

Southeast Texas Area 67 Correctional Facilities Committee (SETA CFC) Meeting Minutes November 20, 2013

OPENING

- The monthly Area 67 Correctional Facilities Committee (CFC) was called to order at 7:31 PM by Jim K. on November 20, 2013, at the Delta Club in Houston, Texas with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Secretary's Report:

- The October 2013 SETA CFC Minutes were distributed, followed by general discussion. The location of the meeting was changed within the Minutes from Delta Club to the Assembly. Paul motioned to accept the October 2013 Minutes as read and amended. Dori seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

- Jim presented the monthly Treasurer's Report in Chris' absence as not having been reconciled, but Chris appeared later in the meeting with a corrected report. This included:
 - \$3,368.02 Blue Can Income for the month for a Blue Can Balance of \$3,535.76 available for November's book purchases
 - General Fund Balance of \$1,267.26
 - And an Overall Total of Accounts equalling \$6,072.08

Richard motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Dori seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

15 Present

- One first-time visitors: Paul W., CFC Rep for District 40
- Additionally, Candie H., Chris D., Dolores R., Dori C., Elizabeth S., Jim K., Herman F., Larry L., Mariano T., Paul M., Richard D., Roland R., Roy E., and Sam S.

GENERAL SHARING

(Group, District and Facilities Reps)

- Paul M./District 32 CFC Rep. & Blue Can Dude - The Area hasn't decided yet which Workshop to proceed with, but it's not looking good for CFC. He also has 2 subscriptions for La Viña and needs help getting them to Spanish inmates. Elizabeth volunteered to help.
- Herman/Literature Chair - Takes 6 to 8 meetings inside a month. Regularly takes meetings into Joe Keegan on Tuesday nights, where they've had people sitting on the floor. Chaplain recently called him to let him know the meeting was canceled. They really need help in Harris County.
- Larry/District 20 CFC Rep. - Completed his Volunteer Training and is pursuing training for Harris County, but every time he calls, he speaks to someone different. District 20 is putting on a Workshop for "How to Stay Sober During the Holiday". Larry is also the incoming Correspondence Chair for Intergroup. Wanted recommendations, to which Jim suggested he try going in as a Special Volunteer.
- Paul W./District 40 CFC Rep. - New to CFC. Holy Name Men's Group is his home group.
- Roland - Darrington's Anniversary is Jan. 12th. We'll be meeting at the back gate at 4:30 for a 5-7PM meeting. Also, Third Tradition Group will celebrate their 36th Anniversary and the Club its 33rd Anniversary.

- Chris/Treasurer - Brought the corrected report. Still taking meetings into Keagan on a regular basis.
- Sam - Came to listen, learn and laugh. And take notes.
- Richard/Intergroup CFC Liaison - Visits 4 prisons a month.
- Mariano/District 65 CFC Rep. - Takes meetings to Estelle 1st Monday and to San Jacinto every week. Brought \$140 for the Blue Can. Pablo needs help getting a Chaplain's Badge. Jim said he needs to speak with Natasha.
- Dolores - Visits Ramsey with Al. Trying to get back to Harris County, but the authorities are making it difficult.
- Roy/Intergroup CFC Chair - Visiting 5 to 6 units a month. He has a compact version of the List of Orientations remaining for 2013.
- Dori/Webmaster - Only volunteer to show up for a recent Sunday meeting at the Walls. She also got to tell her story at the Henley Unit on the 5th Thursday of October.
- Elizabeth/SETA CFC & Intergroup CFC Secretary - After being misdirected to the wrong room for a meeting at Henley Unit two different times, finally found the right place and ended up meeting her sponsee in the process.
- Jim/Chair - Harris County Jail needs volunteers desperately; for example, Fran and Andrea are leading 3 meetings a week. But the authorities are making it very difficult. To become approved, you have to view a 4 hour Internet presentation on Rape Prevention and then pass a test with at least 80% correct answers. You must also take and pass a TB Test. Mike Barber had made it sound like this was going to be a cake walk, so it was suggested that perhaps Mike needed to be contacted again.

OLD BUSINESS

Eastham

- Unit is on Lock Down, and the first scheduled meeting has been cancelled.
- Chuck did a great job getting everything set up, but there's nothing we can do about the lock down status, so the first meeting will be in the new year

Huntsville Conference

- No word from Fritz
- We will still have a vote on the Huntsville location at the end of this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

- We are really in need of help with Correspondence - Especially male volunteers
- To volunteer to correspondence with inmates, please send an email to Fran at seta.cfc.coordinator@windstream.net
- 24 Correspondence Letters
- 9 Requests for Literature
- 1 Other Letter
- 2 Pre-Release
- 0 Group
- **Total Letters 36**

Blue Can (Paul, aka Blue Can Dude)

- Brought cans with him and has flyers explaining Blue Cans

SETA CFC Conference

- Luis not present

Chair Report (Jim)

- Already shared. He's having a hard time balancing responsibilities due to the float.

Literature Report (Herman)

Kristen M.	Estelle	\$357.20
Catherine N.	Henley	\$522.40
Fran M.	Harris County	\$536.80
Eugene H.	Montgomery County	\$355.00
Victor R.	Harris County	\$608.00
Bill A.	Jester III	\$437.00
Elizabeth S./Dori C.	Henley	\$267.00
Roy E.	Byrd/Darrington	\$40.00
Total 8 Orders	7 Individual Units	\$3123.40

Elizabeth motioned to accept the Literature Report. Paul seconded the motion. The motioned passed unanimously.

Intergroup CFC Liaison (Richard)

- 28 Attendees/4 New
- Darrington Anniversary on January 12, 5-7PM
- \$5,530.07 Book Purchase
- 8 Book Orders
- \$2,055.64 White Can as of November 18th
- \$32,623.33 YTD
- As of Jan. 1, CFC's Financials will be incorporated with Intergroup's
- Eastham scheduled for their first visit this Saturday
- Goree needs volunteers, as Randy backed out of his commitment
- Daniel has all good data up on the Intergroup website
- Grapevine Drive at Spirit of Houston raised \$230
- There will be a Christmas Party before the next CFC meeting starting at 7:15, 12/16 at Intergroup

IT/Web Report (Dori)

- Meeting List is now posted
- It is a current active listing
- Color coordinated
- Still needs SETA CFC Contact Person per unit
- She is developing a "How Can I Help" document
- Jim to send the CFC PowerPoint file to Dori for posting on the website

NEW BUSINESS

Follow Up Meeting/Holiday Party

- Fellowship and Conference wrap-up
- Pot Luck
- 6PM, Dec. 18th at Delta Club

Goree Needs Reps

District 81 - Forming CFC Committee

- Conducting meetings
- People from other Districts who don't have their own CFC Reps are attending

Upcoming Events

- Ramsey Anniversary - Saturday, Dec. 14th

Paul motioned to close the meeting. Chris seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Those in attendance closed the meeting with the AA Responsibility Statement.

Next meeting is scheduled for Wed., Dec. 18th, 2013, 7:30 PM at Delta Club, 6400 Westpark Dr.