Southeast Texas Area Assembly



4th Quarter Area Committee & Assembly Meeting Minutes

Saturday, September 28, 2024

Online ONLY via Zoom

NOTICE: Area Guidelines prohibit publishing personal email addresses or phone numbers, so email addresses have been converted to position-based email addresses.

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.

A.A.'s Three Legacies – Our Common Solution Saturday, September 28, 2024 9:00 AM GSR WORKSHOP – Online

English – Breakout Room

Spanish - Breakout Room

AREA COMMITTEE MEETING – Online

Open Meeting: Serenity Prayer – Bella L.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> – <u>Allise B.</u> – July Minutes approved with no corrections

- Area Actions table has been brought up to date and will be online soon
 - It is very cluttered with motions that do not have historical value (ex: the Minutes were corrected or they weren't; the motion doesn't matter—it is not setting policy for the future)
 - If there's a reason to keep them, perhaps we should have a policy tab that contains few enough items that someone would be willing to read it, more like <u>Advisory Actions</u> (M-39) (not saying that <u>Advisory Actions</u> is light reading, but I'd rather read it than the 926 rows of the Area Actions table)

Unfinished Business

Review of Job Fair — Troy B.-D.

The semi-annual SETA Job Fair was held at the July 2024 Assembly. The Job Fair is held to allow an opportunity for members to learn more about positions that make up the Area's officers and committees. Each current position holder participates and shares their experience, strength, and hope. This year the Fair used an open space concept which allowed members to select the positions they wanted to learn more about. I hope that everyone willing to stand as a trusted servant was able to get a clearer idea of the positions available.

New Business

Proposed Agenda Item: Simple Majority Items – <u>Allise B</u>. – See <u>Area Committee notes</u> & <u>attachment</u>

We propose that Final Reports label Simple Majority Items:

<u>Suggestions</u> that achieved Simple Majority <u>but</u> did not receive the two-thirds majority required to pass as a Conference Advisory Action Instead of:

Recommendations that achieved Simple
Majority — These items did not receive the
two-thirds majority required to pass as a
Conference Advisory Action

Compared with Advisory Actions:

It is recommended that . . . [items passed by % substantial unanimity be implemented as Conference Advisory Actions]

Close Meeting with Responsibility Statement – I am responsible . . . When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there and for that: I am responsible.

ADJOURNED AT 9:37 AM

Saturday, September 28, 2024 10:00 AM AREA ASSEMBLY

DCM Reports, Service Committee Reports, and Intergroup Ligison Reports

Open Meeting: Serenity Prayer - Bella L., Chair

Preamble to SETA Policies & Procedures Manual - Troy B-D, Interim Alt. Chair

Roll Call – Assembly Attendance – Patty H. – 44 online + 8 at the Intergrupo + 1 late arrival = 52 voters

<u>Treasurer's Report - Catherine G.</u>

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Job Description Updates

LUNCH

Concept XI - Short form - Allise B.

The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern.

• Concept XI also addresses the pitfalls of *double-headed management*. Bill explains that it's confusing to everyone—the people in ambiguous positions, the people reporting to them and third parties who want to know where the buck stops. Therefore, we don't use *co-chairs* in A.A., always principals (*Chairs*, *Delegates*, etc.) and their *Alternates*.

Recognize: New GSRs and Past Delegates – Bella L.

Business

Delegate Reports

- Delegate's Report Rick M.
- Alternate Delegate's Report Christina S.

3rd Legacy Explained (Svc Man. Apx G) – Bonita W. – slides

Convention Committee Reports

- SETA Convention 2024 Galveston <u>Joel G.</u> <u>revised financial report</u>
- SETA Convention 2025 Houston Cody R. flyer



- SETA Convention 2026 Sommer S.
- Texas State Convention 2025 Melissa R.

<u>District Committee Member (DCM) Reports</u>

Intergroup Liaison Reports

Service Committee Reports

- Proposed Agenda Item: Simple Majority Items Allise B See <u>Area Committee notes</u> & <u>Background Material</u>
 - Request for Area support for Proposed Agenda Item (PAI): Sense of the Area: 39-5

Next Assembly–Elections October 5, 2024

San Jac College Map Directions

Announcements - Christina S., Alt. Delegate

- <u>Southwest Regional A.A. Service Assembly</u> *Service: Vital to Our Growth* October 11-13, 2024 Renaissance Dallas/Richardson Hotel
- <u>2025 SETA Convention</u>—January 3rd–5th, 2025 \$30 advance registration. <u>Royal Sonesta Hotel in the Galleria area off of 610 & Westheimer.</u> Rooms \$149 per night. Reservations close Dec 13th.
- 2025 State Convention
- 2025 Regional Forum
- **PI/CPC Roundup**—Saturday, October 26, 1-4 PM, Houston Intergroup, 5151 Mitchelldale Suite B10, Houston. Featuring practice presentations
- **D82 Grapevine Writing Workshop**—Saturday, November 2nd, 2-5PM, Saint Timothy's, 200 Oyster Creek Dr, Lake Jackson, TX 77566 Costumes *strongly* encouraged! Please bring a spooky snack
- D81 Anonymity Workshop—November 9, 2024 at Holy Trinity Church, Dickinson, TX 77539
- A67 Literature Workshop—The Conference Connection, How It Works: The Proposed Agenda Item Process, Saturday, October 10, 11-2pm. Hosted by the Rose Rich Group, 925 TX-10 Spur, Rosenberg, TX 77471.

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Job Description Update – <u>Patty H.</u> – In discussion to resolve where ~64 pages of Job Descriptions mark-ups and clean copies should reside rather than attaching them all to these 21-page Minutes that already have ~16 pages of other attachments—101 pages of Minutes seems excessive

<u>Delegate</u>, <u>Alt Delegate</u>, <u>Registrar</u>, <u>Finance Committee Chair</u>, <u>Information Technology Committee Chair</u>
 and their Alternates submitted changes for approval

Delegate

- Proposes removing "assume the responsibility of the area chair and alternate if they are unable to serve" and replacing with "should the area chair or alternate become unable to serve, identify a suitable appointee and secure their services."
 - Past Delegate concerned that the Delegate is removed from the process of finding the substitute
 - Delegate responded that the current Job Description makes the Delegate personally the substitute Chair or alternate
 - That is not what happened when the Alternate Area Chair stepped down this rotation—the Delegate helped identify a past Delegate who was suitable and available for filling in
 - No one asked the Delegate to fill in personally, nor would he want them to—Delegates have enough to do
 - Past Delegate filling in as Alternate Chair confirmed that the Delegate participated in the decision and that is what the revision provides
- Alternate Delegate There were no questions for the Alternate Delegate

