# Southeast Texas Area Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous



## **3rd Quarter Assembly Minutes** Saturday and Sunday July 9<sup>th</sup>-10th, 2022

Hybrid (via Zoom and in-person) Meeting\* Double Tree Hotel Houston Intercontinental Airport 15747 John F Kenned Blvd., Houston, TX 77032

This we owe to A.A.'s future; to place our common welfare first to keep our Fellowship united. For upon A.A. unity depend our lives and the lives of those to come.

#### Area Committee Meeting Saturday, July 09, 2022 8:30 am – 9:00am

#### **Open of Area Assembly Meeting** – Christina S.

• Opened meeting with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

#### Preamble to SETA Policies and Procedures Manual – Bella L.

• Read the Preamble to the SETA Policies and Procedures Manual

Roll Call for Area Committee – Kathleen T.

**Chairpersons Introductions – New DCM.s** 

Review and Approved April 2022 Area Secretary Minutes – Approved as Submitted

Treasurer's Report Presentation to Area Committee – Approved as Submitted

#### **Unfinished Business**:

Open Positions:

La Vina Committee Chair - OPEN Intergrupa Hispano Del SW (D66&67) - OPEN

#### New Business:

Grapevine Chair -OPEN

#### Motion: Policies and Procedures Manual language change for election procedure

#### Background Information

At the April 2022 Assembly the ad hoc Committee review of the Policy and Procedure Manual (PPM) recommended changes to the election procedure used by Area 67 to elect the Alternate Chairperson, Alternate Officers, Committee Chairpersons and Intergroup Liaisons. The Area Assembly approved going forward with the changes. The language below is the actual changes to the PPM to be used starting with the upcoming October 2022 election Assembly.

Changes to Policy and Procedure Manual page 11

- 3. Balloting shall be as outlined in "Third Legacy Procedure" in the A.A. Service Manual for Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Area Officers, <u>Alternate Chair</u> and Finance Chair.
- 4. Any A.A. member with a suggested minimum of three years of continuous sobriety and two years of previous service in this Area Assembly, may advise their willingness to serve as Chairperson, Alternate Chairperson, Secretary, Alternate Secretary, Registrar, Alternate Registrar, Treasurer, Alternate Treasurer and Finance Chair.
- 5. Election of Alternate Officers (except Alternate Chair), Chairpersons for Assembly approved Committees and Liaisons to Intergroups will be determined by the person receiving <u>a majority (greater than 50%) of the votes cast</u>, said votes to be cast by written/<u>electronic ballot</u> by those qualified voters present and voting at the time the election for each position is held.
  - a. <u>If no person has a majority of the votes cast, a runoff will be held</u> <u>between the two persons receiving the</u> <u>most votes. In the event of a tie</u> <u>vote in the runoff, both names will be placed in a hat and one name</u> <u>drawn. The name drawn fills the position.</u>
  - b. In the event of a tie for second place on the first ballot, a runoff will be held including the person with the most votes and all tied for second place. If one person gets a majority of the votes cast, the election is final. If no one has a majority, the individual with the least number of votes is removed and a third ballot is cast. If a majority is still not achieved, the names of the two persons receiving the most votes will be placed in a hat and one name drawn. The person whose name is drawn fills the position.

#### Underline portions are changes to PPM

#### Area Committee Vote: Passed by substantial majority

#### Translator Vests - Assembly to consider vests and vote on it in the October Assembly - Taylor

summary of the background:

The proposal set forth is requesting that the Southeast Texas Area may consider funding the purchase of eight (8) visibility vests, to be used at Area Assemblies by any translators present.

It has been recommended that these vests would be recycled for use at any area event where there is a call for multilingual translators to be present, most notably our quarterly area assemblies as well as our annual area convention.

The vests would be proposed in like kind form, as found in the Appendix 1 - Translator Vests. The recommended number of visibility vests to be purchased as follows:

- x5, Spanish
  - x1, French
  - x2, American Sign Language

#### VOTE for 2023 SETA Budget – Passed by substantial majority vote

TFC CHAIR – Kendyl W. Requesting Area support for Bridging the Gap Convention being held in Area 67 for 2023/2024. Did not request monetary support, hosting a hospitality room.

<u>A sense of the Area for</u>: requesting the 73rd General Service Conference have an agenda item that requires the final version of the plain language, simplified language, accessible translations and large print versions of the book Alcoholics Anonymous be approved by the full Conference

Area Inventory – Troy D. B., past Delegate,

Announcements – Bella S.

**Close – Responsibility Statement** 

## Area Assembly Meeting Sunday, July 10, 2022

Open of Area Committee Meeting – Christina S.

• Opened meeting with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer **Preamble to SETA Policies and Procedures Manual** – Bella S.

• Read the Preamble to the SETA Policies and Procedures Manual

#### Secretary's Minutes - Meece T.

 April 2022 minutes approved as corrected; The Spanish version was corrected by translators Debra D and Allise B.

Treasurer's Report - Reino F.

• April 2022 Report approved as submitted.

