

**Southeast Texas Area 67 Correctional Facilities Committee
(SETA CFC) Meeting Minutes
September 18, 2013**

OPENING:

- The monthly Area 67 Correctional Facilities Committee (CFC) was called to order at 7:30 PM by Jim K. on September 18, 2013, at the Delta Club in Houston, Texas with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

21 Souls Present

- Two first-time visitors: Audreyia T. and David N.
- Additionally; Belinda M., Candie H., Chris D., Cole D., Dori C., Elizabeth S., Jim K., Herman F., Larry L., Laura Z., Luis P., Marcial G., Michael S., Ola, Paul M., Richard D., Roland R., Roy E., and Victor R.

Secretary's Report:

- The August 2013 SETA CFC Minutes were distributed, followed by general discussion.
- Minor corrections were made to 3 notations in the General Sharing section.

Richard motioned to accept the August 2013 Minutes as amended. Dori seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Put on hold, as Chris was not yet present.

GENERAL SHARING

(Group, District and Facilities Reps)

- Cole (Alt. DCM Dist. 20, ICYPAA Bid Comm. Liaison) - Takes meetings to Keegan Tues. @ 6:30PM, and to Walls Fri. and Sun.
- Laura - As a result of changes at The Walls, Special Volunteers are no longer allowed. She's completed her Orientation and is awaiting approval.
- Belinda - (Alt. GSR Pathfinders) - Walls 1st, 2nd, 4th & 5th Sun. and 1st and 3rd Fri. Also goes into Lynchner, Estelle and Ellis. Ellis Trustee is no longer allowing more than 3 volunteers at a time.
- Victor - (Dist. 64) Takes meetings to Baker St. every Tues. @ 7:30 PM. Holliday every Sun. @ 3PM. Both are Spanish-speaking meetings.
- Marcial - Holliday every Sun. @ 3PM. Also attends District meetings every week.
- Chris (Treasurer) - Joe Keegan every Tues. @ 7:30PM with Cole and Herman.
- Luis - Wanted to thank everyone for their part in the Conference. From what he saw, it was a big success.
- Michael - Takes meetings to Jester I every Thurs. @ 6:30PM. It's an Open Discussion meeting with approximately 150 attendees.
- Ola - Darrington every other Sun. @ 6PM with Herman and Roland. Willing to go where needed.
- Roland - Darrington every other Sunday @ 6PM. Plane State 4th Wed. @ 7PM, and Luther the 2nd Wed., where there were 3 fights this last week. He got out okay.
- Richard (Intergroup CFC Liaison) - Luther 1st Wed. @ 7-8PM. Wynne (Bldg) 2nd Thur. @ 6-8PM. Walls 3rd Fri. @ 6-8PM. Ellis (Trustee) 4th Fri. @ 6-8PM.
- Paul - (Dist. 32 CFC Rep.) - Luther (Trustee) 2nd Wed. Dist. 32 wants to have a workshop, so he will be pushing for it to be a CFC workshop.
- Candie - Completed Orientation and turned in paperwork.
- Roy - (CFC Chair) - Beginning to see SETA and Intergroup CFC working hand in hand. Takes mtgs to Luther 1st Wed., Ferguson 2nd Fri., Walls 3rd Fri., Ellis 4th Fri., Darrington every other Sun.
- David N. - Has a car and is looking for service opportunities.
- Dori (IT Chair) - Attends meetings at the Walls, 2nd & 4th Sun, and Henley the 1st and 3rd Thurs.
- Elizabeth (Secretary) - Has been removed from the list for The Walls, but is approved to go into Henley Unit with Deborah D. starting next week. Awaiting approval after Orientation.
- Jim (Chair) - Harris Cty Jail every Tues., where this week they had 20 guys and handed out 11 Desire Chips. He also referenced the "Summary of Action Items - Voting Items October Assembly" Sheet that had been handed out prior to the start of the meeting.

- Herman - Attended Sunday's meeting at Darrington, which had 43 in attendance.
- Larry (Dist. 20 Rep.) - Completed Orientation Sat., and wants to complete training for Harris County.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Chris D.

- The monthly Treasurer's Report as of 31 August 2013 has a Ledger Balance of \$10,078.57
- The General Fund Balance is \$1,417.26 and,
- The Report also shows a Blue Can Balance of \$6,785.05 available for August's book purchases.
- We dipped into the \$1,000 set aside for the Conference, but Chris didn't have the exact amount. We will have the exact amounts next month.