• Registrar

- The price of coffee tags will change now that we are down to a one-day assembly
- Add "The Registrar will provide up-to-date roll call list of committee members to the area Chair for each new assembly"
- The Delegate asked if the proposed deletion of stickers to identify new GSRs means that we will no longer identify them
 - We have not been using New GSR stickers this rotation
 - The Registrar suggested a pink or gold star sticker for new GSRs—The delegate and alt delegate suggested that the choice of sticker is within the Right of Decision for each Registrar
 - An Officer suggested that it is important to identify not only new GSRs but anyone new to service in this Area and those who have been in service have a responsibility to approach them and help them feel comfortable
- GSR asked about the procedure for new GSR packets
 - District should be able to help the GSR get registered when they turn in their New GSR Form
 - The Registrar can also take their information and enter it into the database
 - Either way, the General Service Office routinely sends the new GSR Kit in a few weeks
 - If you don't receive a kit, contact your District Registrar or DCM, email the Area Registrar or look online at Contents of General Service Representative (G.S.R.) Kit List on aa.org [Secretary's note: most of the items are linked to PDFs available online]
 - It appears that GSO is no longer providing a printed <u>Service Manual</u> in the Kit, but it is available online and many districts will provide one for their GSRs

Secretary

- Past Delegate & Delegate concerned about summarizing and condensing Reports
 - Secretary has sought and received approval from each Reporter for all substantive revisions, including summaries (but not cleanup matters like spelling, grammar, omitted words, formatting, etc.), before issuing Draft; that was not stated in the Job Description—it will be added
 - Both that Past Delegate & sitting Delegate have previously approved drafts and edits submitted to them
 - Another Past Delegate (who is a past Secretary) wondered why it is necessary to condense when there is a
 2-minute time limit

- A: Many, many reports are longer than 2 minutes and the time limit is not well known if known at all
- [Secretary's Note: at least two Reports exceeding one page plus an *11-page* Report were received for these Minutes; at least one two-page Report and a few full-page Reports have been received for every quarter this rotation; with 46 Reporters + exhibits for motions, the length is staggering]
- Some feel it is important to have a complete historical record
 - Secretary concerned that no one reads them—previous Secretary was surprised by proofreading because she had had no indication that anyone *ever* read them except maybe to check whether their Report was included
 - Former GSR reported that when he was first elected, his group chairperson pulled the Area Minutes off the group's bulletin board and pointed out the Public Information Committee's news that the new GSR should be taking to his group as the group's PI representative
 - Secretary: Well done—good to know that people read them
 - Another member wants all District events recorded
 - A DCM wonders what the DCMs will report if we remove repetitive information
 - There will still be accomplishments every quarter
 - Reporting successes and lessons learned at an event is quite different than featuring standing meetings
- No one objected to proposal for event details (time, address, etc.) being in the Minutes only once in Announcements or in the Report, but not both
 - A DCM wants mention of event in Report although she would not normally announce address, etc.; leave details for the flyer
 - Secretary does not object to recording event details, only to reporting them multiple times in one set of Minutes; will add links to Announcements in the future
- Concern about not stating unchanged District & Committee meetings each quarter
 - A: Links to each Reporter's webpage are already provided on the <u>Officer</u>, <u>District</u>, <u>Committee</u> or <u>Liaison</u>'s name; <u>links</u> are provided (almost) <u>everywhere</u> the <u>Secretary</u> can <u>think</u> to put them and have been [starting with the Minutes of April 2023]
 - A standing committee chair believes that new GSRs will seek committee meeting information in the Minutes and would not want to miss any potential participants
 - Good feedback–Secretary thought those new to service would know that the bright blue color with underline indicate a link
 - Will add standing times on Reporters' title lines (<u>example</u>: 3rd Thursdays on Google <u>Meet</u>—with virtual platform link or <u>Map</u> or both)
 - The Alt. Webmaster reminded us that links are only good as long as the page is still there; as a historical record, Minutes should state the information rather than linking to it
- Officer concerned about deleting requirement to get Chair's approval before distribution
 - A: It was in the Job Description 3 times—just reduced to once [upon review, remains twice]; Officer satisfied
 - [Chair's approval of the Minutes before distribution is <u>not</u> in the Chair's Job Description]
- Delegate concerned that production of the [abbreviated] Minutes for the Bank [with only incoming and outgoing
 Officers] is not in the Job Description but should be, based on our experience coming into this rotation
 - Good catch—will be added

- Treasurer noted that she will need that shortly after Elections so that she can make an appointment for the incoming Officers to meet at the bank before the 1st of the year
- Past Delegate suggested that we:
 - Not automatically print any copies of the Minutes, only make them available on request
 - Remove summarization and editing for redundancy [Secretary notes that removal of obvious redundancy is frequent—even those who write well may not be good at word processing]

Treasurer

- Discussion about inconvenience of downtown Post Office Box where Alt. Treasurer must pick up mail
 - Prior to P.O. Box, Treasurer moved address to his home—his widow still receives SETA contributions more than 10 years later!
 - Next two Treasurers moved address to a Post Office near them—mail lost in transitions
 - Two past postal workers advised that Post Office will forward for 6 months, then provide address correction for 6 months, then no more
 - Suggestion that a third person could pick up mail roundly rejected—current system working
 - Delegate informed us that SETA is one of the few Areas whose treasury has never been stolen, so we should not fix a system that is not broken
 - Consensus that P.O. Box should stay where it is—Past Delegate suggested that Treasurer *bring a Motion to put that in the Policies & Procedures Manual to the January Assembly*
 - Concerns about tying future Treasurers' & Alternates' hands
 - A: Job Descriptions are reviewed every 2 years and can be updated in between upon Area vote
- DCM expressed concern that the Job Description requires the Alt. Treasurer to be the Finance Committee
 Secretary, which might discourage some potential candidates from standing for the position
 - Treasurer responded that it is a suggestion, not a requirement; if the committee has enough members, the duty can certainly be delegated to someone else
 - She strongly suggested that her Alternate attend Finance Committee meetings for the complexities a broader understanding of how the two fit together
 - Alternate Treasurer recommends that Alternate joins Finance Committee as Secretary if no one else stands—Agreed
- Past Delegate suggested that the brand name of the accounting software be omitted both to avoid affiliation and not tie future Treasurers' hands
- Officer recommended that all of us should read Job Descriptions before standing [see position's webpage on aa-seta.org]
- Both Officers will distribute revisions for comment before January Assembly

Finance Committee Chair

- o Past Delegate suggested that names of communication platforms' vendors be removed so that we do not affiliate
 - Finance Chair will revise to say "current technology" without brand names
- Finance Chair had note in Job Description about future date changes due to Assembly dates moving
 - Alt Delegate suggested that the Job Description reflect that the proposed budget is presented to the Assembly and voted on annually so that there is no tie to a particular month or even quarter; Finance Chair agreed

