Southeast Texas Area Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous



4th Quarter Assembly Minutes Saturday & Sunday October 1-2, 2022

Hybrid (via Zoom and in-person)Meeting* Double Tree Hotel Houston Intercontinental Airport 15747 John F. Kennedy 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, October 1, 2022 (AM)

Open of Area Committee Meeting – Christina S.

- Welcomed everyone
- Opened meeting with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer

Preamble to SETA Policies and Procedures Manual - Bella L.

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Secretary's Minutes - Meece' T.

- July 2022 English minutes were approved as corrected
 - o Roster updated
- July Spanish minutes tabled for translation

Treasurer's Report – Reino F.

New BUSINESS

Motion to Purchase Interpreter Vests – Passed by majority vote Updated Job Descriptions – Passed by Majority Vote Sense of the Area Committee Ad hoc Recommendation 1 – Approved Sense of the Area Committee Ad hoc Recommendation 2 – Approved Sense of the Area Committee Ad hoc Recommendation 3 – Approved.

Motion to Purchase Interpreter Vests From: SETA Multilingual Committee

Don E. Pam F.

<u>Background</u>: 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 interpreters present. It is recommended that these vests would be recycled for use at any area event where there is a call for multilingual interpreters 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 below pictured - Interpreter Vests.

<u>Motion</u>: We motion that the Multilingual Committee purchase five Spanish interpreter vests, one French interpreter vest and two American Sign Language interpreter vests not to exceed \$900.

Recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Area Committee

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. In the course of 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.

<u>Recommendation 1</u> – 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 will meet prior to the Assembly to set the agenda for the entire Assembly weekend.

- 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.

<u>Recommendation 2</u> – 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).

<u>Recommendation 3</u> – 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 assignment assistance for GSRs who have not yet selected a service committee (if a committee has been selected, no assignment is necessary).
- Reintroduce Literature in the GSR workshops; and
- Reintegrate the English and Spanish GSR training Workshops (unless it proves to be too cumbersome).

Announcements - Bella L.

Close Meeting – Responsibility Statement

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- See Page 16-17 for table of Area Committee Roll Call

2023 SETA Convention Update
Area Committee Ad hoc
• Sense of the Area Recommendation 1 – 52 in favor and 8 opposed
 Sense of the Area Recommendation 2 – 58 in favor
 Sense of the Area Recommendation 3 – 53 in favor and 9 opposed
Motion to purchase interpreter vests – 57 in favor 5 opposed
Policies and Procedures Ad hoc
Job Description Ad hoc
Area Inventory Ad hoc
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Annette C. Melissa R.

Taylor C. Ron C. Pam F. Troy B.D.

Announcements - Bella L.

Close Meeting – Responsibility Statement

Area Assembly Meeting & Elections Sunday, October 2, 2022

Open of Area Committee Meeting – Christina S.

- Welcomed everyone
- 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

Alternate Delegate's Report – Rick M.

Good morning, SETA. My name is Rick, I am alcoholic and currently serving as your Alternate Delegate for Panel 71. It is finally time for SWRAASA (Southwest Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly). It will start next Friday evening at 6:30 PM in Tulsa Oklahoma. I hope as many of you as possible are planning to attend. We have not been able to hold a SWRAASA since 2018 for reasons everyone is aware of. SWRAASA is a great event with presentations on virtually every service position in AA, presentations on Concepts, Service Committees, AA history, and many other topics.

Shortly, we will begin our elections to elect our Panel 73 trusted servants. If you are a voting member of this Assembly, I have two requests of you. Number one, if you meet the eligibility requirements for a position, including Delegate and the officers, please stand for it. Let your Higher Power decide where you are needed to serve. Secondly, please stick with the process until we have filled the last position on the board today. Typically, after we have elected the officers, voters begin to trickle out of the ballroom and the number of votes cast begin to decline. I would humbly suggest that the last position we fill today is at least as important as the first, possibly more so. It will be a very full day today. We only do this once every two years. After all that we have each received from AA, can't we commit one day to the important task that we have before us today?

Thank you for this opportunity to serve Area 67.

In love and service,

Rick M.

Delegate's Report – Kris H.

Greetings,

Nearly twenty years ago, I wasn't exactly thrilled when my sponsor helped me see that my problems were and always had been pretty much of my own making. It's a lesson that I sometimes lose sight of, but which always seems to come roaring back. Just when I thought I was about done with this gig, I received an email from the PI desk (who you all know as Patrick) saying that all Delegates were going to act as facilitators for the 2022 Membership Survey. I vaguely remembered reading the background on that item and voting on an advisory action regarding it, but much like the Equitable Distribution of Workload item from the year before, it didn't occur to me that there would be consequences. After five iterations, GSO was finally able to "randomly" select ten active groups in

our Area to participate. There was a fair bit of grumbling amongst the Delegates, but I believe that we all realized that back in April, it was something everyone was in favor of doing, so we've proceeded to roll up our sleeves and get it done. If any of you are interested in the detailed methodology, it can be found in the Public Information background material for the 72nd General Service Conference. I will not pretend to care to understand all of the statistical mumbo jumbo, but I will tell you that of the 10 groups from our Area, one is virtual, 2 are Spanish, 1 is a Men's meeting and the other 6 are regular meetings scattered across the Area. Interestingly, each group was given the choice to participate in the 19-question survey via paper or digitally, and all but one group chose the digital option. The fact that it took 5 attempts to locate 10 active groups in Area 67 leads me to conclude that there is some work to do in our various Districts to weed out the groups that went inactive over the last couple of years (one of the people I contacted because they were listed as GSR, told me that the group had not met in over 10 years...).