Herman motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report as stated. Belinda seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Eastham Unit

- It turns out there is already an AA group at Eastham, but they were registered as a church group. They are meeting at the Trustee camp.
- Things are still looking good that a Saturday meeting will move forward.

Ellis Unit

- Ellis GRAD program needs more Volunteers at 4:30
- But Ellis Trustee is limiting the number of Volunteers allowed at one time to 3 volunteers

2014 Annual CFC Conference in Huntsville

- No decision has been made at this time - that's why we're discussing it
- The Conference has been held in Houston for years
- Having it in Huntsville in 2014, followed by Beaumont in 2015 would all be in the "Spirit of Rotation", and in providing our sister cities the opportunity to experience the exercise of hosting
- It could cause a dramatic decrease in attendance
- Many new in sobriety may not be able to afford the cost of travel
- A vote will be held by the committee in December to decide on the matter

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Correspondence/Pre-Release Report (Jim, in Fran's absence)

- 10 Correspondence Letters
- 5 Requests for Literature
- 2 Other Letter
- 2 Pre-Release
- 0 Group
- **Total Letters 16** (with 19 requests)

There was an urgent request from an unknown source for a 5th Step. Roy said he would look into the request.

Blue Can (Paul, Blue Can Dude)

- Collected \$4,381.65 for the month of August 2013
- Collected \$147.27 at the Conference
- Paul will attempt to attend each District meeting to pass out Blue Cans, so please inform him of your District's meeting date
- Chris indicated the Blue Can Report will be available on the website and will be available at the Assembly

SETA CFC Conference (Luis)

- Conference was very good, with a lot of Hispanic help
- District 66 had 25 pre-registered
- Belinda thanked
 - Laura & Elizabeth for the Hospitality Suite
 - Roland for stepping up as the Speaker Sunday morning

- To all the Speakers - Each told a truly good story
- Dori and her sponsees for their coordination of the Registration table
- Jim's brisket!!!
- And everyone else who put in effort to make it a wonderful event

Chair Report (Jim)

- The translation at the Conference was most excellent
- Special thanks to Roy for his behind-the-scenes work at the Conference
- Will be working on a CFC Presentation for the upcoming Assembly
- Roy recommended we hold a Wrap-up Meeting / Date set for Nov. 9th @ 10AM

Literature Report (Herman)

Michael S.	Jester I	\$1835.00
Total 1 Order	1 Individual Unit	\$1835.00

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

Intergroup CFC Liaison (Richard)

- 22 Attendees/4 New
- \$5,643.92 White Can for the month
- \$27,690.92 YTD
- Spent \$3,553.65 on Book Orders and Mail Outs for the month
- Chuck passed out Phone #s at the Conference in the hopes of jump starting the process.
- Daniel G. and Meme A. were elected as the new Web Coordinators for Intergroup CFC.
- Making a renewed effort to pass out BTG pamphlets in and out of prisons.

IT/Web Report (Dori)

- She met a Chaplain at the Conference who suggested that she contact the prisons and ask them for a list of their AA meetings and times for her database updates
- Dori motioned that a position be created for IT Co-Chair, and that David N. hold that position. His skills in programming would compliment her skills in networking. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

CFC Workshop @ October SETA Assembly

- Jim and Elizabeth will work on a presentation

Houston Intergroup Office

- Share the office with Intergroup CFC
- Would we move the Board meeting to the office? Undecided
- Collected \$22 this month for Delta Club

Upcoming Events

- Spirit of the Pines Retreat, Oct. 4-6, Camp Olympia, Trinity, TX
- Walls Anniversary, Oct. 5th, Huntsville, TX - Unsure which of the selected speakers will be allowed in
- SETA Assy & SETA CFC Workshop, Oct. 5-6, Sheraton North Houston, 15700 JFK Blvd
- Southwest Regional Forum 2013, Oct. 11-13, Biltmore Hotel, Oklahoma City, OK
- SETA CFC Conf Wrap-Up Mtg, Nov. 9th, 10:00 AM, 5645 Hillcroft, Ste. #410, Houston, TX
- Pine Forest Retreat, Nov. 29-Dec.1, 2013 at Camp Allen, Navasota, TX

Dori motioned to close the meeting. Elizabeth seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Those in attendance closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting Sat., Oct. 5th, 2013, 3:30 PM at Sheraton North Houston, 15700 JFK Blvd, Houston, TX