- DCM concerned that the Job Description does not indicate timeframe and a future Finance Chair might try to bring the budget in October
- Finance Chair reminded us that it is the first round with the new budgeting process and we do not know how it will shake out so we should not tie it down too tightly

Information Technology Chair

- A past IT Committee member is concerned that the revisions sound like a technical description for the whole committee rather than a Chair position
 - IT Chair explained that, in keeping with the previous Job Description, these are the current requirements for the Committee that the Chair must delegate or assume:
 - "responsible for ensuring that items . . . are handled by the IT Committee, . . . delegating these items to positions within the committee itself Should the entrusted individuals struggle to uphold these areas, the ultimate responsibility is upon the Chair on behalf of the committee."
 - Alt Webmaster concurred that the Committee shares these responsibilities, but the Chair is ultimately responsible
- Past Delegate requested that a non-affiliation disclaimer be added because this Job Description would not make sense if the Google references were removed
 - He will draft language and distribute to the Officers for inclusion as part of the IT duties common to all (IT) Job Descriptions
 - Alt Webmaster proposed that Google references be replaced with "current technology" on the assumption that tasks would be the same on other platforms; IT Chair stated that the duties are dependent on the infrastructure chosen
 - Webmaster suggested that the Job Description indicate that Google is the currently chosen platform, which may change, and add the disclaimer
 - Service Committee Chair suggested that we leave it as proposed by PD—others need to know what the platform is

SETA Convention Chair

• Voting privileges are from time of election through the Assembly where the Convention's Final Report is presented (usually April)

Delegate Reports

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Delegate's Report – Rick M

Good afternoon, everyone, my name is Rick, and I am an alcoholic. I'm very humbled and privileged to be serving as your Delegate for Panel 73.

First off today, most of you have probably heard by now that the PLBB will go on sale November 1st. As for actual delivery, I don't have any information on that. More will be revealed.

I'm sure you know by now that registration and lodging reservations are open for the International Convention. I want to reemphasize that if you have issues with your background that you work on clearing that up. I've been told that it can be a time-consuming process so please don't procrastinate. I would hate for you to get to Vancouver and be refused entry.

Christina and I delivered our last Conference report on August 17th in District 33. I can't tell you how grateful I am for everyone's attention, courtesy and hospitality as we visited your Districts. I thoroughly enjoyed our time with all of you and your support has been phenomenal. I also want to give a shout out to my Alternate and very dear friend Christina. Our road trips together have been very pleasant and rewarding. When we delivered the report to her home District,

District 81, we switched roles. Christina did the talking while I ran the PowerPoint presentation. She did a great job, and it was a lot of fun. I was blessed to have such a dedicated and capable Alternate. She has been right there beside me every step of the way and has stood in my shoes when necessary.

DCMs, I have received the boxes and boxes of General Service Conference *Final Reports*. I have only been able to deliver them to a handful Districts, so I will be bringing the remainder to the election Assembly on the 5th of October. What I am going to ask is that you or a designee meet in the parking lot at San Jacinto College in front of the building where we meet at 8:00 am on that Saturday. I will hand your boxes to you then and there. This will save me from carting them all upstairs and then you having to cart them back down. I will park at the closest point to the building that I can. I will be driving a dark red Nissan Pathfinder.

It's election time once again. For the last several rotations I've given the same spiel. It's all about participation. If you are a voting member of the Area Assembly, this is your chance to participate. I humbly suggest that you exercise your right of participation to the fullest. In the past, it has been a trend that after electing the incoming Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Area Chair and Alternate Area Chair, the room begins to empty, and the vote counts begin to decrease. I will say that recently this trend has not been as prevalent and I'm grateful for that. Each position that we will be voting to fill is just as important as any other and each deserves our full attention. We can devote one day once every two years to elect a new rotation of trusted servants. Voting is both a privilege and a responsibility.

This is the last time I will be reporting to you as your Area 67 Delegate. Passionate and/or eloquent words do not come easy for me, but I do want all of you to know how thankful I am for this opportunity to serve as your Delegate It is truly an experience that I would never have wanted to miss. It has been a bumpy road at times. As a Conference member, we have dealt with some thorny issues. At the same time, our fellowship has dealt with some thorny issues and our unity is being tested on several fronts. Up and down the triangle, we have communication issues, transparency issues, and trust issues.

All that said, through all of that, you have given me your trust, your support, and most of all your love. Your respect for my efforts to represent you, to communicate with you, and your very kind words of support have filled me an immeasurable amount of gratitude.

I look forward to the next phase of my life in the service structure of AA. Soon, I will be adding the word "past" to how I introduce myself but this does not mean I'm going out to pasture. Over the last few months, I've had the opportunity to participate in workshops and group inventories and I have had an absolute blast doing so. I can't wait to do more of that going forward. Please keep me in your short list when you need help with workshops. Feel free to continue to contact me when you have questions that I might be able to help find answers to.

Again, your love and support has been amazing, and I love each and every one of you. Thank you letting me serve you,

<u>Alternate Delegate's Report</u> – Christina S

I wanted to first thank y'all for allowing me to serve as your Alt-Delegate Panel 73, Area 67. I've had such a good time visiting all the different districts with Rick. Thank you for all that allowed us to visit.

<u>SWRAASA</u> is October 11-13, 2024, in Richardson, TX at the Renaissance Dallas—Richardson Hotel. Registration info: Alt-Delegate page at aa-seta.org. SWRAASA is our Southwest Regional AA Service Assembly in October of even-number years. The final decision was reached during the July SWRAASA Committee meeting that the NETA 65 Standing Committee Chairs will host the tables. They greatly appreciate all of you for considering the opportunity.

78th TX State Convention will be held in Houston at the Royal Sonesta Hotel August 15 to 17, 2025.

SWRAASA 2026 will be hosted by Area 67. I reached out to several hotels for information about holding the event. I meet with the Finance Committee to have them review the proposal from Hyatt Regency Baytown-Houston. They gave the ok to move forward with getting a contract. Once the contract is written we will run it by the Finance Committee again. Big thank you to Melissa, Danny, Spencer and Troy for all their help. Everyone is being put on alert that there are service opportunities for everyone coming up. \bigcirc

Convention Committee Reports

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SETA Convention 2025—Houston — **Cody R.** — Presented but no report submitted

Irregular Meeting Schedule

SETA Convention 2026–Beaumont – Sommer S., Alternate Chair

January 23-25, 2026 at Holiday Inn & Suites on Walden Road in Beaumont. Contract has been secured, room rates are:

- Standard King \$109
- Standard Double \$119
- Corporate Suite \$129
- Registration for the convention and hotel has not opened yet, we will report when registration is available.
- Committee is 2/3 filled, we will continue to reach out to a variety of districts to fill positions.
- Program Chair, Chair, and Alternate Chair met with Allise B. to discuss program and appreciate her experience, strength, and hope on scheduling speakers, convention guidelines, and multilingual accessibility.
- Speakers are being identified, and we are working on a theme for the convention.
- We plan to continue to lean heavily on the 2025 convention committee for their experience with electronic registration, accessibility, technology, multilingual, and other topics that have come up during their planning and execution of the 2025 convention.
- We plan to do as Rick M. suggested and add a past convention chair as consultant/advisor to our committee.
- As we enter 2025 we will begin meeting monthly and will make information regarding the convention available to the area as it develops.