Delegate's Report – Kris H. Alternate Delegate's Report – Rick M. 2023 SETA Convention Update – Annette C. Area Ad Hoc Committee - Melissa R. Policies and Procedures Ad Hoc – Rick M.

#### Area Committee Roll Call – Kathleen T.

69 voting members present in-person and 10 on Zoom See Page 22-23 for table of Area Committee Roll Call

#### **Unfinished Business**

La Vina Committee Chair - Remains Open Intergroupa Hispana del SW - Remains Open

#### New Business

Grapevine Chair – Catherine G. and Daryl stood for this position, Daryl was voted in.

Motion: Policies and Procedures Manual language change for election procedure was approved by unanimous vote.

Translator Vests - Assembly to consider vests and vote on it in the October Assembly - Taylor

Sense of the Area - requesting the 73rd General Service Conference have an agenda item that requires the final version of the plain language, simplified language, accessible translations and large print versions of the book Alcoholics Anonymous be approved by the full Conference

**<u>2023 Budget Proposal</u>**: Approved as submitted – Ron S.

Announcements - Bella L.

**Close Meeting** – Responsibility Statement

### **Service Committee Reports**

#### Delegate's Report - Kris H.

Good morning, SETA,

Something I picked up at Conference but failed to report was the idea: Blessed are those who have nothing to say and the courage not to say it. (Credited to an anonymous Trustee).

At the end of my report yesterday, I was asked to provide all of the Roundtable Reports to be audited by another member of the Area. No sooner than I had agreed, I realized that they were most likely left at the hotel in a pile with a bunch of the background that I had pre-printed and taken with me. When I got home, I discovered that my fear was correct, and they are no longer available. To avoid any dispute, I would like to recant any statements that I have made regarding there not being any definitive sense of the Area (i.e., votes cast to rescind) because I have no way to support that. I will hold with my statement that I read nothing new in the discussions that was compelling enough to vote against any recommendation or consideration coming out of the Literature committee regarding that item. With all that said, I would like to share a snippet of the SETA Delegate job description: "Yet they are not representatives of their area in the usual political sense; after hearing all the points of view and becoming fully informed during Conference discussion, they vote in the best interest of A.A. as a whole." I feel that I did that last year, and had I been able to vote on the Floor Action in question, I maintain I would have voted with the prevailing side-opting not to reopen the debate about the Plain Language Book. It is unfortunate if some of you are disappointed in that, but as I've been told many times-rotation fixes a lot of problems, and our elections are the next Assembly. If you are qualified, I hope you will stand as it is a once in a lifetime opportunity.

As I reported yesterday, there are several important dates to be mindful of. First, per the Equitable Distribution of Workload advisory action, all proposed agenda item forms must be submitted by September 15th for consideration for the 73rd GSC Agenda. Second, submission of Stories for possible inclusion in the 5th Edition of the Big Book are due by October 15th and can be submitted through aa.org/submit-bigbook-english-5th. Third, submission of Stories for possible inclusion in the 4th Edition of the Spanish Big Book are due by December 15th and can be submitted to <u>4LGHistorias@aa.org</u>.

Next weekend: North/South Connections Virtual Special Forum — A.A. in Remote Communities Saturday, July 16, 2022 – 11am-7pm EDT Members from the service structures of Argentina, Canada, Chile and the United States will share their experience, strength and hope in extending the hand of A.A. to Remote Communities.

Most of you are familiar with the AA.Org website and the Meeting Guide app. I would like to encourage each of you to stay up to date on what is going on in General Service by checking out the What's New link Inside AA on the website or by clicking the News button in the app. They both carry links to recent press releases and BOX 459. Very handy tools for all of us at our fingertips.

I look forward to visiting the last handful of Districts and seeing you all back here in October to see the elections. Keep in mind we will need to put forward a candidate for Southwest Regional Trustee, so make sure your favorite past Delegates are here in October.

Why do old-timers always pay the exact amount? Because they are afraid of change.

In Service, Kris Hartmann, P71/A67 Southeast Texas

#### Alternate Delegate's Report – Rick M.

Good morning, SETA!

I hope everyone was able to participate in the Job Fair last night. Did everyone find the position or committee that you wish hold or participate in? On a serious note, our area elections will take place in less than three months. We will be electing a slate of new officers, Committee Chairs and Liaisons. Please consider standing for any position for which you meet the qualifications. GSR's, consider standing for your DCM in your home District. If that doesn't happen, then consider joining a service committee. DCM's and Committee chairs please consider standing for Delegate. Officers and Alternates, also please stand for Delegate. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Legacy election procedure assures that our Higher Power will put each person exactly where we are needed to serve. As I have traveled this happy road down the triangle, there have been several times that I faced the beginning of a new rotation with fear. Fear that I wasn't good enough, that the job would be too hard and/or take up too much time. Invariably, those have been the positions that provided the most opportunity for growth and believe it or not, turned out to be the most fun.

