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

Meeting Minutes for July 17, 2024

<u>CALL TO ORDER (Llame Pedir)</u>. On Wednesday, July 17, 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 SETA CFC Statement of Purpose. 18 volunteers attended, including 2 remotely via Google Meet, and 1 new member.

<u>SECRETARY'S REPORT (Revision Minuto)</u>. Larry L, SETA CFC Secretary, circulated the June 19, 2024, 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 06/01/2024	\$ 33,606.54
Blue Can Contributions for the Month	\$ 3,183.57
Conference Contributions (general and coffee donations)	\$ 302.25
Area Contribution for General Fund	\$
Total Income	\$ 3,485.82
Expenses	
Literature	\$ (7,044.37)
Rent	\$
Grapevine/La Viña	\$
Mail/Postage	\$
Lodging (quarterly assemblies, annual convention, state correction conferences)	\$
Printing	\$ (247.66)
Supplies (checkbook)	\$
InterGroup Room Rental	\$
General Fund	\$
Conference Misc plus WIX / Advance	\$
Conference Social Fellowship Fund	\$
Total Expenses	\$ (7,292.03)
Ending Bank Balance as of 6/30/2024	\$ 29,800.33
Blue Can funds available for Book Purchases	\$ 25,729.14

It was then moved, seconded, and passed to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

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

- Bridging the Gap failed to pass at the recent Area Assembly
- Harris County Jail Atascocita needs many volunteers, especially women to lead meetings.
- Several different volunteers have begun discussion about starting meetings in Brazos County.
- Discussions have also begun to start meeting in Waller County.
- Annual SETA CFC Convention will be the 2nd weekend in September and everyone is encouraged to participate. The schedule will include excellent speakers, Spanish District hospitality, and online registration is available.
- 7th National Corrections Conference will be in Charlotte, NC, Novembre 8-10, with all information available at NationalCorrectionsConference.org.
- Corrections Correspondence Service is still seeking volunteers to correspond with the incarcerated, with information at AA.org, and we are always looking for correspondents in our own Area 67, including correspondence and Bridging the Gap.
- Since February 2022, 451 facilities around the country now have digital access to AA literature. As a result, over 25,000 inmates have so far accessed AA literature via the Global Services Website.
- h a quotation from Bill W that, "To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the world.

CO-CHAIR REPORT (COORDINADOR INFORME). Harold B reported that:

- He went to the Young People in AA (ICYPAA) international conference in Austin, where he presented about CFC. Several individuals had been incarcerated for vehicular manslaughter.
- He gave CFC workshops in 3 different districts. He informed them that he would do trainings online if they want.
- He did not like the fact that the IT committee did not want CFC to have access to their Bridging the Gap data base.
- He collected registrations and coffee donations for the Annual Conference.

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<u>CFC Houston.</u> Chuck M announced the annual CFC Houston Round-up Fund Raiser on the first weekend of August. He added that if any is planning to attend the International AA Convention in Vancouver, he is putting together a list of individuals to visit a corrections facility during the conference.

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

IT REPORT. Bahiyyah W was not present so there was no IT Report.

CORRESPONDENCE (CORRESPONDENCIA) / PRE-RELEASE). Natalie B reported that:

- We received letters from Brazos County, Galveston County, and TDCJ.
- No one has reached out for Pre-Prelease/Bridging the Gap.
- Several previously active correspondents have not been responsive, so she has had to contact inmates herself and she is in process of developing some standard operating procedure when this happens.
- Several books have been mailed out upon requests, but several requests have been for NA literature and she does not know how to address requests for NA literature.
- She has come to appreciate that all these process take a lot of time.

CONFERENCE REPORT. Sarah ME reported that:

- Conference planning is proceeding on schedule.
- We have about 110 registrations.
- Room bloc as about 23 rooms already booked.
- The hospitality room is confirmed.
- We remain a little low on banquets.
- Speakers are confirmed for the professional panels.
- We will also have a panel for other opportunities to participate in the Committee.
- TDCJ Training is confirmed.
- Spanish District have committed to help with hospitality.
- Our AA representative has agreed to open the conference.

SPANISH LIAISON (ENLACE ESPAÑOL). Yolanda L was not present so there was no Spanish Liaison report, and the Alt Spanish Liaison did not have any more to report. He added that there will be an CFC Workshop at District 66 on Sunday at 1:00 PM

GRAPEVINE (LA VIÑA). Terry P was not present so there was no Grapevine report.

<u>LITERATURE REPORT (LITERATURA INFORME)</u>. Manny S was not present so there was no official process for ordering books. However, individuals wrote their orders on plain paper to turn in. There were two orders totaling \$982, which was approved by the Committee. 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). There was no New Business to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT (APLAZAR). The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM with the Responsibility Statement.