A couple weeks ago, I forwarded you all a list of 97 proposed agenda items. I didn't read things too closely, so I assumed that was all there were and with the duplication, the workload didn't seem like it was going to be too overwhelming for Panel 73. Since then, it came to my attention that those 97 were only the ones that were fully translated into all three languages. There are actually 180 total proposed items, and the balance became available late Friday when translation was completed. I forwarded the whole package via SETA-announce as soon as I received them. I think the decision to handle the release that way is very much in the spirit of the Advisory Action that was passed this year regarding the simultaneous distribution of conference background material in all 3 languages. This by far is from my perspective the most meaningful thing to come out of my stint as Delegate. A tangible result of that advisory action is that GSO is establishing a Translation Department with a manager and two full-time translators. The annual budget for that is \$300k but has the potential to save \$200k/year in outsourced translation costs.

As of now, I only have one District report-out left to do, and it is scheduled for this Wednesday. By now, you should all be aware that the Final Conference Report is posted on my webpage, and although we were originally warned that it would be December or January before the printed reports would be shipped, we have since been told that they should ship at the end of October. I will work with the DCMs to try to get those distributed in a timely manner.

Next weekend, I hope to see you all in Tulsa. I will be letting you all see how little I know about Safety in AA. That's really not a topic I would've jumped on, but there does seem to be a lot of stuff about it that I can plagiarize. For some strange reason, Reino agreed to spend 8 hours in a car with me. I will do my best to not be offended if he decides to fly back.

This may very well be the last time that I address the Assembly from the podium. I am grateful that you gave me the opportunity to serve as your Delegate. This rotation has had its ups and downs. My thoughts and prayers continue to go out to those who have also experienced the loss of loved ones. For my part, I'm ever grateful that through my involvement with you, I am able to have wonderful relationships with the people I love most in the world but had all but lost through my drinking. I've watched my wife thrive since she took a step back from Area Service, and I'm very ready to join her in this next chapter of our life.

I feel generally optimistic about the future, both for AA and for me and my family. Those of you who continue along the path of service, I wish you patience, courage and kindness.

In service,

Kris Hartmann, P71/A67 Southeast Texas

Area Committee Roll Call – Kathleen T.

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Close Meeting – Responsibility Statement

Service Committee Reports

2023 SETA Convention – Annette C.

Archives – Mike D.

Since the last assembly in July, we have provided displays for the convention in District 90, August 19-21, and the District

70 picnic in September. We were present at the Open House for Intergroup in September as well as a permanent display for them.

We are working with IT with our Google Workspace accounts and drives and Google Meet. Discussed reorganizing the Repository Space and digitizing the archives to store on Google Workspace.

Mike, Archives Chair

CFC – Roland R.

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 7:30PM at Intergroup 5151 Mitchell Dale suite B10, Houston, TX 77092 I want to thank Area 67 this Assembly for allowing me to be of service. A special thanks to the committee that I worked with this past two years, the volunteers and especially the Spanish districts. We held an election for the coming SETA CFC chair during our last meeting. Tony W. was elected chair. We had our Conference September 9th-11th. TDCJ came out and did training to become an approved volunteer to carry A.A. message behind the walls. Great weekend. We met the new Division Director. He said if we needed assistance contact him. We have and we'll be starting at the Hightower, Plane State, Henley units this month, October.

Upcoming Events:

Walls Unit Anniversary October 15th North Texas Conference October 15th

Pack Unit Anniversary October 30th

Love and Service, Roland R.

6th National Correction Conference November 11th-13th Chicago SETA Conference January 13th-15th Beaumont

CPC – Don P. – NO REPORT

Finance - Ron S. - NO REPORT

Grapevine – Daryl W.

Introduction – My name is Darryl, and I am an alcoholic. I am happy to serve as the chair of the area Grapevine committee.

Grapevine Statement of Purpose - This committee coordinates the work of individual AA members, groups, and districts to read, subscribe to, and utilize the Grapevine and Grapevine-produced materials. It also encourages individual AA members to contribute written, digital and audio material to the Grapevine for publications.