One week after our election Assembly, SWRAASA will take place in Tulsa Oklahoma. SWRAASA stands for: Southwest Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly. It is a great opportunity to attend workshops covering every service position in AA, hear from our Regional Trustee, our past Trustees, our Region's Delegates and Alternate Delegates. It is also a great opportunity to meet other AA members from around our Region. All the needed info can be found by following the Regional Events link on the SETA home page. The hotel is the Renaissance Convention Center. Several folks from our Area will be presenting at SWRAASA. Paul M. will present a workshop titled "Involving the Alternate Delegate." Ron C. will facilitate a workshop covering the Trustee position, and our current Area Chair Christina S. will present a workshop on Concepts 10 and 11. Our current Delegate Kris H. will discuss "Safety in AA – an Important Consideration." Yours truly will be discussing Tradition 2.

I am very grateful for this opportunity to serve our Area. Thank for your trust and support.

In love and service,

Rick M. Alternate Delegate Area 67/Panel 71

#### **GSR Workshop – No Reports**

#### 2022 SETA Convention – Annette C.

Anette C. reviewed the open chair positions

Annette presented an idea by \_\_\_\_\_ to put the registration off of district 90 website through wix, it was decided to stick with Eventbrite for this year's convention.

Zachary stepped down as co-chair and is now doing security. Cody R. is our new Co-Chair.

Tracy gave a report on host committee and stated she was working on finding likes and dislikes for gift baskets, as well as transportation

Annette stated that the chair, cochair, treasurer and alt-treasurer that they needed to get their information to Reino F. asap to be added to the SETA Chase bank account. It was stated that they will have 30 days to go to their nearest Chase bank to fill out required signature cards.

Annette brought up the idea of getting a really big 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary cake.

Cody brought up the idea of having Archives present a brief 5 minute about the history of SETA Convention, talk to Mike D. about this.

Catherine G. made some phone calls, and it looks as though we might be able to have both alateen and alanon representation.

Reino wrote the committee a \$1,000 check for the hotel deposit. Annette stated she will drop the check off at the hotel on Monday.

#### Ad-Hoc Committee on the Area Committee - Formed January 2021

This ad-hoc committee was formed by Area Chair Christina S. to address suggestions made by the Area Inventory Ad-Hoc Committee pertaining to the Area Committee of SETA 67.

The committee wishes to express gratitude to the members of the Area for responding to our requests for input. The committee also thanks our Area Chair for the opportunity to be of service.

While obtaining feedback from the Area through surveys, questionnaires and other means, the committee has arrived at several conclusions. The committee respectfully submits three (3) recommendations in response to the tasks set before the committee.

#### Recommendation 1

In response to Part 1 of the first suggestion:

That the Area Committee look at meeting ahead of the Assembly to set the agenda and review it prior to the Assembly weekend.

This ad-hoc committee recommends that a sub-committee of the Area Committee, hereinafter called the "Agenda Committee" be formed from the members of the standing Area Committee, to set the Agenda. The ad-hoc committee further recommends the following:

• The Agenda Committee to be a rotating committee, two rotations per year.

- The Agenda Committee to consist of the Area Chair, at least (1) DCM, at least (1) Service Committee Chair, and another officer of the Area, not to exceed (5) members at any given time.
- The members of the Agenda Committee, other than the Area Chair, will be chosen by random selection.

#### Recommendation 2

In response to Part 2 of the first suggestion:

Should the Area Committee use the time at assembly for more interaction with GSRs and Service Committees? (That the AC meeting at Assembly has not been the best use of time for ALL Assembly attendees.)

This ad-hoc committee recommends that the Area Committee devote a portion of meeting time at every Assembly to DCM and Service Committee Chair training. Training should focus on Traditions, Concepts, Roberts Rules of Order, how to chair meetings, how to train GSRs within their Districts and greater utilization of the Service Committees, both at Area and within their own Districts. *(See Recommendation 3 in regard to GSRs).* 

#### Recommendation 3

In response to the second suggestion:

That a specific Area Committee Inventory be considered. What can be done to better serve the GSRs?

This ad-hoc committee does not feel that a specific Area Committee inventory is required at this time.

To better serve the GSRs, this committee recommends the following:

- Continue GSR training workshops at every Assembly, including the January session.
- Review and consider updating the GSR training PowerPoint presentation, if deemed necessary.
- Training for GSR Workshop presenters.
- Presenters to place a stronger focus on the GSR's responsibilities, how they fit into the A.A. Committee System and Traditions and Concepts; less time on "sharing sessions".
- Service Committee assignments for GSRs who have not yet selected a service committee.
- Reintroduce Literature in the GSR workshops; and
- Reintegrate the English and Spanish GSR training Workshops (unless it proves to be too cumbersome).

#### Archives – Mike D.

Since the April 2022 Assembly:

Have given Archive presentations at:

- 1. The 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 25<sup>th</sup> Hour Group 87 Lyerly, Houston, TX
- 2. The 1502 Group, June 11, 2022. Excellent presentation by Eddie R., committee's archivist
- 3. District 32 meeting, June 5, 2022, with Zoom. Again, Eddie R., with Mike D., good job.

