

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

**CALL TO ORDER (Llame Pedir).** On Wednesday, August 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 SETA CFC Statement of Purpose. 28 volunteers attended, including 1 remotely, and 3 new volunteers.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT (Revision Minuto).** Larry L, SETA CFC Secretary, circulated the July 17, 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
<b>Income/Available Funds</b>		
Blue Can balance as of 07/01/2024	\$	29,800.33
Blue Can Contributions for the Month	\$	5,351.91
Conference Contributions (general and coffee donations)	\$	826.20
Area Contribution for General Fund	\$	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,178.11</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Literature	\$	(4,735.72)
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 / Lodging	\$	(298.76)
Conference Social Fellowship Fund	\$	(1,198.28)
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(5,034.48)</b>
<b>Ending Bank Balance as of 6/30/2024</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>30,943.96</b>
<b>Blue Can funds available for Book Purchases</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>26,345.33</b>

Roy observed that the conference registrations were moving along, so the event should be self-supporting this year. It was then moved, seconded, and passed to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

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

- He had not heard anything more about the Atascocita Harris County Residential location, other than it is run by the Gateway Foundation, i.e., not Harris County Jail, they have only one volunteer and need more to lead meetings. Both men, and especially women as they have no women volunteers currently.
- He met with the chaplain of the Brazos County Jail and their program coordinator. They had a previous program with paid group leaders, and Tony explained that we do not do that, i.e., all AA programs are led by volunteers who are not paid. We have 3 local volunteers but they still need to have times and dates for meetings. He also brought them some Spanish literature. They are apparently using some incomplete versions of the Big Book. He told them he could provide them with current books.
- Waller County Jail is up and running, with meetings on Wednesdays, alternating between men's and women's meetings. Men or women can lead meetings; the first meeting will be September 4. They need literature but the Chaplain and staff need to review everything.
- Annual SETA CFC conference is coming up on September 6-8, and everyone is encouraged to attend at Sheraton North Houston.
- National Corrections Conference will be in Charlotte, NC, November 8-10. All information is at <nationalcorrectionsconference.org >.
- National Corrections Correspondence service is still seeking volunteers to correspond with the incarcerated. Information is available at < aa.org >. For our Committee, related information for correspondence and pre-release is available at < aa-SETA.org/SETA-CFC >.

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

- He spoke with the hotel and Roy E about the upcoming Annual Conference. Registration was over 100. He invited everyone to let him know if they were willing to work the registration table, and if anyone needed scholarship support. He already has 17 scholarship requests from two different ¾ houses.
- He's also been working with several groups training them to go into units.

- Syd J reported that he had collected about \$150 for the Annual Conference.

**BLUE CAN (CONTENEDOR AZUL).** Richard D reported that he had new Blue Cans available for anyone who wanted one.

**IT REPORT.** Bahiyyah W reported that:

- She was updating the list of units where we take meetings.
- Not related to IT, she asked for names of those who plan to go to the Wynne Unit Anniversary, on August 24, at 5:00 PM. Yolanda L said that there about 15-20 approved volunteers and about 150 inmates attending their groups.

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

- We received 6 new letters. She is updating the list of volunteers willing to correspond with inmates.
- She asked people who are going into units to announce that we have the correspondence program and inmates who would like to correspond with volunteers just need to contact us.
- Tony W and Richard D noted that the National Correspondence group in New York is always looking for volunteers, so they suggested that Natalie contact them with names of volunteers who are eager to correspond.
- Harold B noted that TDCJ has the new SECURUS system for communicating electronically with incarcerated inmates.

**CONFERENCE REPORT.** Sarah ME reported that:

- We have about 150 reservations, and about 25-30 scholar ship requests.
- We have about 25 banquets and need about 30.
- Roy E and she had walked through the hotel.
- Speakers and the professional panel are both confirmed.
- Other CFC opportunities panel is confirm.
- Registration, and security are covered.
- The hospitality room is confirmed.
- 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 reported that:

- The Spanish Districts have met and prepared the menu for the hospitality room.
- The Spanish speaker is confirmed, and he wanted to know whether we will pay for his room, to which the answer is yes[x].

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

**LITERATURE REPORT (LITERATURA INFORME).** Manny S reported the book orders as follows:

<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Roy E/Rocco M	LaBlanc	\$ 1,156.50
Roy E	Luther/Estelle	\$ 1,509.60
Sarah ME	Carol Young/Plane State	\$ 565.70
Tony W	Walker County	\$ 65.88
Tony W	Brazos County	\$ 437.40
Roland R	Joe Kegans/Jester III	\$ 195.60
Olla T	Luther / Plane State	\$ 1,087.40
Harold B	Estelle/Hightower	\$ 1,317.60
Yolanda L	Wynne	\$ 1,491.60
Richard D	Wynne/Luther	\$ 351.00
Bahiyyah W	Walls/Bambi	\$ 65.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 7,086.78</b>

It was moved and passed to spend the money. Manny added that volunteers who order large amounts of books need to attend the monthly meeting, especially for Plane State there seems to be more books ordered than are necessary. He suggested that we table this discussion and address the issue again next month. Bahiyyah W said we need to follow up with Lucky Z.

**OLD BUSINESS (VIEJO NEGOCIO).**

Tony W reported that the motion to combine with the national Bridging the Gap project did not pass at Area Assembly. The Treatment Committee suggested that some of their committee and some of our CFC meet to deal with Pre-release requests. He asked the committee how we should proceed. Harold B said he is preparing a motion about this. The Committee decided to table this discussion till next month's meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS (NUEVO NEGOCIO).** There was no New Business to discuss.

**ADJOURNMENT (APLAZAR).** The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM with the Responsibility Statement.