Past Activities – In July of 2022, this committee hit the ground running. We set up a display table at the July assembly and got several members to subscribe to the Grapevine. I want to thank those members who worked hard during the last group. On July 23, 2022, this committee did a Grapevine presentation at the district 40 Traditions Dinner, which had about 140 participants, and we could give away a Grapevine subscription. On August 10, 2022, the SETA Area 67 Grapevine committee presented to district 70 at their monthly business meeting. Our committee meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7 pm on zoom.

Committee Future Plans – To carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers through all forms of Grapevine media. To increase the number of subscriptions purchased in Area 67. Another objective is to support Grapevine Inc by giving our input concerning the new app that is being developed. Also, we would like to add an IT Liaison rep to our committee. So, if anyone is interested in serving in this capacity or wants to join the committee, please get with us after the meeting. Another of our objectives is to give away more digital and audio products and to meet the needs of all of our members, which involves doing more area-wide workshops and increasing our visibility in the area.

Grapevine Giveaways – Three subscriptions are to be given away now.

In service,

Darryl W. Chair SETA Area 67 Grapevine

IT – Jorge F. – NO REPORT

La Viña – OPEN – NO REPORT

Literature – Hilton L.

The purpose of the literature committee is to raise the awareness for AA conference-approved literature, audiovisual, and other special items. The committee meets online via Zoom on the third Tuesday of the month at 8:30 pm. Please let us know if you would like more info on how to visit us. All area committee chairpersons are available through the aa-seta.org website. Please pick a committee that catches your interest and be of service to AA. Our emphasis this rotation has been on the development of and creating awareness for a pamphlet packet. This is a collection of ten pamphlets that we voted on that could be presented in various ways at an AA meeting. We are giving these away for free to those who are interested. Please stop by the literature display table for more on how these pamphlets are used. Our aim going forward is to maintain this project. We hope to come up with more ideas on how many pamphlets in each one, what the content would be, and other ways to improve this literary tool. Reviewing input from AA members will be of value in making changes, so let us know what you think. We will be discussing the packet in the hybrid committee meeting at 4:30 in the Dallas Room.

Multi-Lingual – Severiano M.

The Multilingual Committee is present at the SETA Assembly held on October 1st and 2nd, 2022, where we have translators available at this Assembly.

We would like to inform you that the Multilingual Committee has been supporting our Delegate and his Alternate while they provide their reports in the Districts and Intergroups:

- On June 11, 2022, the Multilingual Committee was present at District 64 to support our Delegate Kris H. and Alternate Delegate Rick M. when the Conference report was relayed. It was translated by Deborah D.
- On July 2, 2022, the Multilingual Committee was present at District 63 where Deborah D. and Cristian S. did translation for the report relayed by Delegate Kris H. and Alternate Delegate, Rick M.
- On July 16, 2022, the Multilingual Committee was present at District 65 to support our Delegate Kris H. and Alternate Delegate Rick M. while they relayed their report. The translation was done by Cristian.
- Also, on July 23, 2022, the Multilingual Committee was present at District 66 to support our Delegate Kris H. and Alternate Delegate Rick M. while they relayed their report. Translation was done by Severiano M.
- On August 17, 2022, the Multilingual Committee was present at the Interdistrict meeting held at District 63. A report was relayed on how the Multilingual Committee is working at the SETA Assemblies. The next interdistrict meeting will be held on October 12, 2022.

We continue to offer the best translation possible to our GSRs and DCMs at the SETA Assemblies.

We are grateful and appreciate your support provided to the SETA Multilingual Committee

With confidence and affection, Severiano M., Multilingual Committee Chairperson

Newsletter – Tracy W.

We are on our fourth quarter of the year, my second quarter as Newsletter Chair.

I might have gone a little overboard with QR codes on this newsletter but, we are in the election quarter. I am looking forward to meeting all newly elected officers and committee members and learning what can be added to our newsletter in the future.

In Love and Service, Tracy Wilson <u>Tracy.w@aa-seta.org</u> PI – Christi A. – NO REPORT

SCAP – Deborah M. – NO REPORT

Brazos Valley Intergroup – Rachel S. – NO REPORT

Houston Intergroup – Joel G. – NO REPORT

TFC – Kendyl W. – NO REPORT

9th District Intergroup – Ray F. – NO REPORT

Oficina Intergrupal Hispana (D63, 64, 65) – Dimas S. 4800 West 34th Street, Suite C-5, Houston, TX 77092 <u>www.aaoficinaintegrupalhouston.org</u> Tel: 713-683-9277

Meetings for G.S.R.s and Committees are every Saturday from 6:00pm – 8:00pm., these meetings are only changed when there is an Area Assembly or Hispanic Assembly.

The Twelve Steps Committee – Works by taking calls of people asking for information about meetings of Alcoholic Anonymous groups. We give them information about groups closest to their area, about 2-3 groups. We have a phone line that is rotated around by members of the committee. Hotline: 281.727.6648

Message to Women Committee – This committee has a phone line where women request information about what is Alcoholic Anonymous. They provide the interested person with information of the closest groups to their area. Ph: 281.794.3294

Media and Public Relations Committee – They currently share every Friday on Radio Maria (a local Catholic radio station) in which they give us an hour from 5-6pm. Phone: 936.644.0688/Phone: 346.561.3893/Phone: 713.815.0792

Archive Committee – This committee is in charge of maintaining the information for the bulletin "Transmittal" up to date, updates the directories of the Houston area groups and Alcoholic Anonymous events.