- 4. Joel G., of Archives committee, put a new display together for the Houston Intergroup.
- 5. Joel, with Sarah and Mike D. helping, working on new History of the Houston Intergroup, for earlier work regarding the intergroup. Done in 1986 for GSO records.
- 6. Working with found data, regarding the translation of the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Big Book to Vietnamese. This within the 1991-1992 period. Dick P., Houston Intergroup Executive Secretary predominantly responsible. Accepted by General Service Conference. Conceivably for SEAT Archive Display.

Mike D., Chair, 281-818-5325

#### CFC – Roland R.

SETA Correctional Facility Committee Area 67 Panel 71 Chair Report July 9,2022

Purpose: Southeast Texas area SETA CFC carries the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to the suffering alcoholic behind the walls of our local County and state jails as well as state and federal prisons.

We meet the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM at Intergroup 5151 Mitchell Dale suite B10 Houston TX 77092.

Committee members attended to Oklahoma correctional conference in May 75th Texas state convention in June, Wynne unit anniversary, and Districts 63, 64,65, and 66 hosted workshop at district 66. Great turn out.

We're starting a new meeting at the Springfellow Unit this month July.

#### Upcoming Events

- OUR SETA CFC Conference September 9-11th will be here at the Doubletree Hotel. If you would like to be a part of that committee, we meet the third Wednesday at Intergroup 6:30 p.m.,
- 6th National Correction Conference November 11th through 13th Chicago.

SETA CFC Chair Love and Service Roland R.

#### CPC - Don P.

CPC Committee Purpose – "Members of C.P.C. committees inform professionals and future professionals about A.A.— what we are, where we are, what we can do, and what we cannot do. They attempt to establish better communication between A.A.s and professionals, and to find simple, effective ways of cooperating without affiliating." – reprinted from Cooperation with the Professional Community Workbook, page 5, with permission from A.A. World Services, Inc.

For 2022, the CPC Committee Chairs and initiatives are as follows:

- Current committee chairs: o CPC Chair Don P.
- o Alternate CPC Chair Michael G.

o CPC Secretary - Open

o CPC Veteran/Military/Police/Fire Department Chair - Bill A. o CPC Clergy Chair - Open

o CPC Hospital Chair – Cheryl H.

o CPC Court Chair - Open

o CPC Schools Professionals Chair - Open

o CPC Disaster Response Chair - Bill A.

o CPC Business/Employee Assistance Program Chair – Open

• Members of the committee have continued to stay engaged and active with several networking groups, such as The Recovery Network, Houston Recovery Initiative and the Texas Chapter of the Social Workers Association.

• Prior to our lives changing with Covid, there was a lot of energy and work toward getting our 12-step Hospital Program established for Area 67, similar to the one currently being implemented in Western Washington (Area 72) and Central California (Area 72). We are staying in touch with the decision makers and looking forward to the time when the environment improves.

• The committee has begun an outreach initiative aimed at the Harris County and Fort Bend County Criminal Courts. The D.W.I. Courts established a program called S.O.B.E.R., which stands for Saving Ourselves by Education and Recovery. Our goal is to finds ways to cooperate and support their efforts and take the A.A. message of recovery to those working their way through the legal system.

• We are working with organizers of the Big Texas Rally for Recovery event which celebrates National Recovery Month in September.

We need your help:

The possibilities to carry the message by reaching out to professionals is nearly limitless. But we need people, lots of people. We need members, groups and districts to learn how to carry the message by being "Friendly with our Friends" as Bill liked to call it.

• If your District doesn't have a committee, consider starting one, and standing for its chair position

• Attend the Area CPC meeting, any AA member can attend and be a committee member, you do not have to have an elected position to join in.

So, join us: We meet the first Monday of each month at 7:30pm at the Spring Branch Memorial Club, or you can join via ZOOM, meeting ID: 632 634 860 (https://zoom.us/j/632634860).

For more information or to help, please contact us at " cpc@aa-seta.org

In Service,

Don P. – Chairperson, Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC) Committee, SETA (Area 67) Rosemary J. – Alternate Chairperson, Cooperation with Professional Community (CPC) Committee, SETA (Area 67) Finance – Ron S. Not Submitted.

Grapevine – Daryl Newly Elected

IT – Jorge F. Not Submitted.

La Viña – OPEN

Literature – Hilton L. Not Submitted

Multi-Lingual – Severiano M.

The Multilingual Committee is present at this SETA Assembly held on July 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 in which we have translators available to translate at this Assembly and a report will be prepare afterwards.

First of all, the Multilingual Committee would like to extend a sincere and warm welcome and we hope you are doing well in these 224 hours. We would like to inform you that the Multilingual Committee has been supporting our Delegate and his Alternate while they provide their reports. Our Delegate and his Alternate attended the Hispanic Texas State Assembly held in May 2022. We would like to thank them for their support and service for giving their report on the Conference to the attending GSRs and DCMs during their GSR meeting. Their report was translated to Spanish thanks to the service provided by Deborah D.B. and Yolanda L. We strive to provide better translation services. We bought new equipment for translations. We hope this will help to provide good translations to the GSRs and DCMs throughout the meetings in this SETA Assembly. We are grateful for your support and confidence provided to this SETA Multilingual Committee.

In Service

Severiano M.

