

Southeast Texas Area 67 Correctional Facilities Committee (SETA CFC) Meeting Minutes April 12, 2014

OPENING

- The monthly Area 67 Correctional Facilities Committee (CFC) was called to order at 4:41 PM by Jim K. on April 12, 2014, at the Sheraton North Houston in Houston, Texas with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

17 Souls Present:

- **Newcomer:** Joe Z./Dist. 65 CFC Secretary
- **Additionally:** Angel, Chris D., Diane M., Earl G., Elizabeth S., Harold P., Herman F., Jason E., Jim K., Judy H., Larry L., Martin M., Richard D., Roland R., Roy E., Tammy Z.

Secretary's Report (Elizabeth)

- The March 2014 SETA CFC Minutes were distributed, followed by general discussion. Richard motioned to accept the March 2014 Minutes as distributed. Jason seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report (Chris)

- Blue Can Contributions for the month were \$2,591.97
 - Blue Can Balance as of Mar. 31 is \$7,869.74
 - Total Expenses for the month were \$4,289.58
 - Total Ledger Balance for the month is \$12,495.38
 - We received annual check from SETA in the amount of \$2530
 - Transferred \$168.40 from General Fund to Conference Fund to pull fund up to \$1000
- Richard motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Elizabeth seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

GENERAL SHARING

(Group, District and Facilities Reps)

- Roy/Volunteer Training Coord. - Ferguson went on lockdown after they left Houston. Also goes to Walls, Ellis, Darrington and Luther. There were 32 attendees at last week's orientation.
- Chris/Treasurer - Still taking meetings into Keegan with Herman and Cyrus
- Roland - Darrington bi-weekly, Plane State and Luther.
- Herman/Literature - Keegan, Luther, Ramsey, Henley, Ferguson, Ellis, Holliday, and Walls
- Tammy - Coordinator and volunteer for Plane State Jail
- Harold - Since having lost the work at Ft. Bend County Jail, he's now going into Jester I weekly
- Larry - Finally made it into Harris County Jail and into the Byrd Unit for the anniversary
- Joe - Completed Harris County Jail Orientation
- Angel - Dist 64 - Attends meetings at Harris County Jail and Holliday Unit. Is trying to get into the Walls.
- Martin - Received a correspondence letter from Fran, but it's from a woman, and he wants to get the situation straightened out. It also indicates that the woman may have already been released from jail.
- Richard/Liaison - Attends meetings at Ferguson, Wynne, Walls & Ellis.
- Diane/Dist 81 CFC Alt Rep - Takes meetings into Plane State and Carole Young

- Jason - Needs to attend orientation again, and wants to help out wherever he can
- Earl/Dist 90 CFC Chair - Attends meetings at Gist
- Elizabeth/Secretary - Attends meetings at Holliday, Walls, Henley and VOA. Recently lost some support at Henley, but Kim G. will be riding with her to future meetings.
- Jim/Chair - Spring Orientation netted 32-35 attendees, but some were renewing, not brand new volunteers. There was \$37 raised, which was in some dispute, after the fact. Jean Dagget passed away, volunteer and former Substance Abuse Counselor at Holliday Unit.

OLD BUSINESS

Upcoming Workshops & What We Can Do to Pitch In

- CFC @ Third Tradition - April 19th, 11:30 - 1:30
 - BBQ, Panel, attendees
- District 81 CFC Workshop - May 17th, 2:00 - 7:00
 - Panel participants
- Multilingual Chair - Martin interested either for himself or someone in his District

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

	March	April
Correspondence Letters	5	17
Requests for Literature	1	3
Other Letters	2	2
Pre-Release	3	5
Group	0	0
Total Letters	11	27

Blue Can (Paul absent)

- Purchasing books is the intention of Blue Can money
- Tammy questioned why it was that books were purchased for the VOA, and Elizabeth responded that it was a TDCJ mandated transitional housing facility where she and Dori take a Step Study.
- Roy pointed out that the can states we use the collected funds to purchase literature for individuals in “Correctional Facilities”.
- Harold motioned to create a sub-committee to define what constitutes a “Correctional Facility”. Herman seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- Tammy was assigned to head the committee, with Harold as co-chair. Both accepted their positions.

SETA CFC Conference (Larry)

- Had fliers for English and Spanish, based on last year
- Questioned how to distribute to the widest distribution list
- Spoke to Dick again about using Intergroup for our planning meetings, and there will be no cost associated with our meetings, since it’s regular AA business

Chair Report (Jim)

- Luis resigned as Co-Chair, and we are in need of a replacement for the duration of this term (through December 2014)
- Both Martin & Jason expressed an interest in the position and shared their qualifications.
- Martin: Sobriety 4/23/1999; former GSR, former District 66 Chair & Secretary, and served as CFC Rep for 4 years

- Jason: Sobriety 9/8/2000; GSR for Dist 90 and Dist 70, CFC Chair, 2010 Conference Chair, and Secretary of several boards
- Martin won majority of votes and is the new Co-Chair for the duration of the current term.

Literature Report (Herman)

Elizabeth	Henley	\$376.00
Diane M.	Carole Young	\$547.50
Roy E.	LeBlanc/Gist	\$643.00
Roland R.	Darrington	\$438.60
Total 4 Orders	5 Individual Units	\$2,205.10

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

Intergroup CFC Liaison (Richard)

- \$5982.40 Balance for the month
- \$3540.66 Book order placed
- No White Can Report for the month - Accounting problem
- Chuck passed around the Anniversary sign up lists for Pack and a picket list for Eastham
- 19 Wardens were mailed letters requesting craft items for Round Up

IT/Web Report (Jim, in Dori's Absence)

- Web site is up to date and looks great.

NEW BUSINESS

- Ad Hoc Committee for determination of Correctional Facility
- Election of Alternate Chair
- Dist. 20 Spring Workshop

Upcoming Events

- Third Tradition CFC Workshop, Sat., Apr. 19, 2014, 11:30A-1:30P, 5656 Belarbor, Houston
- Intergroup Appreciation Dinner, Sat., Apr 26, 2014, 6:00-9:00PM, Intergroup Conference Ctr
- District 81 CFC Workshop, Sat., May 17, 2014, 2:00-7:00, 1310 5th St, Seabrook, TX 77586

Richard motioned to adjourn the meeting. Herman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Next meeting is scheduled for Wed., May 21, 2014, 7:30PM at Delta Club, 6400 Westpark Dr.