Special Events Committee – This committee is in charge of collecting funds for events related with A.A.

Treatment Committees – This committee goes every Friday from 6:00pm-8:00p to Iglesia Catolica San Patricio located at 4810 Moody St., Houston, TX 77009. Tel: 832.54.0479

Us that are part of the Integrupal Office want to say thank you to our fellow group member Deborah for participating in the Policy Workshop for the Area on July 30th.

Thank you for your time to listen to our report.

Intergrupo Hispano Del SW (D66 & 67) – OPEN – NO REPORT

District Committee Member (DCM) Reports

District 10 – OPEN – NO REPORT

District 20 – George S. – NO REPORT

District 31 – Cheryl M.

Greetings from District 31! I'm Cheryl McCurdy, currently serving as the District 31 DCM.

Our District is in the northeast corner of the Southeast Texas Area 67. We meet the third Sunday of every month from 2-4pm at the 494-meeting hall in Porter. We are continuing to hold our District meetings in a hybrid format. We have noted that our in-person attendance has been going back up and our zoom attendance has been declining.

In September we held trusted servant elections for the 23–24 term, filling most of our positions.

We used 3rd legacy voting, and it was really exciting seeing the whole process in action as our Treasurer was drawn from the hat. We still have the Grapevine, Literature and PI positions open but hope to have them filled before the start of the new term in January.

It's that time again. Workshop!! Workshop!!

We are having a "What is an informed Group Conscience" workshop on October 22, 2:00 pm until 5:00 pm at the Atascocita Group. We have two past delegates leading the workshop and would love to see you all there.

District 31 is your host district for this assembly, and I wanted to express my gratitude to our district members for all their work on this. I had knee surgery at the beginning of September, and the recovery has been more difficult than I anticipated. So, I haven't been able to do much on the hosting responsibilities. But my district groups and members stepped up and got it done with very little help from me. A very special thanks to Patty H who led the Hospitality Committee (and kept me from panicking as the Assembly got close!) I also like to thank Taylor C stepping up to present the GSR workshop. And last, but not least, thanks to all our District groups and members who gave their time and money helping with the hosting.

In Loving Service, Cheryl M

District 32 - Marcia C. - NO REPORT

District 33 – Allise B.

I'm very happy to report that we had a good turnout for elections and have a great crew for next rotation! Tony A. will be our new DCM and Cody R. the new Alternate. Ray N. will continue as our able Treasurer joined by Julie S. from my home group as Alternate. Josh W., whom many of you know from his service as my group's GSR this rotation will be our new Secretary, aided by Kimie W. as Alternate. We also elected chairs for Archives, CFC, CPC/PI, TFC, and our Intergroup Rep, and we already had our Unity Conference Chair and Alt.

I am even happier to report that we have at 15-20 people going to SWRAASA next weekend! Most of us will be going together from the Brazos Club on Friday morning with a few others to follow. We know that we'll learn a lot while having a good time and we look forward to the extra service enthusiasm we'll bring back with us. A few of the people going with us don't currently hold positions, so we're hopeful we'll have some more filled shortly.

We have continued our 5-minute speakers on the Tradition & Concept of the month, and I want to thank again our Past Delegates, Paul M., Deborah D. & Jon S.; our Chairperson, Christina J.; a past DCM from SWTA, Roger B. And I'll thank Bella in advance for next month. I want to extend extra appreciation to Jon for driving over to D33, explaining Third Legacy procedure and conducting our elections last month.

We have an ad hoc committee looking into whether we should change the date and time of our meeting from Saturday at 1pm and whether we should become an eating meeting because the districts with the most participation appear to be those fellowshipping before or after the meeting. The vote passed $\frac{2}{3}$ by a margin of only one last month, so they are recommissioned to poll the GSRs further on which night and time would be best for them after we figured out that Thursday night was a conflict with some single-night groups who participate. We will take it up again next month and hope for widespread consensus.

We have begun a text blast service for District announcements to remind people of the district mtg and other important events like the Alcohol last weekend.

Since my last report, I've enjoyed the Convention in Beaumont–they were great hosts—with great speakers, and I've presented at The National AA Technology Workshop (NAATW) in Seattle on Literature Translation and Meeting Interpretation Technology. It, too, was a great conference and I enjoyed meeting new friends as well as friends I've known on Zoom for a while now at both. I've also spoken in Barcelona about the mistranslation of El Libro Grande, Deborah D. & I presented a workshop at the Spanish Intergroup a week ago today, and I spoke in DC last night about what Tradition 2 & Concept 2 tell us about the way we act when an Agenda Item doesn't go our way.