78th Texas State A.A. Convention 2025 - Paul M. por Melissa R.

Meeting Schedule unavailable

Volunteer Form English Flyer Spanish Flyer

Service Committee Reports

All Service Committee Report titles link to their webpages [back to top]

Archives - OPEN

Second Mondays 7pm Google Meet

Cooperation w/the Professional Community (CPC) - Kate E, Alt. Chair 1st Mondays 7:30pm Google Meet

The committee set up a display and talked about our work at 3 events this quarter. We were at the D40 Traditions dinner, the D70 Unity Picnic and The Spring Group workshop. Please let us know if you have an event in which we can participate.

The committee did a mailing in August to Medical and Nursing schools in the area. We have already received a response from one school that would like to integrate AA into their class curriculum.

On October 26th we will have a round-up in cooperation with the PI Committee. It will be from 1-4 at Intergroup and will serve food. We will give away certificates for the new *Plain Language Big Book* coming out in November. We will demonstrate how our committees interact with professionals and the public in both English and Spanish. The 2022 AA Survey shows that over 50% of individuals get to AA through a professional or a non-AA member. It is vital that we continue to inform these groups about AA so we can continue our primary purpose of helping the still-suffering alcoholic.

Correctional Facilities Committee (CFC) – Tony W, Chair

3rd Wednesdays 7:30-9pm Map Google Meet

The SETA CFC is charged with carrying 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, assists with orientation processes to get people

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approved to take AA meetings into TDCJ facilities, distributes AA literature purchased with your SETA BLUE CAN contributions, answers letters from inmates through the Correspondence Program, utilizes local and National CFC Pre-Release contact channels to assist in getting inmates to their first AA meeting upon release, and carries the message by putting on workshops or setting up information tables at workshops and conventions. The Conference Committee meets at Intergroup an hour before us during the season. Thank you Intergroup for the use of your facility.

We continue to have more and more meetings open up in facilities around the area. We have more TDC-approved volunteers to handle most of this load, though some local Houston facilities and a couple in rural areas still need help with attendance. It is still very easy to get approved online, so you wouldn't have to actually attend an in-person orientation process. To wit, we have continually more literature going out from Blue Can funds but we don't have the proportionate increase in Blue Can contributions to match this outpouring. We ask that y'all take these requests back to your districts and groups, both for volunteers and contributions. Keep in mind that aside from 12th Step Calls, there is no front-line primary purpose commitment more necessary and rewarding than carrying meetings into both corrections and treatment settings. In those settings, 'Powerless' is all but a given.

We now have in excess of 40 meetings being attended in correctional facilities around the area. This may not seem like a lot, but it's a huge amount in comparison to the rest of the state and the country.

Waller County Jail is now up and running, fully stocked with literature and a tabletop Steps and Traditions, and attendance is going up by about one person per meeting. This past Wednesday we had to get a couple more chairs in there. That's a good thing!

Brazos County has the same book order as Waller already delivered and ready, our program and the volunteers have been approved—we're just waiting on the County Jail Board of Directors to decide what day and time the meeting should be. It's usually not this daunting of a task to fire up a meeting inside, but everyone does everything their own way and we in AA are here to just comply and serve.

The Harris County Residential Treatment Center in Humble/Atascocita is still looking for volunteers, both women and men. They continue to have regularly scheduled meetings and continue to get literature. We could debate whether this is a treatment facility or a corrections facility, but as CFC has much needed literature and the largest volunteer base, we deny no one the chance for a meeting and a book.

Harris County Harris Center Jail Diversion/Mental Health Facility downtown is looking for volunteers for AA meetings as well. Though again debatable, CFC is asking for the volunteers and will supply literature.

The 7th National Corrections Conference is in Charlotte, NC, November 8, 9, 10.

The Corrections Correspondence Service is still seeking people to correspond with the incarcerated. All info and signups are available at www.aa.org. Also, we, at Area, are always looking for people to correspond in our Area and beyond and people for Pre-Release and/or Bridges. See aa-seta.org/committees/cfc/.

Now... I have spoken with quite a few people around the Area about what transpired with the Bridge the Gap ad-hoc report and request for an Area BTG committee, and subsequent vote. Because the report and vote were over a full hour before the scheduled agenda time, as most of our service commitments are all over the Area on weekends, no one from CFC was there for a minority opinion or even an informed discussion on CFC and the program itself, much less previous sub-committees and structure, working processes still in place, or to answer to the opinion that changed the vote in the first place. It wasn't scheduled until 3:00, and as that verbiage used directly implicated CFC in whatever fashion, someone from CFC should have had the chance to speak to it. It seems to be the opinion of people in positions that can sway the Area vote in either direction that CFC and TFC need to put subcommittees back together, establish working liaison positions between the two, and assure everything can be done without help or oversight from an area committee. That's just very backwards. Personally I'm just going to let it ride out the year and be taken up by the newly stocked CFC and TFC Committees, but I do want it read into the record that we, at CFC, wholeheartedly disagree with any decision that any service entity within the structure of Alcoholics Anonymous says "we won't approve your program to assure that a person leaving a treatment or correctional facility has help and access to their first meetings, and introductions to people in the Fellowship with desirable programs". Even the General Service Office has a dedicated

page and five different BTG pamphlets and flyers, and it is recommended in both the Treatment and the Corrections Workbooks. They don't endorse it, because they don't endorse anything, but that's a pretty big plug for Bridge the Gap at GSO. In my opinion, personalities came before principles here, and being completely honest, the only ones to pay for that are the people who need it the most. The Newcomer and struggling Alcoholic.

Thank you all for everything you do to support SETA CFC, and thank you for allowing me to serve this rotation.

<u>Finance</u> – Reino F., Chair

3rd Wednesdays 8pm Google Meet

- Since the July Area Committee meeting, we have met in July, August & September.
- We have gotten 2 CDs with Chase Bank. One is for \$5,000 for 3 months and the other one is for \$10,000 for 9 months. We kept the amounts small to check how it goes.
- With the Area Assembly's change from hotel meeting spaces to San Jacinto College North, we need to carry insurance. The hotels did not require it. The one-day policy costs just under \$225 per Assembly. The committee has looked into insurance for the SETA events (Area Convention, 3 Assemblies and SWRAASA, when held in Houston). The committee feels that it is in the Area's best interest to have it for our Area events.
- Again, the 2025 Area Budget Committee will be creating the budget after the October elections. The current budget
 holders will show support to the incoming budget holders and their committees and they will meet to create their
 particular budgets and have it to the Finance Chair by October 26th. I have sent the current budget holders their
 budget worksheets, a cover letter and the amount they have spent so far in 2024 in order to assist them in the
 process.