Multilingual Committee Chair

#### Newsletter – Tracy W.

My name is Tracy W, District 32, Area 67, Newsletter Chair. My home group is the Safe Harbor group at Lord of Life Church, The Woodlands, TX. This is my first newsletter as I mentioned in the newsletter. You have probably noticed that it has been downsized a little. That's due to not having enough information that I needed at the time. As of now, the Newsletter Committee consist of Fernando B., Angela C., Monica and me.

I will say I had more help than that. I would like to thank Annette C., Deborah D., Allise B., Brad H. and Angela C. They all came out of nowhere towards the end. Thank you for your service. There really isn't much else to report, it's in the newsletter. With that being said: I'm already looking forward to the next newsletter with additional information. I have ideas that are floating around in my head, that I can't wait to put on paper. Volunteers are welcome to join!

Yours In Love and Service, Tracy W. Newsletter Chair

PI – Christi A. Not Submitted SCAP – Deborah M. Not Submitted

TFC – Kendall W. Not Submitted

Brazos Valley Intergroup – Lee R. No Report Submitted

Houston Intergroup – Joel G. Not Submitted

9<sup>th</sup> District Intergroup – Ray F. Not Submitted

Oficina Intergrupal Hispana (D63, 64, 65) – OPEN Intergrupa Hispano Del SW (D66 & 67) – OPEN

## **District Committee Member (DCM) Reports**

District 10 – OPEN

District 20 - George S.

District 20 is located in the beautiful crime-free Inner Loop west of Downtown Houston, south of I-10, east of the 610 West Loop and south through the Medical Center.

According to GSO, there are about 62 active groups in District 20. DCMs can register with GSO for the ability to access the GSO database online to download a report on the groups in their districts.

District 20 is continuing its GSR recruitment campaign. Officers and GSRs visit other groups, explain the benefits of having a GSR, and ask what District 20 can do for them. We talk to people in the groups about being a GSRs or a liaison to a SETA Committee, and we talk about the benefits of service to sobriety.

About half of all the groups in District 20 meet at Lambda Center. We are sponsoring a barbecue at Lambda in October to spread the message of service and to express our gratitude, as Lambda Center is the single largest contributor to District 20. We've found that we get a more receptive crowd when they're eating free food.

We're offering an online workshop on Service and the Concepts on Saturday, Aug. 28. We find we get more participants from throughout Area 67 when we offer our workshops virtually. We received very positive feedback from our previous workshop.

District 20 contributed \$500 to Houston Intergroup to support their recovery efforts Intergroup is holding an Open House on July 24, their last in their current location, as they're moving later this year.

District 20 continues to meet over Zoom through August, when we'll hear our Delegate, Kris H., present his delegate report on this year's General Service Conference. We're considering meeting in person starting in September.

The IT Committee presented training on G Suite/Google Workspace at our June meeting. Thank you, Susan and Brad, for your commitment of time and effort to explaining this new and improved online functionality.

Finally, District 20 has set up electronic contribution options through both Venmo and Zelle, so groups can skip "snail mail" and send their contributions directly to District 20 using their smartphones or web browsers.

#### District 31 – Cheryl M.

#### July 2021, SETA Assembly

Greetings from District 31! I'm Cheryl M., currently serving as the 2021-2022 District 31 DCM. Our district over 40 groups and we are located in the northeast corner of the Southeast Texas Area 67. We meet the third Sunday of every month from 2p m-4 pm at the 494meeting hall in Porter, Texas. We are continuing to hold our District meetings in a hybrid format (combined Zoom and in-person).

At our May District meeting, we were honored to have Kris give us the Delegates report on the General Service Conference. It was our first experience with a presentation over zoom and once we got through some minor audio issues it went well. Thank you, Kris, for the great presentation!

Now that many of our groups have now resumed meeting in-person we've started working on updating our District Meeting schedule and hope to get it published early next month. It's interesting to note that several of the meetings which are either hybrid or online-only are still reporting high attendance.

Finally, "channeling my inner Patty" can you say, "Workshop Workshop!!". I'm happy to report that our Alt DCM, Karon M, has put together our first workshop in over a year. It's a D31 Sponsor Workshop on Sponsorship hosted by the Lunch Bunch Group at the 494 Meeting Hall on August 7th from 2 P.M to 5 P.M. Karon has several more workshops in the planning stages and we're looking forward to them!

We continue to pray for the health and safety of all as we trudge the road of happy destiny.

In Loving Service, Cheryl M DCM District 31

District 32 – Marcia C. No report Submitted

District 33 – Allise B No Report Submitted

District 40 - Jackie S.

SETA assembly D40 DCM Report – July 2022

My name is Jackie S., and it is an honor to serve as DCM for <u>District 40</u>! I feel so blessed to serve alongside some great people!

We plan to continue meeting on Zoom for the remainder of 2021 and the Meeting ID and passcode are posted to our D40 SETA webpage. Our meeting time is the  $2^{nd}$  Tuesday of the month from 7:00 – 9:00 PM.

In April, there were still some GSRs that had not received their GSR Kits, so I invited Kathleen T., our Area Registrar to come and speak. She was available to answer any questions and gathered information to follow up with regarding the delayed GSR Kits. We decided to do the planning of the Virtual Traditions dinner during the district meeting so everyone could participate.

