

Southeast Texas Area 67 Correctional Facilities Committee (SETA CFC) Meeting Minutes January 16, 2013

Opening:

- The monthly Area 67 Correctional Facilities Committee (CFC) was called to order at 7:30 PM by Jim K. on January 16, 2013, at the Delta Club in Houston, Texas with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.

Present:

- Bahiyah W., Belinda M., Catherine N., Chris D., Delores R., Dori C., Elizabeth S., Evelyn C., Fritz B., Herman F., Holly D., Julie C., Luis P., Paul M., Richard D., Rodney G., Siea, Tammy W., Tom K.

Secretary's Report:

- The December 2012 SETA CFC Minutes were passed, with corrections made to the November's Treasurer's Report.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was presented with a Ledger Balance of \$8,483.43 and a Blue Can fund sub-total of \$ 2,841.82.

- Holly questioned from which fund the convention funds had been drawn. Shouldn't the funds come from AA Social Funds?
- Fritz disagreed, as no consumables had been purchased with the funds.

Herman motioned to pass the Treasurer's Report. Richard seconded the motion. The Treasurer's Report passed unanimously.

General Sharing

- Tom K. introduced himself as representing the SETA Public Information Committee.

CFC Rep Reports:

(District, Meeting, Facility, Group)

- Roy E. – Recently became the Chair of Intergroup CFC and still visiting a few prisons.
- Evelyn C. – District 40 Liaison but didn't get to go to the SETA Convention due to the weather.
- Herman F. - Currently visiting 6 or 8 prisons, but his baby is The Joe Keegan Unit. He heard that someone from the Heights is taking a meeting into Keegan, but he hasn't been able to determine who.
- Belinda M. - Home Group is Pathfinders at the Walls, Alternate GSR, and Co-Chair Intergroup CFC.
- Paul M. - District 32 CFC Rep. for Luther.
- Delores - Ramsey, Harris County - waited 45 minutes due to prison lock down.

- Holly D.- Taking meeting to Plane State Unit.
- Tammy W. - Coordinating upcoming Appreciation Dinner for Chaplaincy at Plane State Unit..
- Fritz B. – Estelle is still in need of a volunteer the 3rd Monday to work with the hearing impaired prisoner. He has a signer and a temporary AA volunteer, but looking for a more permanent solution to the AA volunteer - male or female.
- Julie C - Visits Plane State and Henley Units
- Catherine N - Representing Literature and Corrections Liaison.
- Richard D. - Current Intergroup CFC Liaison and attends meetings at Ellis, Luther, Ramsey, the Walls, and Wynne Units.
- Luis P. - CFC Chair 2013 Conference. Went to meetings on 2 floors of 701 San Jacinto on Fridays, but there were no inmates on the 6th floor. He sent an email to the Chaplain requesting information.
- Chris D – Volunteers at The Joe Keegan Unit.
- Jim K - Attending meetings at the Walls, Ramsey and Harris County

Old Business

New CFC IT Chairperson

- Herman motioned to create a new IT position responsible for maintaining information on the SETA Website. Richard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Jim K. discussed that plans were in process for a new computer to be provided by the SETA's Information Technology Committee to the person filling this position, or to the Chair / Alt. Chair positions.
- Two individuals asked to stand for this position: Dori C. and Rodney G. Each described their home group, credentials and sobriety. They were asked to leave the room, and a vote was cast. Dori C. won the vote and accepted the new IT position.
- Holly questioned whether the Area allowed us to post Financials on the website, and the consensus was yes, we can.
- Fritz requests that we post November and December 2012 Financials.
- Tom K visits the IT Committee Meeting and suggests that they have information we can use.

2013 SETA Convention

- Roy E. delivered the Convention Report - We were able to provide information for new Volunteers, and we had a good Hospitality Suite with great food. We were able to collect the following contributions to the Blue Can Fund.

CF Speaker Meeting	\$387.40
Hospitality. Room	\$135.00
CF Display	\$1.00
Total	\$523.40

Committee Reports
Pre-Release Report

- From Tammy W for Fran M.
 - 9 requests received from Fort Bend County Jail
 - 2 incorrect or disconnected phone numbers given
 - 3 volunteers assigned/ in progress
 - 1 asked to provide more information about release date and location
 - 3 need follow-up, as info just given to FAM
 - 1 request received from San Jacinto County Jail-Assignment in process
- Total 19 Letters**

Correspondence Report

- From Kern V for Fran M.
 - 2 New Email
 - 3 New Male
 - 1 On-going Female
 - 7 Pre-release Forms
 - 6 Requests for Literature
 - 1 NA Correspondence
- Total 20 Letters**

Chair Report:

- Jim K. & Roy E. will be attending the SWTA 68 Annual CFC Conference, Feb. 1-3 in San Antonio, TX.

Literature Report:

7 Orders			
Richard D.		548.20	
Catherine N.		674.10	
Barbara G.		331.90	
JJ W.		138.00	
Harold P.		140.80	
Vicky W.		783.60	
Belinda M.		536.39	
	Total	\$3,152.99	

Fritz motioned to accept the Literature Report. Richard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

- Review of the Literature Ordering and Delivery Functionality
 - Delores - The message was that books were on the way to Harris County, but they still haven't arrived.
 - Evelyn - Going forward, we should not send anything else to Harris County Jail.
 - Belinda - Everything with the 11/15 date was shipped to David Kennedy.
 - Jim - Two guys went to David K's house to pick up books and saw pallets of books in his garage.
 - Fritz - David Lufkin and Bill Adams have been picking up books from the garage and taking them into prison meetings.
 - Herman F. - For simplicity sake, we need to go back to ordering books from Intergroup. Herman makes motion than our literature ordering and pickup system be taken back to the Houston Intergroup bookstore. Followed by much discussion pro and con. Motion is tabled until the next meeting.
 - Fritz - We need to get a handle on the current inventory before we change anything.

Adjourn:

- At 9:05 PM with the Lord's Prayer.