Grapevine – Darryl W., Chair

3rd Thursdays 7pm Google Meet

We sincerely thank our GV reps for their dedication. The GV app downloads have increased, a testament to their efforts, which will help AA Grapevine recoup its initial investment in a timely manner.

Activities – On 9/19/24 Darryl W. attended an online GVAC workshop for suggestions or questions on improving the GV. Our GV committee set up displays for the D70 Unity Day Picnic on 9/20/24 and the Traditions Study at the Spring Group AA on 9/22/24. We encourage all GVRs to attend monthly GV meetings and register at aagrapevine.org as GVRs. All AAs are welcome at area GV meetings and workshops.

Plans – D52 & D80 will soon have GV writing workshops and presentations. On 1/4/25 we will give a workshop at SETA 2025; on 3/1 at D33's annual Unity Conference; and at the Texas State AA Convention 2025 in Houston. If any group or district is interested in a GV writing workshop or presentation, please get in touch with us. All the workshops we have had so far have been inspiring and informative. Something begins to happen when we start writing about any subject related to alcoholism.

Final Thoughts – I am grateful to our committee and the Area for the opportunity to serve the Fellowship and work with many dedicated servants.

<u>Information Technology (IT)</u> – Sergey K., Chair – Presented but no report <u>Meet</u>
<u>Last Saturdays 11am-1pm Google</u>

La Viña – Misael M., Chair – No report

Last Thursdays 8pm rotating through all 4 Districts

<u>Literature</u> – Dan K., Chair & Jim M., Alt. Chair

3rd Tuesdays 7:30pm-8:30pm Google Meet

Dan was diagnosed with kidney cancer in May and has been undergoing treatment for it and where it has metastasized.

The committee set up a display and talked about our work at 3 events this quarter. We were at the D40 Traditions dinner, the D70 Unity Picnic and The Spring Group workshop. Please let us know if you have an event in which we can participate.

The committee did a mailing in August to Medical and Nursing schools in the area. We have already received a response from one school that would like to integrate AA into their class curriculum.

On October 26th we will have a Round-up in cooperation with the PI Committee. It will be from 1-4pm at Intergroup and will serve food. We will give away certificates for the new *Plain Language Big Book* coming out in November. We will demonstrate how our committees interact with professionals and the public in both English and Spanish. The 2022 AA Survey shows that over 50% of individuals get to AA through a professional or a non-AA member. It is vital that we continue to inform these groups about AA so we can continue our primary purpose of helping the still-suffering alcoholic.

Multilingual – Janine B., Chair – No report

First Wednesdays 7:30pm Map

Newsletter – Tracy W., Chair

No standing meetings

It has been my pleasure serving, it has given me the opportunity to get to know the other committees and how we all communicate and all the different hats we wear inside and outside these rooms carrying the message.

To name just a few things we have done the past two years: we have created QR codes and clickable links for online users to easily access the newsletter. We pretty much had to do that because the committee and myself decided to stop printing due to printing's skyrocketed prices. Hopefully one day the cost will go down and we can print hard copies again soon! This way, we can add all the colorful flyers without worrying about the cost. Send us your flyers!!! Newsletter@aa-seta.org

We are currently working on a digital newsletter, we need to whittle down which one would benefit us most, while keeping our anonymity number one priority and running the idea by Area 67 before we make any decisions that could affect us in the future.

Our committee is lacking participation. Hint, hint, this is the election month!

Public Information (PI) - Charlie W., Chair

4th Tuesdays 7:30pm Google Meet

PI is carrying the message of recovery to the still suffering alcoholic by informing the general public about the AA program. We carry the message by getting in touch with and responding to the media, schools, industry, and other organizations which can report on the nature and and purpose of A.A. and what it can do for alcoholics.

To name just a few things we have done this past year: putting literature out in public locations, such as Big Books (Spanish & English) in libraries, small literature racks in a couple churches, a Hepatology clinic, and a local hospital. We have done one A.A. presentation at a Catholic Charities event in both English and Spanish. The committee takes part in Health Fairs at area community colleges.

It's been a great experience in my first SETA service position! I love AA. The AA way of life saved me and gave me a wonderful life. I get to carry the AA message to folks all over SE Texas. I am mostly a people person and love reaching out. I wish I could do it all again. There is so much more we can do to reach out, but our committee is lacking participation. Many of our districts have open service positions, including PI. A rewarding opportunity is available if you're interested.

SCAP - OPEN Assembly Breakouts

<u>Treatment Facilities Committee (TFC)</u> – Christopher G., Chair

15th of the month 7pm Google Meet

We still have positions to fill: Alternate TFC Chairperson, Accessibilities Chairperson, and the TFC Secretary position.

Activities: The TFC Committee Inventory results were assessed at our TFC Inventory meeting in July. We prioritized all suggestions and began to implement some of the ideas at our August meeting.

We continue to follow-up and utilize the new administrative resources & databases created: •for signing up and contacting Treatment Facility Meeting Volunteers; •for signing up and contacting BTG Temporary Contact Volunteers; •for contacting Treatment Facilities utilizing our updated Meeting Mapping Database.

Continued electronic distribution & utilization of the Resource Binder. (These Resource Binders were provided to the Districts and to AA members participating in TF Meetings and BTG Activities within Treatment Facilities.) Our plan is to make this Resource Information available via a TFC Shared Drive for all those engaging in 12-step activities.

We continue our proactive, in-person approach to present and provide AA resources to District Members, TF Administrators, and TF Clients regarding AA Programs and to obtain support and cooperation for AA Meetings inside Treatment Facilities and announcing BTG Activities. Visits continue to Area District Meetings, Events, Treatment Facilities, and interested Groups & are reported monthly.

1. Districts Visited:	3. Other Facilities Visited	
D40 Traditions Dinner	The ReCenter - Downtown	
D52 2x District Meetings	The Warrior's Refuge - West Columbia	
D20 The AA Group Workshop	Harris Center - Jail Diversion & Mental Health Facility	
D32 Concept 4, 5, & 6 Workshop ReCenter	VA Hospital - Michael E Debakey	
D60 Speaker Weekend at Third Tradition Group Facility	VA Domiciliary - New 48-Bed Facility	
2. Treatment Facilities Visited:	4. Other Facilities Contacted	
Westpark Springs Hospital	The Warrior's Refuge - Alvin	
	Harris Center - P.E.E.R.S. for Hope House just 2 days ago (Substance Abuse & Mental Health Residence)	

Announcement: To all DCMs, Alt DCMs, or your TF Designees attending this Assembly: Newly Printed TFC Updates, BTG Updates, and Treatment Committee Workbook information have been prepared to update the Resource Binders that were provided to all DCMs/Districts last year. These update folders will be available at the TFC table for pick-up at the October Assembly, or contact me at tfc@aa-seta.org to arrange for hard copies. All DCMs/Alt DCMs/District TFChairpersons and those who requested one have electronic files. A TFC Shared Drive containing this information will be available soon.