Now that I've successfully completed my time on the Area P&P ad hoc committee, I'm appointing one to look at our District P&P because I've discovered some of the same omissions Paul mentioned this morning: no suggested sobriety minimums for Unity Conference Committee Chairs, etc.

In love & service, Allise B.

District 40 - Jackie S.

My name is Jackie S., and I am currently serving as DCM for District 40!

D40 plans to continue meeting on Zoom for the remainder of 2022. The Meeting ID and passcode are posted on our D40 SETA webpage. Our meeting time is the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 7:00 – 9:00 PM.

A recap of district business and other interesting items since our last area assembly is as follows;

Lisa A. currently serving as Secretary for D52 was our guest speaker in July. She gave us a 10-minute presentation on, "How to make a Service Committee Display Board for under \$50.00". This presentation proved its value when we saw the beautiful display boards created by some of our service committee reps at our Traditions Dinner later in the month.

The district 40 annual Traditions Dinner was coordinated by Doug D our Alt DCM. There were approximately 140 attendees. Hamburgers, hotdogs, salads and a variety of desserts filled our tummies while we listened to Ron C. share his experience as Past Delegate. He explained that they utilized the Twelve Traditions in his GSC committee while they discussed what to do about the publisher's copy of our beloved big book. There were many districts 40 volunteers and groups working very hard to put this event together. I am very grateful how it all came together so well!

Our July meeting was monumental for District 40 because we received a Proposed Agenda Item which I cannot remember ever receiving one for the past 8 years that I have been attending District 40 meetings. After everyone had the necessary time to ask questions and it was very clear as to what we were voting on, the vote was unanimous for the following.

"We are 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."

This Proposed Agenda Item was submitted to us by Farah E., GSR for the So Far So Good group. Also, during GSR sharing, Farah showed interest in having the District Committee Reps take turns giving presentations at her home group. We had three new GSRs this month!

August brought us a new IT Committee Rep, Peggy A., which filled our last opening of our current D40 service positions. As our meeting attendance increases, we found new accessibility issues. We passed a motion stating, "Alt DCM shall act as Chat Moderator for all District 40 meetings." For those who wish not to unmute and speak out loud. We also passed a motion stating that in 2023, District 40 will, "Continue with virtual meeting in Google Meet. Move toward a Hybrid meeting and look at a budget for equipment while actively seeking a location for meeting." We are excited to announce that Fernando B is now including a QR code to access the latest copy of the district 40 newsletter to cut down on printing and make it easily read digitally. We had two new GSRs this month!

During the September GSR sharing, Farah E. announced that her home group passed a motion to submit a Proposed Agenda Item to the GSC Committee regarding, "A.A. accepting Google grants..." Then we went right into D40 Elections. Doug D., Alt DCM coordinated the Elections and asked Rick M., Alt Delegate, to facilitate them. Doug D. was elected as incoming DCM and Mike B. was elected as Incoming Alt DCM. Theresa S. was elected as Secretary and Ronnie H. was elected as Treasurer. The remaining incoming servants that were elected that night will be listed in the district 40 newsletter. Five of the committee rep positions are still open for 2023. The motion submitted by Farah E. requesting a District Inventory will be pushed to October business due to the September meeting running into overtime. The call for incoming servants to volunteer for the 2023 Hybrid Meeting Ad Hoc Committee was also pushed to October. We had one new GSR this month! And several visitors!

I am grateful to be here today! Best Wishes!

Jackie.s@aa-seta.org

District 51 – Gordon W. – NO REPORT

District 52 – Chris G.

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 attend virtually, we provide this as a Hybrid Meeting utilizing Google Meet. Our attendance runs approximately a 60/40 ratio of those attending in-person vs those attending virtually.

District 52 Group Members remain very active to bring AA Meetings and Literature into our local Treatment and Corrections Facilities. We are coordinating resources with District 40 to bring meetings into these facilities. D52 is still trying to implement the BTG Cooperation with the 5 Treatment Facilities in our District:

- As I mentioned at the July Assembly, the Springwood Recovery moved to D40, the Spring Branch Area of Houston.
- We have a New Treatment Facility in our District wanting AA meetings brought in 2/days per week to start. Named "The Presidio, Health and Counseling" has actually moved into the same facility that Springwood Recovery vacated. In particular, the population of this facility is, by and large, mostly dual-diagnosed with Mental Health & Substance Abuse, **so we ought to fit in pretty well there!**

We have been giving BTG much of our attention, educating and providing our group members (members that are taking AA Meetings inside the Facilities), with BTG Request Information and Local Meeting Information to distribute directly to Treatment Facility clients especially clients nearing their discharge date.

District 52 is still focused on increasing service participation at the District Level and Group Level.

