would be no conflict. It was moved, seconded, and passed to agree to host the July Area Assembly, with the exception of the GSR Workshops and with the provision that we be open to other groups like Districts that may be willing to host individual aspects of the Area Assembly.

Chair Report (Coordinador Informe). Roy E noted that he keeps getting notes from GSO about meeting requests from units where we already have meetings. Roy also noted that we need to identify a chair person for the next SETA CFC Annual Conference, as well as a location. Roland R is checking with Beaumont or Huntsville for doing next year's annual conference. Frank B suggested Lake Jackson, where there are a number of units as well as adequate hotel facilities. Richard D expressed concern from previous experience that having the location other than Houston may seriously reduce the attendance. It was decided to make this an old business discussion for the January 2020 meeting.

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Co-CHAIR REPORT (*Coordinador Informe*). Roland R was not present so there was no Co-Chair report.

BLUE CAN (*Contenedor Azul*). Frank B. reported that he spoke with a couple of clubs gave him some Blue Can donations that had not previously been involved. He has a couple of cans available if anyone would like one. He also mentioned that InterGroup had not called several of our Committee members who had ordered books, so he went ahead and picked up those orders for the Committee members. He also heard that InterGroup was out of Blue Cans so he left a couple with them.

IT Report. Roy E noted that we currently do not have an active IT Chair, but he (Roy) will upload any backlog of reports that need to be posted. He added that we only have one year left for the current election period and it does not require a lot of computer expertise. So he asked everyone to let him know if we are acquainted with anyone with even a little amount of computer expertise who may be willing to step in for 2020.

Correspondence (*Correspondencia*)/ Pre-Release. Vadim B was reported that there were 10 letters from women, 3 for correspondence and 7 for literature. There were 13 letters from men, 8 for correspondence and 5 for literature. Happily, 6 letters were for ongoing correspondence. The list of correspondence volunteers now includes 54 women for English, one woman for Spanish, 32 men for English and 5 for Spanish, totaling 92 volunteers. Vadim noted that there is a group of letters from inmates who do not clearly indicate a concern about alcoholism or specify other drugs of abuse. He invited suggestions about how best to address this correspondence and several committee members suggested additional contacts that he might make use of.

Spanish Liaison (*Enlace español*). Luis P indicated he did not have much to report. He said the Spanish districts had \$624 of donations left over from the National Conference. So the Districts that met last month at District 65 decided to designate \$324 for Blue Can donation and \$300 for the next Spanish workshop, maybe in April 2020. He also reported that the Darrington anniversary will be January 12. It was suggested that perhaps the surplus funds might go to the AA Social fund but Luis pointed out that the Spanish districts had decided clearly to reserve the funds as he described.

Grapevine (*La Viña*). Jackson S said we will have a Grapevine table at the conference.

Literature. Richard D reported that there were four literature orders, as follows:

Volunteer	Unit	Amount
Vadim B	Montgomery County	\$ 166.20
Paul K	Jester	\$ 474.60
Larry L	Harris County Jail	\$ 195.10
Roy E	Diboll	\$ 440.40
Total		\$ 1,276.30

It was moved, seconded, and passed to spend the money. It was also moved, seconded, and passed to spend \$1,000 for Grapevine and \$500 for *La Viña*.

Old Business

- Roy E reminded the group that we need an SETA CFC Annual Conference Chair for 2020.
- Pack Unit will have anniversary in March 2020.
- We will have a display table at SETA Annual Convention in January. We will need some help for the table, passing around the Blue Can during the CFC speaker at 3:00 PM, etc.
- Richard D said we have had an issue at the Luther Unit because the volunteer list was lost and needed to be replace. The situation is additionally complicated because the previous chaplain retired but it was recommended to check with the new chaplain and re-created the approved visitor list. Roy E added that it's a good idea for each of us to check with whatever units we go to that we update the visitor sign-in lists at the gate.
- Area 68 CFC conference in February.
- **Adjournment.** The meeting closed at 8:45 PM with the Lord's Prayer.