Intergroup Liaison Reports

All Intergroup Liaison titles link to their webpages
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<u>Brazos Valley Intergroup</u> – Rachel S.

No more meetings

After much thought and discussion at our last 2 intergroup meetings, we have made an informed decision the Brazos Valley Intergroup does not have enough participation or demand to necessitate remaining open. We are still implementing our 24-hour hotline, which D33 has agreed to take over, as it's still getting enough participation and volunteers to stay running. We have decided to liquidate our bookstore to the Waco and Houston intergroups after our February 2025 Unity conference is over. I'm grateful for the experience of being an intergroup liaison, and hopefully will have the privilege of having another seat as an area committee member again in the future.

Houston Intergroup – Taylor C. – Presented but no report submitted

3rd Thursdays 8pm Map

9th District Intergroup – Peter M. – Present; No report

3rd Thursdays of even-numbered months 8pm Map

Intergrupo Hispano del SW (D66 & 62) – Martin M. – No report

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District Committee Member (DCM) Reports

All District titles link to their webpages [back to top]

District 10 - Inactive

District 20 - Sarah L - Presented but no report submitted

2nd Thursdays 7pm Zoom

<u>District 31</u> – **Jennifer C** – Presented but no report submitted

3rd Sundays 2-4pm Hybrid Map Google Meet

<u>District 32</u> – Mark E., Alt. DCM – Present but no report to give

2nd Sundays at 1pm Map Zoom

District 33 – Cody R., Alt. DCM for Tony A

3rd Saturdays 11am Map

I want to thank the incoming GSRs, Officers, Committee Chairs, and Members who have committed to serving for the next two years. These members help ensure that Alcoholics Anonymous will be here for future Alcoholics.

District 33 held its elections last weekend, and I am delighted to announce that it will be in the hands of trusted and capable leadership. These trusted servants have shown a willingness to go above and beyond. I also want to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who has supported me in my role as DCM over the past two years.

The Brazos Valley Intergroup Representatives of District 33 passed a motion to dissolve Intergroup and liquidate its assets. This decision was made because District 33 has only 34 groups, many of which are rural, and only eight groups supported Intergroup.

It was noted that the bookstore was more of a want than a need. In today's digital age, accessing A.A. literature, books, and chips online at www.aa.org or purchasing them from Houston Intergroup is convenient.

The district will discuss taking on the Hotline and website responsibilities. Many members feel these services are necessary in helping the suffering Alcoholics.

It has been an honor to serve District 33 and Area 67.

<u>District 40</u> – Doug D., DCM

2nd Tuesdays 7-9pm Map Google Meet

I need to thank District 40 for the opportunity to serve as the DCM this rotation. As I found out in each service position I have held, I learned new aspects of this program, the position, and most surprisingly the changes in me. I need to thank Mike B. for doing a great job as the Alt this rotation and I will be looking forward to seeing how God will lead him as DCM in the next few years. At the last assembly, we had to change around a few things since the little hurricane decided to swing by and check on us. It was a blessing that I could rely on Mike to step in and attend in my absence. Oh yeah, Mike, start taking notes. You will have to give this report on Jan 4th.

Our D40 Traditions dinner was on August 17th. It was a success and thanks to everyone who helped and those who stopped by for the food, fellowship, and traditions. We hope to see you there next year so check your calendars and watch SETA-Announce for updates; I am excited to see what Juan Carlos R. will do. It is the job of the Alt DCM to put on the event and like in AA, it is fun to see how the next rotation will do the job their way.

We are trying to finish up some projects we started before the end of the year. You all know the house cleaning that comes around at the end of a cycle, like elections, budgets, and the transfer of everything else, we still have time in our meetings for GSR sharing and training. We have covered voting from the D40 P&P and the AA service

manuals. I hope all our GSRs and Alts are here to see 3rd Legacy voting in person or online. I don't think you can grasp it until you see it live. I called in a past D40 DCM and our current Finance Chair, Reino to run our election and he did a great job. It was peaceful and he only had to correct me once, thanks for keeping it real.

I am ready to finish everything before this last quarter ends and get it ready to turn over to Mike and the new crew. Just a few months ago we were doing the signature card on the bank account and here we are getting ready to do it again—time does fly by quickly. I want to thank D40 for this opportunity to serve.

District 51 – David D.

2nd Sundays 6pm Map or Map

Our District is proud to announce that we had our third District initiative last Saturday, Sept. 21st. It was a Dungeon Service Workshop held at the Bellaire Club. This well-attended and exciting workshop explored how the AA service structure operates and highlighted the service opportunities available. Rick M. was a part of the workshop and graciously updated the participants on the latest activity and events at GSO. I'd like to give a special thanks Gwen P. and Laura F. for organizing this wonderful and informative event!

<u>District 52</u> – Ricardo D. – No report

1st Tuesdays 7-8:30pm Map Google Meet

District 60 - Roland R.

1st Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm Zoom

Third Tradition Group's Steps workshop was great and well attended. Third Tradition Group answered the phones for Intergroup during the Labor Day weekend. The group is also preparing for their 47th anniversary in November, date to be announced.

Monday morning women's meeting that meets at Jug group will be relocating. Will inform where they move.

The Rockhill group has food and fellowship every 2nd Sunday at 5:30pm. However the group will have their 51st anniversary on October 12th. Will be a 50/50 raffle, silent auction, and great food. Speaker Sean from NASA Bay group.

The Industrial group of Alcoholics Anonymous has Movie night first Saturday of every month at 5:00pm.

District 62 – INACTIVE

District 63 – Juan D. – Presented but no report submitted

2nd Saturdays 6pm Map

District 64 – Yolanda L. for Marco L. – Presented but no report submitted

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District 65 – Isidro G. – Presented but no report submitted

All Saturdays 6pm Map

<u>District 66</u> – Luís P. – Presented but no report submitted

All Saturdays 6pm Map

<u>District 70</u> – **Kevin W.** – Presented but no report submitted

2nd Wednesdays 7pm Map

District 81 - Danny G., Alt. DCM

1st Wednesdays 7-9:00pm Map

State of the district: District 81 remains very active and focused on our primary purpose. All of our committees are full and actively carrying the message. Group participation remains very strong and we are looking forward to new members getting involved from our various groups. Last month we held elections; several members stood per the 3rd Legacy and allowed the conscience of the district to place them in the position they could best serve the district. It was an experience to watch the process play out and amazing that we had so many members willing and able to serve! All positions have been filled and we're excited to get the next rotation started!