District 52 co-hosted a workshop in early September with Tri-Cities Group titled: *Working with Others*. The main speaker was Art G., who kept us on the edge of our seats with an expanded view of Sponsorship. At our District meeting this coming Tuesday, we will discuss co-sponsoring another workshop, which is already in the works, at the Rose Rich Group called "Enhancing your Sobriety by Living the 3 Legacies" with Art G, again as the presenter. (Now there's an opportunity to make a push for Unity and Service Work)! Come see me for information or check your SETA-Announce in the near future.

Grapevine Subscriptions –	in support of the Grapevine, D52 purchased 6 subscriptions, 3 given as door prizes at			
	the Tri Cities Workshop, 1ea to be given to a lucky Group drawn at our remaining District			
	meetings this year, or perhaps our remaining Workshop(s) this year?			

Hind-sight Brainstorming – Ideas to encourage more participation in the Service Structure Ideas to offer more help and provide more resources to us

Groups to "carry the message". (Note: list additional Ideas)

D52 has not added any new GSRs since the time of my last report in July. We currently have 8 GSRs. Our District still has a couple of groups to visit (that we are unable to contact), therefore, *we must show up* using old information. Our last group visits are revealing that GC activities are stagnant, if they exist at all. They are struggling to fill positions and struggling with attendance. Of course, we will continue to contact and visit the remaining Groups in our District.

Right now, our most updated information lists (29) active groups in our District, and as I mentioned, (2) of those yet to be visited. We now have (9) identified as AA Meetings which are registered as Groups. We hope to incorporate the District Group List information on the district "Shared Drive" and pass this information on to our SETA Registrar and Houston Intergroup to update their files.

As for SWRAASA, we have (3) District members going and (2) members from the Area TFC Committee riding with us. This may change somewhat following our elections this Tuesday...*we may have a Caravan instead!* Right now, our district has Ricardo D, my Alt. DCM, standing for DCM.

Well 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, with a genuine dedication to the welfare of our AA groups, to AA as a whole.

Respectfully submitted to my Friends in Service,

Christopher G.

District 60 – OPEN – NO REPORT

District 62 - Ricardo D. - NO REPORT

District 63 – Ricardo R. 4800 W 39th Street, Houston, TX 77092

The district has 11 groups, the district committee gives the area \$50.00 every 3 months, and has 3 service committees: Corrections, La Vina and Literature. On September 24th we held the district elections resulting in Juan L. as DCM from God. Ivan the dostrp will celebrate 18 years of being sober on October 30 at 10:00 am.

Ricardo, MCD

District 64 - Arturo B. - NO REPORT

District 65 – Arnulfo C. Henriquez G.

This District is formed by 15 Groups, 14 have their GSRs, 5 have Alternates.

We have three committees: La Vina, Corrections and Literature. The three motivate their work in each of their services. Our sharing session has each Group on Thursdays; the regular Meetings are Saturdays from 6 pm onwards and it is changed if it conflicts with the next Hispanic Assembly, a meeting of the Area or Convention – USA and Canada.

This report has added the servants for the next service cycle 2023 and 2024

The new MCD will be: Isidro G, Chilobarranco4@icloud.com, 832.466.8154

Alternate: Nelson C, Nelsoncortez@gmail.com, 346.402.7745

Thank you for your attention

Happy 24 Hours

District 66 – Armando A.

District 66 is made up of 20 Groups, 19 of which have their RSG and meet every Saturday from 6:00 to 8:00pm. Meetings are suspended when there are Area 67 assemblies and conventions, Hispanic assemblies, and conventions or any other A.A. event. Corrections Committee, and Literature Committee, Secretary and Treasurers.

Our sharing session is on Fridays, and we take invitations from other Groups or Districts. On October 8 we will have an RSG workshop in the regular gathering of the district, 6:00 to 8:00 pm and any member who wishes can attend.

On Saturday, November 5, the elections of the service positions and the different committees of the district will be held. On Sunday, November 6, we will have the celebration of the anniversary of the district. This vote will be from 10:00 am. in the District and you are all cordially invited.

Thank God and all the members for giving us the opportunity to serve.

Sincerely: MCD and alternate, secretary, treasurer and alternate, committee of La Viña, committee of corrections, committee of literature in charge of the store and all RSGs.

Thank you, Armando

District 70 – Deborah T.

- District 70 meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm for our monthly business meetings.
- Our face-to-face meetings have been going well, last month we had 18 people in attendance. They are held at Kelly's Restaurant in Pasadena, Texas. We have food and fellowship at 6pm and the meeting starts at 7pm.
- District 70 hosts a guest speaker each month at our business meeting however, in September we held District 70 elections and had a wonderful turn out. The district elected a DCM, Alt. DCM, Secretary, Treasurer, Alt. Treasurer,

Register, CFC Chair, Intergroup Liaison, and Literature Chair. Positions still open are Alt. Register, Grapevine chair, CPC chair, PI chair, TFC chair, Archives, Finance & Budget Chair and Newsletter Chair. (I think district members may be intimidated by the World-Famous Newsletter that has been produced these past two years!!!!!!