We were very fortunate to be able to schedule Kris H, to give his Delegate's Report during our virtual May District meeting! His visual aids were very helpful, he shared them on screen.

The Area IT Committee reached out to me, asking to come and do a G Suite training presentation. I scheduled them for the district meeting in June. It was quite extensive and I'm glad they stayed long enough to answer questions!

Here in District 40, it the responsibility of the Alt DCM to coordinate our annual Traditions Dinner. And Doug D. has done a great job! The event took place virtually and hybrid on June 26<sup>th</sup>. Kris H., our current Delegate and past D40 DCM gladly agreed to be our guest speaker sharing his experience, strength and hope on the Twelve Traditions. Our Committee Reps each presented briefly the purpose of the committee they represent plus the current projects the committees are working on. There were many book giveaways and many Grapevine subscription giveaways as well!

Our next district meeting is scheduled for this coming Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> when we will be welcoming Mike D., Area Archives Chair as our guest speaker.

I am grateful to be here today, I have missed everyone tremendously!

Jackie.s@aa-seta.org DCM D40

#### District 51 – Gordon W.

District 51 participation has been consistent the last few months. We now have four new GSRs and recently elected a new DCM, secretary and Treasurer. We have active in person and virtual groups in our district.

We still conduct hybrid face-to-face and virtual meetings. We meet on the last Saturday of the month at the Delta Club. Our July meeting will be held on the 24<sup>th</sup> of July in order to facilitate a report from our Committee Member.

The 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> step workshop that we had planned for July has been moved to September 11 or 18<sup>th</sup> pending a vote at our District Meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Venue is still to be determined.

In Service, Gordon White

#### District 52 – Chris G.

Hi, I'm Chris Gurecky, DCM reporting for District 52.

Our District meetings are held every 1st Tuesday of the month at the Ft Bend Regional Council in Stafford, TX. For those who wish to continue their virtual attendance, we provide this as a Hybrid Meeting utilizing Google Meet. For the past 2 months we are seeing a 60/40 to 50/50 ratio attending virtually vs In-person.

At this time only two(2) District positions still remain open: CFC & TFC. Although these remain open, several of our District Groups and Group Members remain very active in these areas, bringing AA meetings and Literature into our local Treatment and Corrections Facilities that have re-opened....AND they stand ready for those facilities which are planning to re-open! Also, during my group visits, a few members have expressed interest in reviving BTG activities and resources.

District 52 has made "some headway" to increase service participation at the District Level and Group Level. At the time of my April report, we only had one(1) active GSR. We now have three(3)! The district now has an IT Liaison, who also works with the SETA IT group. Three(3) groups in our District have reopened in-person meetings, one(1) of which resumed as a Hybrid Meeting. From our District Group visits and contacts, we are seeing GC activities increase, even though many are struggling. Of course, we plan to visit and contact more Groups in our District (both on and off the Radar) as we identify them.

Meeting Activity:

For our May Meeting - the Area's IT Group provided G-Workspace training, Susan W. virtually				
	and Brad H. in-person.			
At our June Meeting	- Kris H. virtually presented the Delegate's Report of the GSC Activities			
	and Results. Rick M. also attended.			
During our July Mtg	- we resumed our focus on initiatives to "nurture" Service Participation at			
	the Group Level and the District Level. The idea of "Hosting a Workshop"			
	was raised and will become New Business at our August Meeting.			

Again, I must mention how blessed I am.... to have such a great panel of Officers and Committee Chairpersons. They continue to "step up" with remarkable enthusiasm. The SETA IT Group "Really Rocks" too! Their Hard Work, Dedication, and Passion to Help is very inspiring.

Respectfully submitted to my Friends in Service,

Christopher Gurecky DCM, District 52

District 60 – Open

District 62 – Ricardo D. None Submitted

**District 63** – Ricardo R. 4800 West 34<sup>th</sup> St., Suite B-8, Houston, TX 77092

Dear colleagues in anonymous alcoholics, we hope you are enjoying happy 24 hours of sobriety. The 63<sup>rd</sup> District has 11 groups, the have the correctional committees, La Vina literature. We section every Saturday from 6:00pm onwards. Every Tuesday, the District shares its corresponding group as a geographical area. We are motivating the groups to release their new RSG since ti is a year of elections as well. The district has an agreement to contribute \$50 to the Area quarterly and we had the presence of the Area Delegate on July 2, 2022, and then you very much in advance.

Happy 24 sobriety,

MCD Ricardo R. 832.859.1459 Alt MCD Juan D. 832.889.5418

**District 64** – Arturo B. 1215 Aldine Bender Suite 110-111, Houston, Tx 77032

Our District has 17 groups of which 8 to 12 groups are present. We meet every Saturday at 6:00 pm with the table, committees, and general service representatives. We have meeting studio of the service manual cad 15 days. We share the groups of our area on Thursdays every week, we also share with any group of the Houston area as long as we are invited.

