

**SOUTHEAST TEXAS AREA (SETA) 67
CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE (CFC) MONTHLY MEETING
P.O. BOX 925241, HOUSTON, TX 77292-5241
Meeting Minutes for February 21, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER (Llame Pedir). On Wednesday, February 21, 2024, the SETA CFC met at 7:30 PM at InterGroup, 5151 Mitchelldale, Suite 10B. Tony W, SETA CFC Chair, started the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer, after which he read the CFC Statement of Purpose. 18 volunteers attended, including 4 who attended remotely via Zoom. Three new volunteers introduced themselves.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Revision Minuto). There were no minutes for January 2024 because the Committee did not meet during the quarterly Area Assembly. So, Larry L, SETA CFC Secretary, circulated the December 20, 2023, meeting minutes, which the group read on their own. It was moved, seconded, and passed to accept the minutes as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Informes de Tesorero). Roy E, SETA CFC Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's Report, as follows:

Description		Amount
Income/Available Funds		
Blue Can balance as of 01/01/2024	\$	29,827.33
Blue Can Contributions for the Month	\$	7,024.44
Expenses		
Literature	\$	(110.90)
Grapevine/La Viña	\$	
Mail/Postage	\$	
Lodging (SETA Convention)	\$	
Printing	\$	(342.70)
Supplies	\$	
InterGroup Room Rental	\$	
General Fund	\$	(171.90)
Conference Fund	\$	(1,229.81)
Conference Social Fellowship Fund	\$	(1,068.28)
Total Expenses	\$	(453.60)
Ending Bank Balance as of 1/31/2024	\$	36,398.17
Blue Can funds available for Book Purchases	\$	33,928.18

Roy noted that about \$2,000 of the \$7,000 monthly contribution was from Blue Can funds collected at the Area Assembly. It was then moved, seconded, and passed to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

CHAIR REPORT (COORDINADOR INFORME). Tony W reported that:

- Due to notable increase of drug use in units, TDCJ had implemented a new electronic process for receiving personal correspondence for inmates, exclusive of legal and certified mail; books, magazines, packages, and other subscriptions sent from publishing companies sent to the units.
- Committee documents have been added to the SETA Website.
- Tony is updating the SETA CFC job descriptions for SETA to vote on at the Spring Assembly.
- The Gateway Foundation in Atascacita has invited us to take meetings into their facility. Tony said he will send their training material to those who are interested.

Manny S and Roy E added that some units are not allowing volunteers to bring in AA books or literature due to the concern for drugs contraband.

CO-CHAIR REPORT (COORDINADOR INFORME). Harold B was not present, so there was no Co-Chair Report.

BLUE CAN (CONTENEDOR AZUL). Richard D was not present, so there was no Blue Can Report.

IT REPORT. Bahiyyah W reported she was still working on updating the Web material.

CORRESPONDENCE (CORRESPONDENCIA) / PRE-RELEASE). Tom W was not present so there was no Correspondence or Pre-Release report. Roy E said that he had several letters which he would scan and distribute. Larry L noted that Tom W had moved to Florida and would no longer be able to serve as Correspondence Chair. Alex H said that he was recently released and that several men he knew had written but never received any responses. Tony W said that Tom W had 3 different lists of volunteers interested in corresponding. Tony is merging those lists for men and women correspondents. Natalie ___ said she would volunteer to Chair Correspondence. Bahiyyah W said that several women from Plane State also wanted to correspond. Sarah ME said she also had a letter from a woman inmate.

Conference Report. Sarah ME, the 2024 Conference Chair, reported that:

- Fliers were almost ready.
- A list of speakers has been prepared and we're still waiting for the Spanish speakers to be confirmed.
- There is a Website up and available for registration.
- Co-chairs have been identified Roy E is co-chairing.
- First Conference Planning meeting will probably be next month at 6:30 before the 7:30 meeting starts.

SPANISH LIAISON (ENLACE ESPAÑOL). Yolanda L was not present however Miguel ___ reported that:

- The 3 Spanish districts had met to prepare for the Conference.
- They have a committee to prepare the Hospitality Room.
- He added that they will conduct an AA workshop on March 10 in Pasadena.

GRAPEVINE (LA VIÑA). Terry P reported via Zoom that the Grapevine Committee was not doing very much lately but they were pushing for more people to describe. Roland R said that anyone who subscribes will also receive a Grapevine book at no charge. Bahiyyah W asked about possibly doing a Grapevine writing workshop in one of the units. She and Terry discussed that option.

LITERATURE REPORT (LITERATURA INFORME). Manny S reported book orders, summarized as follows:

Volunteer	Unit	Amount
Roland R	Jester and Keegans	\$ 850.00
Mark P	Terrell	\$ 1,073.40
Roy E	Darrington	\$ 452.00
Julio A	Darrington	\$ 100.00
Total		\$ 2,475.40

Manny added that Chuck M had requested books and Ms. Garcia had also ordered books, totaling about \$600, ordered back in December. It was moved, seconded, and passed to spend the money.

OLD BUSINESS (VIEJO NEGOCIO). There was no Old Business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS (NUEVO NEGOCIO). Tony W said that SETA has been concerned that some books from SETA CFC have been ordered for use by CFC Houston, and this will be addressed next month.

There was a general concern that we need more volunteers.

ADJOURNMENT (APLAZAR). The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.