Archives: Busy digitizing our history and creating a database that will make it easier to look up and upload our history. **CFC:** Busy with meetings at Carol Young and Galveston County Jail. **PI/CPC:** Michelle and her committee are busy busy! They have been very busy with various Billboards and placing ads in local magazines and handouts. They continue to

come up with new ways to reach the alcoholic that stills suffers using QR codes and handouts to lead newcomers to local resources. Grapevine: Working to involve groups to build a strong and lasting committee. Started a GV drive and friendly competition to see which group can get the most subscriptions. Literature: Continues to look for/inform us of all the new AA literature and any changes that might come up. They've started to cull the outdated pamphlets and put them in a binder for archives, as well as introducing the newer pamphlets for us to update our literature racks. Finance & Budget (F&B): We have a strong F&B and are fully funded for 2024. They continue to meet and accommodate the district's ever-changing budget. Getting ready for the 2025 budget and has asked all positions to submit their budget. TFC: Holding meetings at each treatment facility monthly. Regularly holding workshops . has grown this committee tremendously! Newsletter: Continues to amaze us! The goal is to highlight events, share stories of recovery and make announcements. Starting to interview members within our district—always practicing the principle of anonymity about their experience, strength and hope on AA topics! Web: Chartered to Design, Build and Maintain our website, which is a central repository for events, committee information & group schedule for our district, etc. Please check us out at www.aadistrict81.org. Accessibilities: Enables people to access service commitments through hybrid and continues to think about ways to ensure access is available to all you want to serve. Workshop: Put on a workshop on 11th Step spirituality in August with ~80 members from around the area. Planning a workshop on Anonymity and the 12th Tradition in November, so please look for details soon.

All in all, our district is growing and people are getting excited about service in A.A.!

District 82 - Jackie M.

1st Sundays 1:30 pm Map

Group Updates: 1. Most of our groups are reporting consistent attendance and newcomers are coming in. 2. Most of our groups are also reporting that there has been decent attendance at group conscience meetings. 3. Brazos Place Recovery is also attending meetings in person.

Treasury: Group contributions are consistent with more groups participating right now.

Open District 82 Service Positions: Multi Lingual; Archives; PI

What District 82 Is Working On: August: We had the pleasure of Patty H. coming to educate and recruit people to be Registrar. She made it fun and informative. **September:** We held our Third Legacy elections. The DCM, Alt DCM, Treasurer and Secretary were filled along with a few committees. The attendance was good with many new people to learn what District is all about. **November:** There will be a Grapevine writing workshop on November 2 at St Timothy's Episcopal Church where Plantation Group meets. This is a Halloween-themed workshop, so come dressed up and bring a spooky snack.

District 90 – Julian (Juliann) L.

1st Sundays 1:30pm Map

We have been busy at District 90. Last weekend we held our Traditions Workshop. All who attended were fed with food and wisdom from the Workshop Leaders. There were 7 Workshop Leaders. Some combined two Traditions. There was also audience participation.

We held elections earlier this month. Our incoming DCM is David S., incoming Alt DCM is Annette C. We have three Committee Chair positions to be filled. Hopefully, they will be filled by January 2025.

August was our District 90 Convention. It was a great convention with great speakers. It was well attended with close to 700 attendees.

We are looking forward to our District 90 Gratitude Dinner on November 23rd. Our theme this year is "Surrender." A flyer has already been sent to SETA Announce to send out to all. If you are in town please join us as we celebrate our gratitude for our sobriety. Our Gratitude Dinner is a fundraiser for GSO. All of the funds raised are sent to GSO to help them.

This is the last report you will receive from me as DCM District 90. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve District 90!!!

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Area Assembly Roll Call			
Position	Short Name	Committee Sept 28th virtual	Assembly Oct 5th in-person
	Area Officers		
Delegate	Rick M.	Present	Present
Alternate Delegate	Christina S.	Present	Present
Chairperson	Bella L.	Present	Present
Alternate Chairperson			
Registrar	Patricia H.	Present	Present
Alternate Registrar	Elizabeth G.	Present	Present
Secretary	Allise B.	Present	Present
Alternate Secretary	Edwin C.	Present	Present
Treasurer	Catherine G.	Present	Present
Alternate Treasurer	Aliciea M.	Present	Present
Standing (Committee Chairpers	sons	
Archives	Vacant		
Alternate Archives	Vacant		
СРС	Vacant		
Alternate CPC	Kate E.	Present	Not Present
CFC	Tony W.	Present	Not Present
Alternate CFC	Harold B.	Not Present	Present
Finance	Reino F.	Present	Present
Alternate Finance	Kristi N.	Not Present	Not Present
Grapevine	Darryl W.	Present	Present
Alternate Grapevine	Terry P.	Not Present	Present
IT	Sergey K.	Present	Present
Alternate IT	Brad H.	Present	Present
La Vina	Misael M.	Not Present	Not Present
Alternate La Vina			
Literature	Daniel K.	Present	Present
Alternate Literature	Jim M.	Present	Present
Multi-Lingual	Janine B.	Present	Present
Alternate Multi-Lingual	Dulce A.	Not present	Not Present
Newsletter	Tracy S.	Not present	Not Present