Our District 64 has the committees of La Vina. Literature and Correctional Facilities with which we meet on Tuesdays cad 15 days. We are making the request for the Hispanic convention of the United States and Canada for the next year 2023. We are also working with the South Texas Assembly to be held on November 11, 12 and 13 in South Padre Island, TX. With the collaboration of the districts of the area, we attend area 67 Assemblies every three months.

Kind regards:

MCD: Arturo B. 832.275.5881

ALT MCD: Marco L. 281.881.3458

**District 65** – Henriquez G. 1721 South Houston Road, Houston, Tx 77032

This is your report we meet every Saturday from 6pm onwards and it will be changed if that next event like a meeting of the are ho assembly Hispanic.

This District has three committees.

La Vina, Literature, and corrections.

We have 15 groups 12 have RSG and 9 alternate

It also informs that on August 28, 2022, District 65 will be celebrating its 37th Anniversary from 10:00 am onwards at the district premises.

Possibly at the next meeting we will present our new MCD AND RSG servers.

Thank you for your attention,

Happy 24 Hours

MCD Henriques G. El Alterno, Isidro G.

District 66 – Armando A None Submitted

District 70 – Deborah T.

• District 70 meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm for our monthly business meetings.

• Our first face to face meeting was held in May at Kelly's Restaurant in Pasadena, Texas. We have food and fellowship at 6pm and the meeting starts at 7pm.

• We have been using zoom; however, July will be our last month to use zoom. It is my hope that discontinuing zoom will encourage more people to participate in the monthly meeting in person.

• District 70 hosts a guest speaker each month at our business meeting. Our August guest speaker will be our delegate. We are excited to hear about the 2021 General Service Conference.

• District 70 continues to give away \$40.00 per month in literature based on voting member attendance

from the prior month. Drawing held monthly. This gives away promotes attendance and supports

Houston Intergroup.

• Last Call, our fantastic newsletter grew to 2 pages in June is full of vital district, area, group, and state

information. You can view our monthly newsletter on our District 70 webpage.

• District 70 is presenting our summer workshop, Make and Keep Your Group Strong, on July 24<sup>th</sup> at the Camel Lodge in Pasadena, Texas from 2:00 to 4:30pm. Presentations and roundtable discussions will cover: What is an informed group conscious and why is this important? Christiana S. Area 67 Chair

presenting; How to incorporate the 3 legacies into group activities, Troy D. past delegate presenting and best practices for chairing and participating in meetings – Jeff B. presenting.

• District 70 still needs a Treasurer and alternate, and alternate Secretary.

• District 70 has the following committee chair positions open; CFC, TFC, Finance and Budget, Grapevine, Literature, TFC, Archives, Intergroup Liaison and PI/CPC.

• As DCM I continue visit all the meetings in my District and ask for an invitation to their group conscious to make a presentation on district 70 and get contact information for the group to add to our registrar list.

Challenges in reaching out to all our groups have been:

• Many groups in District have shut down permanently, are only meeting via zoom, or are struggling to

stay open due to loss of attendance during COVID.

• Many groups that are active do not have scheduled group conscious meetings and some groups do not

believe in electing GSR's and do not participate in District or Area.

- Attendance at District 70 meetings is low
- Participation in District 70 by GSR's and alternates has diminished since January
- District 70 still has many open positions within our district

#### District 81 – Veronica M., <u>Veronica.me@aa-seta.org</u> / 409-996-3099

Hello,

My name is Veronica, and I am an Alcoholic. I am grateful to serve District 81 as their DCM. My Alt DCM is Keith M. and he, along with the rest of our district officers have been so very helpful and supportive as I continue to grow in my new service position to better serve our district and A.A. as a whole.

Our district began meeting both in person and on Zoom back in May of 2021. We meet at Kelly's Country Cooking on the first Wednesday of the month from 7-9pm and to include those who are not ready to return to face-to-face meetings we include a Zoom meeting. It can be a little challenging at times, but we have all contributed to make it work. However, our Zoom attendance was very low at our meeting this month, so we may soon begin to conduct only in person meetings should our District choose to go in that direction.

Our district committees have been meeting regularly and have been keeping all our GSR's informed. Our Treatment Facilities have been reaching out to local treatment centers and have had a few opportunities to conduct Zoom presentations. They are planning for a future workshop scheduled for Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, more information to follow as they continue to build the workshop with speakers, pamphlets and presentations. Our PI/CPC has a new committee chair – Tim L., who gave the committee's report this week. The committee is very busy with PSA initiatives on the Billboard's and magazines, distributing big books, 12 & 12's and laminated meeting schedules. Our CFC committee has also been busy reaching out to the Chaplain at the Carol Young Unit in hopes of restarting meetings there by the end of this month – they are awaiting the Chaplains response and approval. We have new Grapevine and Newsletter committee chairs well, they are also getting busy gathering information, becoming familiar with their job descriptions and we are looking forward to good things from them. Archives still meets regularly at the Alvin facility and currently have lots of new material to share.

Last weekend, our past DCM – Catherine G. and her Workshop Committee hosted a fabulous workshop at a local church in Santa Fe – "The Books Behind the Big Book" presented by the Northern New Jersey Intergroup and Archives Committee. They are currently working on their next workshop – "Emotional Sobriety" ... more information to follow soon.