- District 70 is giving away a Grapevine subscription at each district meeting in a drawing. This encourages people to support the Grapevine and offers a new way for groups and individuals to carry the message to their homegroups, district and correctional facilities.
- District 70 District 70 put on their first Unity Day event on September 17th at the Legacy Club in Pasadena, and it was a complete success! We started with an interactive workshop titled Unity in Action and it was heartening to see so many people come and participate. We had a Kid Zone with a bounce house, crafts, tattoos, and face painting. We had adult games like horseshoes, cornhole and flickin' chickens. We also had a scavenger hunt where you had to find people with certain characteristics such as someone wearing AA jewelry, someone who got sober in another state, someone with more than 20 years sobriety, etc. This got everyone up and around talking to folks and making connections. We gave custom insulated cups with recovery sayings to the first 5 who completed the list. Members of a local AA group performed a hilarious skit, and we also did a sobriety countdown. We used a picnic theme complete with red and white gingham and served a lunch of fried chicken with sides and several dessert choices. We wrapped it up with a funny and impactful great speaker with 25 years of recovery. We estimate about 120 people came out for the event and we have gotten nothing but positive feedback. Our October agenda includes an item to make District 70 Unity Day an annual event. We had a budget of 3K, and our Unity Day committee reported that they came in under budget. Final numbers will be presented at the district meeting next week. (Personal notes)
- Sara B. the amazing editor of the best newsletter in the world "Last Call" continues to roll out our monthly publication full of vital district, area, group, and state information. You can view our monthly newsletter on our District 70 webpage. Sara B. continues to amaze us all with the informative articles she creates for the newsletter regarding many facets of AA. Due to the early assembly, the newsletters will be here tomorrow.
- Art O. is our Grapevine Committee chair, and he has 3 months of free Grapevine subscriptions left bought by the district to hand out at groups as he spreads the message and importance of this vital piece of literature.
- Charlie W. is our Public Information chair, Charlie is currently working with a contact at Ellis Air Force base to supply them a pamphlet rack and other necessary literature. Charlie continues to monitor and refill all the racks that are currently placed in our district.
- Nick F. is our TFC chair. Since taking office in June, Nick has built a great committee and is currently carrying the message to Bay Area Recovery in Pasadena and was absent at our last district meeting because he was at Cenikor in Pasadena meeting with staff for training and TFC is now carrying the message 3 times per week to this facility. Nick will be standing for TFC Chair for the next two years at our October District Meeting.
- Bri L. became our Literature chair in July and was nominated to continue in this position at our elections. Bri is on fire for her position and is developing ideas for a trifold display, workshops and familiarizing herself with all of the literature of AA.
- At our October district meeting we will be assembling an ad hoc finance committee to begin work on our 2023 Budget. It will be presented in November, discussed, final changes made and ready for acceptance in December of 2022. Throughout the last two years our contributions have grown, and our budget has remained healthy. Per our P&P we will need to beef up our Prudent Reserve and determine what to do with budgets for district positions that are not filled as of yet.
- Our District is growing by leaps and bounds. Each month we are welcoming new GSR's and alternates from Groups that have not participated in district for decades. Most recently we have welcomed servants from the Last Call Group on Space Center in Pasadena which meets at 6:30pm every day except Weds. and Sun., and from the famous Seabrook Men's Meeting which meets every Thursday at the Creek Club in Seabrook, Tx. Our attendance is nearing 40 and it is thrilling to see so many willing to be of service.
- Some groups that are active do not have scheduled group conscience meetings and some groups do not elect GSR's or participate in District or Area.
- While we still have open committee positions within our district, I trust that our Ultimate Authority will provide the trusted servants that our district needs.
- I was able to visit all 51 groups in my district and have started to revisit the early ones from 2021. I have attended 32 G.C. meetings. This role continues to be my favorite duty as the DCM. I have met so many amazing people, attended fabulous meetings that gave me exactly what I needed that day and showed me new ways to carry the message. Additionally, I have been able to learn the history of the groups through old-timers.

- I wanted to thank Laura O. our dedicated secretary, Just R. our fantastic registrar and impromptu IT person who has
 assisted many district members in setting up their g-mail accounts, Lanier Y. assuming the role of alternate treasurer
 while being alternate DCM, Sara B. our world-famous newsletter chair, Charlie W. PI committee chair, Art G.
 Grapevine chair and Nick F. TFC chair. District 70 would not be where it is today without their service and loyalty.
 Thanks to all the GSR's and alternates, as well as new members and visitors, which continue to show up and support
 District 70. I want to welcome all of our new trusted servants on board and wish them all the joy I have experienced
 from serving District 70 as the DCM.
- Closing notes, growth of district, how role impacted my recovery and hopes for the future

District 81 - Veronica M. - NO REPORT

District 90 – Art G. District 90, Area 67 meets every 1st Sunday of each month 1235 Crockett Street (West End Group)

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

Update through our October meeting (9-25)