Alternate Newsletter	Fernando B.	Not present	Present
Public Information (PI)	Charlie W.	Present	Present
Alternate PI	Theresa S.	Not present	Not Present
SCAP	Vacant		
Alternate SCAP			
TFC	Christopher G.	Present	Present
Alternate TFC			
Convei	ntion Chairs		
2025 SETA Convention Chair	Cody R.	Present	Present
2025 SETA Convention Co-Chair	Elijah K.	Not present	Not Present
2026 SETA Convention Chair	Malana Q.	Not present	Not Present
2026 SETA Convention Co-Chair	Sommer S.	Present	Not Present
2027 SETA Convention Chair			
2027 SETA Convention Co-Chair			
2025 State Convention Chair	Melissa R.	Present	Present
2025 State Convention Co-Chair	Troy B-D.	Present	Present
Intergro	oup Liaisons		
Brazos Valley Intergroup	Rachel S.	Not present	Not Present
Houston Intergroup	Taylor C.	Present	Present
Ninth District Intergroup	Peter M.	Not present	Not Present
Ninth District Intergroup Alternate	James K.	Not present	Not Present
Oficina Intergrupa Hispana D63, 64, 65	Dimas S.	Not present	Present
Oficina Intergrupa Hispana Alt D63, 64, 65	Jose M.	Not present	Present
Intergrupo Hispano del SW (D 62, 66)	Martin M.	Not present	Present
Intergrupo Hispano del SW Alt (D 62, 66)			
	DCMs		
District 10 DCM	Inactive		
District 10 Alt DCM			
District 20 DCM	Sarah L.	Present	Present
District 20 Alt DCM	Linda G.	Not Present	Not Present
District 31 DCM	Jennifer C.	Present	Present
District 31 Alt DCM			
District 32 DCM	Kim C.	Not Present	Not Present
District 32 Alt DCM	Mark E.	Present	Not Present
District 33 DCM	Tony A.	Present	Present
District 33 Alt DCM	Cody R.	Present	Present
District 40 DCM	Doug D.	Present	Present
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District 40 Alt DCM	Mike B.	Present	Not Present
District 51 DCM	David D.	Not Present	Present
District 51 Alt DCM	Kevin S.	Not Present	Present
District 52 DCM	Ricardo D.	Not Present	Present
District 52 Alt DCM	Jim C.	Not Present	Not Present
District 60 DCM	Roland R.	Present	Present
District 60 Alt DCM			
District 62 DCM	Vacant		
District 62 Alt DCM			
District 63 DCM	Juan D.	Present	Present
District 63 Alt DCM			
District 64 DCM	Marco L.	Present	Present
District 64 Alt DCM	Jose M.	Present	Not Present
District 65 DCM	Isidro G.	Present	Present
District 65 Alt DCM			
District 66 DCM	Luis P.	Present	Present
District 66 Alt DCM	Jose Luis B.	Present	Present
District 70 DCM	Kevin W.	Present	Present
District 70 Alt DCM	Sara B.	Not Present	Present
District 81 DCM	Keith M.	Not Present	Present
District 81 Alt DCM	Danny G.	Present	Present
District 82 DCM	Jackie M.	Present	Present
District 82 Alt DCM	OB S.	Not Present	Not Present
District 90 DCM	Julian (Juliann) L.	Present	Present
District 90 Alt DCM	David S.	Not Present	Present
Other			
Archivist	Vacant		
Webmaster	Susan W.	Present	Present
Alt Webmaster	Cheryl M.	Present	Present

Attachments:

- 1. 3rd Legacy Explained slides
 - a. Annotated with 2022 Area Actions-4 per page
 - b. Original-6 per page
- 2. <u>SETA Convention 2024</u> Joel G. revised financial report
 - a. SETA 2024 expenses rev 4-3-2024 Rev 1.1 JG

3. Convention 2025 – Houston – *flyers*

- a. AA SETA 2025-Eng--front & back
- b. AA SETA 2025-Spn--delante y detrás

4. Simple Majority Item Reporting

- a. 1 Slides--Proposed Agenda Item Simple Majority Items
- b. 2 Proposed Agenda Item Simple Majority 2024
- c. 3 Background Material ENGLISH

Southeast Texas Area Assembly



4th Quarter Area Election Assembly + Event Insurance Motions

Saturday, October 5, 2024
In person

NOTICE: Area Guidelines prohibit publishing personal email addresses or phone numbers, so email addresses have been converted to position-based email addresses which will direct the mail to your personal email boxes.

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.

A.A.'s Three Legacies – Our Common Solution Saturday, October 5, 2024 9:00 AM AREA ELECTION ASSEMBLY

Open Meeting: Serenity Prayer - Bella L.

Preamble to SETA Policies & Procedures Manual - Troy B-D, Interim Alt. Chair

Roll Call & Vote Count – Election voters – Patty H. – 92 total voters

Voting Instructions with review of Third Legacy Procedure (<u>A.A. Service Manual</u>, Appendix G, page 110) – Olga R., Alt. Delegate, NETA A65

Elections – From Area Nominee for Trustee at Large–U.S. through Alternate Registrar

No one stood for Secretary or Alternate Secretary before the Lunch break; they were filled after Lunch

LUNCH

Roll Call & Vote Count – Election voters – Patty H. – 71 total voters

Elections – *From* Standing Committee Chairpersons *through* Archivist

Finance Committee Floor Actions – Special Event Insurance

- Good practice and necessitated by recent experience
- San Jac already requires insurance for each of our rentals \$213
- About \$600 for entire SETA Convention 2025 with \$1 million coverage
- Suggest paying from general fund for 2025 Convention only because Convention's budget was already set and approved by the Finance Committee

 –unfair to make the Convention Committee juggle money already planned and perhaps spent

Motion 1 - Passed by Finance Committee, so presented to the body with a Second; *Passed by substantial unanimity*

The SETA Finance Committee makes a motion to require all events, where the Southeast Texas Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous would be held liable (e.g. SETA Convention, SETA Assemblies, SWRAASA), carry special event liability insurance to protect from any losses stemming from personal injuries, property damage, medical payments, and lawsuits at an event.

Motion 2 - Passed by Finance Committee, so presented to the body with a Second; *Passed by substantial unanimity* _

The SETA Finance Committee makes a motion for the Area Assembly to carry the cost of the special event liability insurance for the 2025 SETA Convention. This one-time exception would allow the Area to be protected without adding to the already agreed upon budget for the upcoming convention.

Position	Panel 75	Туре	
Area Nominee Nominee for Trustee at Large-U.S.			
Nominee for Trustee at Large–U.S.	Troy B-D	Acclamation	
Ar	ea Officers		
Delegate	Christina S	Third Legacy	
Alternate Delegate	Bella L	Third Legacy	
Chairperson	Patricia H	Third Legacy	
Alternate Chairperson	Reino F	Majority [Note: P&P changed to Third Legacy in 2022]	
Registrar	Elizabeth G	Third Legacy	
Alternate Registrar	Edwin C	Acclamation	
Secretary	Fernando B	Third Legacy	
Alternate Secretary	Hannah S	Majority	
Treasurer	Aliciea M	Third Legacy	
Alternate Treasurer	Brandi W	Acclamation	
	nmittee Chairpersons		
Archives	Joel G	Acclamation	
CPC	Don M	Acclamation	
CFC	Harold B	Acclamation	
Finance	Kevin W	Acclamation	
Grapevine	Terry P	Acclamation	
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Multi-Lingual	Luis P	Acclamation	
Newsletter	Allise B	Acclamation	
Public Information (PI)	Michelle C	Acclamation	
SCAP	Charlie W	Acclamation	
TFC	OPEN	OPEN	
Convention Chairs			
2027 SETA Convention Chair	OPEN	OPEN	
In	tergroups		
Brazos Valley Intergroup	OPEN	OPEN	
Houston Intergroup	Byron T	Majority	
Ninth District Intergroup	OPEN	OPEN	
Oficina Intergrupal Hispana D63, 64	Jose M	Acclamation	
Intergrupo Hispano DelSW (D 62, 65, 66)	OPEN	OPEN	
Other			
Archivist	Julian (Juliann) L		
Webmaster	TBA-Elected within IT		
Alt Webmaster	TBA-Elected within IT		

Attachment:

• Finance Motions Special Event Insurance 9 18 2024