Lastly, our F&B committee worked very hard to help our committees increase their budget as they are going to need the funds for future workshops now that we are all gathering face to face again.

Again, I am very grateful for the opportunity to serve. God bless and I pray all of you remain safe, happy, joyous and free.

Yours in Service,

Veronica Mendez – District 81 DCM

#### District 90 – Art G.

Thank all my Committee Chairs, Alternates and GSRs that serve D-90

#### Update through our July meeting

- We are meeting in person with attendance averaging over 40 and as high as 50
- All Chair Positions are filled / still need one or two Alternate positions
- D-90 Convention Committee has all positions filled
  - o Donna & Committee are here this weekend Registering for Convention (Aug 20-22)
- Energy around the District is very High / all Groups are up and running
  - $\circ$  75 85 % of our meeting schedules have returned to normal
  - o Numerous Group Anniversaries are taking place along with Birthday meetings
- Gratitude Dinner Committee / Dinner date and details TBA soon
- D-90 2022 budget was proposed in May / Discussed and passed in our July meeting
  - o 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition contributions are up / financially D-90 is in Great shape
  - Workshops are heating up with lots of activity
    - We have performed one Group Inventory / with a second one on the Schedule (July 31)

- We have had one Chairperson workshop
- We have done one 12 step workshop with two more on the schedule (July 17)
- Tradition Workshop set for Sept 11 (lunch provided)
- All committees are Active and really getting INTO ACTION

I'm Excited about our opportunity to interact with the other Districts within our Area

We are at a place and time when AA has been re-charged the Energy & Excitement are at an ALL time high for our District

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to Serve Art Garza D-90 DCM

Area Committee Roll	Call July 202	2	
Position	Short Name	Committee	Assembly
Area Office	Г		
Delegate	Kris H	x	x
Alternate Delegate	Rick M	x	x
Chairperson	Christina S	x	×
Alternate Chairperson	Bella L	×	x
Registrar	Kathleen T	×	×
Alternate Registrar	Pam F	×	×
Secretary	Meece T	x	×
Alternate Secretary	Chelsey G	x	
Treasurer	Reino F	x	×
Alternate Treasurer	Roy E	×	x
Standing Committee C	hairpersons		
Archives	Mike D		
Alternate Archives	Mike B	×	×
CPC	Don P		
Alternate CPC	Michael G	x	
CFC	Roland R		
Alternate CFC	Tony W		
Finance	Ron S	x	x
Alternate Finance			
Grapevine			
Alternate Grapevine	Gary S	x	x
π	Jorge F	x	x
Alternate IT			
La Vina			
Alternate La Vina			
Literature	Hilton L	x	x
Alternate Literature	Dan K	x	
Multi-Lingual	Severiano M		x
Alternate Multi-Lingual			~
Newsletter	Tracy W	x	x
Alternate Newsletter	Fernando B	x	×
Public Information (PI)	Kristi A	^	~
Alternate PI			
	Debereb M		
	Deborah M		
Alternate SCAP			~
TFC	Kendyl W	X	×
Alternate TFC	Don M	×	×
Convention Cl			~
2023 Convention Chair	Annette C.	X	×
2023 Convention Co-Chair			
2025 State Convention Chair	Ron C.		
2025 State Convention Co-Chair			
Liaisons to Inter			
Brazos Valley Intergroup	Rachel S		
Houston Intergroup	Joel G		
	Ray F	x	х
Ninth District Intergroup			
Ninth District Intergroup Ninth District Intergroup Alternate			

DCMs			
District 10 DCM			
District 10 Alt DCM			
District 20 DCM	George S		
District 20 Alt DCM	Sarah L		x
District 31 DCM	Cheryl M	x	X
District 31 Alt DCM	Karon M	x	X
District 32 DCM	Marcia C	x	x
District 32 Alt DCM	Jeanne B		
District 33 DCM	Allise B	x	x
District 33 Alt DCM	Tony A	x	X
District 40 DCM	Jackie S	x	x
District 40 Alt DCM	Doug D	x	x
District 51 DCM	Gordon W		
District 51 Alt DCM	Stephen W		
District 52 DCM	Chris G	x	X
District 52 Alt DCM	Ricardo D		
District 60 DCM			
District 60 Alt DCM			
District 62 DCM	Ricardo D	x	
District 62 Alt DCM			
District 63 DCM	Ricardo R		Х
District 63 Alt DCM	Juan L	x	Х
District 64 DCM	Arturo B		Х
District 64 Alt DCM	Marco L		Х
District 65 DCM	Henrique G	x	Х
District 65 Alt DCM	lsidro G		
District 66 DCM	Armando A		Х
District 66 Alt DCM	Rogelo D		X
District 70 DCM	Deborah T	x	
District 70 Alt DCM	Lanier Y		
District 81 DCM	Keith M	x	Х
District 81 Alt DCM	Danny G		
District 82 DCM	Terry C		Х
District 82 Alt DCM			
District 90 DCM	Art G	x	X
District 90 Alt DCM	Julian L		