- Attendance has averaged over 40
- Most all chair positions were filled at our Sept 25 elections; we will send our current DCM and our new Alt DCM to SWRAASA on Oct 7-9
- D-90 Convention 2022
 - o Total attendance was near 700
 - o Record setting numbers with the raffle
 - o Final report due out in Nov / proceeds were high / fully self-supporting on a \$10 dollar registration
- Groups Activities continue to increase
 - o All groups reporting an increase in attendance
 - o Numerous Group Anniversaries are taking place along with Birthday meetings no shortage of activities and group functions
- Gratitude Dinner Is on schedule for November 12
- Tradition Workshop set for October 15
- 7th Tradition contributions are up / financially D-90 is in Great shape
- I visited several other Districts over the last two months / it was a pleasure to mix with Districts other than at an Assembly
 - o 6 & 7 workshop
 - o Sponsorship workshop
- We will spend the next two months reviewing the agenda items for the next GS Conference and preparing our new Committee chairs to take over for their next term as trusted servants.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve Art G

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POSITION	INCOMING				
OFFICERS					
Trustee Candidate	Paul M.				
Delegate	Rick M.				
Alternate Delegate	Christina S.				
Chair	Bella L.				
Alternate Chair	Art G.				
Registrar	Patty H.				
Alt Registrar	Elizabeth G.				
Secretary	Allise B.				
Alt Secretary	Edwin C.				
Treasurer	Catherine G.				
Alt Treasurer	Aliciea M.				
Finance Chair	Reino F.				
COMM	IITTEE CHAIRS				
Archives	Deborah T.				
CPC	Mike G.				
CFC	Tony W.				
Grapevine	Daryl W.				
IT Chair	Sergei K.				
La Vina	Misael K.				
Literature	Dan K.				
Multi-Lingual	OPEN				
Newsletter	Tracy W.				
SCAP	Ron S.				
TFC	Chris G.				
2024 SETA Galveston	Joel G.				
Houston Intergroup	Taylor C.				
Brazos Valley	Rachel S.				
9th District Intergroup	Pete M.				
Intergroupa	Dimas S.				
Intergroupa Hispano	OPEN				

Area Committee R			
Position	Short Name	Committee	Assembly
	Officers		
Delegate	Kris H	<u>x</u>	X
Alternate D elegate	Rick M	<u>x</u>	×
Chairperson	Christina S	x	×
Alternate Chairperson	B ella L	x	×
Registrar	Kathleen T	x	×
Alternate Registrar	Parn F	x	x
Secretary	Meece T	<u>x</u>	x
Alternate Secretary	Chelsey G	x	x
Treasurer	Reino F	x	x
Alternate Treasurer	Roy E		
Standing Comm	ittee Chairpersons		
Archives	Mike D		
Alternate Archives	Mike B	x	×
CPC	D on P		
Alternate CPC	Michael G	x	x
CFC	Roland R	x	×
Alternate CFC	Топу W		
Finance	Ron S		×
Alternate Finance			
Grapevine	D arryl W.	x	x
Alternate Grapevine			
т	Jorge F	х	x
Alternate IT			
La Vina			
Alternate La Vina			
Literature	Hilton L	x	x
Alternate Literature	Dan K	x	x
Multi-Lingual	Severiano M		
Alternate Multi-Lingual			
Newsletter	Tracy W	x	×
Alternate Newsletter	Femando B		
Public Information (PI)	Kristi A	x	x
Aitemate PI			
SCAP	Deborah M		
Alternate SCAP			
TFC	K endyl W		
Alternate TFC	Don M	x	x
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2023 Convention Chair	Annette C.	x	x
2023 Convention Coali 2023 Convention Co-Chair	Anneue C.	~	^
	Ron C		Y
2025 State Convention Chair	Ron C.		<u>x</u>
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	o Intergroup		
Brazos Valley Intergroup	Rachel S		×
Houston Intergroup	Joel G	x	x
Ninth District Intergroup	Ray F		
Ninth District Intergroup Alternate			
Intergrupa Hispano D el (D 63, 64, 65)	Dimas S		1

DCMs			
District 10 DCM			
District 10 Alt DCM			
District 20 DCM	George S	x	x
District 20 Alt DCM	Sarah L		
District 31 DCM	Cheryl M	x	x
District 31 Alt DCM	Karon M		
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		
District 62 Alt DCM			
District 63 DCM	Ricardo R	x	x
District 63 Alt DCM	Juan L	x	
District 64 DCM	Arturo B		
District 64 Alt DCM	Marco L	x	
District 65 DCM	Henrique G	x	
District 65 Alt DCM	Isidro G		х
District 66 DCM	Armando A		
District 66 Alt DCM	Rogelo D		
District 70 DCM	Deborah T	x	
District 70 Alt DCM	Lanier Y		
District 81 DCM	Keith M		
District 81 Alt DCM	Danny G	x	х
District 82 DCM	Terry C		x
District 82 Alt DCM			
District 90 DCM	Art G	x	x
District 90 Alt DCM	Julian L		