# Southeast Texas Area (SETA) 67 Correctional Facilities Committee (CFC) Monthly Meeting P.O. Box 925241, Houston, TX 77292-5241 **Approved Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER (Llame Pedir)** on 10/1/2016 at 10:00 pm by Chris at the Sheridan in Houston, TX with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. **ROLL CALL;** roughly 23 were in attendance.

#### INTRODUCTIONS (Introducciones) VISITORS/ VOLUNTEER (Voluntarios Neuevos y Visitants) and GENERAL SHARING

(Compartimiento Welcome visitors and regulars! Chris; Co chair, incoming CFC Chair, Earl; Beaumont CFC, Braun; volunteer at the Gist recovery unit, Jefferson jail, Stiles federal. We depend on them and they depend on us. Roy; volunteer at Huntsville, Darrington. Estell mtg. has around 60 people, signers too. Walls anniversary is 10/15, see him to get on the list. He needs your name & DL. Roland; Jester, Estelle, Darrington, PSJ & a Dayton doll volunteer, Luther. Olga; Welcome home grp, PSJ/Roland, interested in the new BAMBI mtg. Cindy started. Jim; Pathfinders in Huntsville, Ellis 4 Fri w/Roy, 4<sup>th</sup> Sat Eastham Freedom on the Inside grp, Coord. @ HSCO Open Door grp on Tue 6pm. Because the intercom hard to understand, not all Pods are informed about the mtg. Manual D64 cfc rep. Betura (sp?); D65 GSR, incoming Sec. for CFC. Ramone; D65, outgoing secretary. Larry; HSCO w/Jim. Has several volunteers starting. Marty; D31 GSR needs a blue can. His Grp voted white can out. Roland what happened to the white can money? Marty said they put it into the blue can. Roland said it belongs to CFC Houston. Chris said the decision is made by having a grp conscience. Paul; Lit Rep., Luther 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed w/Roland. Turn in book orders. Joe; going to 701 w/Mariano. Julio; first time visitor& is interested in cfc. Antonio; D64, GSR, Treasure. Atascosita unit (Lychner?) has approx. 10 members on Fridays. He goes grp to grp to get them motivated. Gary B.; D52 cfc chair, Rose Rich grp. Goes Thurs. to Jester 3, Tue to Kegan. Going to HSCO & wants to start a mtg. on a diff. floor. Getting Barry to go w/him. Currently in Vance reentry program. He feels blessed & grateful. Chewy; D66 Chair. Harold; Volunteer Coord, volunteers at FBCJ Fri mornings. John; first time visitor, First Light grp. His sponsor said get involved, so he's here to serve. Don; Atascosita unit, 2 volunteers need books. Zaz; PSJ & Galveston volunteer & past CFC chair. Cindy; Coord. for the BAMBI unit, Henley volunteer. Paul; past CFC chair. (Apologies for any one missed).

# CHAIR REPORT (Coordinador Informe) - Chris for Richard; Passed the roster.

He reminded us that the Assembly itinerary is a bit different this quarter. The area committee mtg is at 4pm. Voting on Sun. Out of town book orders filled first before regular orders. 3k is estimated on what we have to spend today since we are operating off an old treasurer's report.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** (Revision Minuto) - Cindy M; (Note, previous Minutes are posted on the SETA CFC website aa-seta.org) Sept. Minutes approved w/additions & correction as follows; Add CCS report. Paul gave the Sept. Lit. report, not Gary.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT (Informes de Tesorero) – Elizabeth S, Absent;** (Note, detailed financial reports are on the SETA CFC website aaseta.org)

Aug. amended version accepted. Joe asked where is his area grp total? Chris said it's on the Blue Can quarterly report. He has the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> quarterly report. He passed a sign-up list for anyone wanting it via email.

# OLD BUSINESS (Negocio Viejo):

- Ramsey campus to be renamed Stringfellow unit & they're <u>looking for volunteers</u>.
- All 4 CFC Areas meeting in Huntsville for a Summit in Oct. 2016.
- Conference Report; Amy said 211 people registered. Hotel cost \$3,145. Numbers are still coming in. Richard (Chair) suggested we post a final conference report, once done, to our website.
- Richard reminded volunteers to call Volunteer Services 936. 437. 3026 about their status if it's been more than 4-6 wks.
- Cindy is coordinating a new TDCJ unit; BAMBI, located in No. Houston. <u>Women volunteers needed</u>. Email her for more info.
- Committee elections in November at the Delta club. Look at job descriptions that was sent out, if there's any questions, see Chris or Richard.

#### NEW BUSINESS Nuevo Negocio) & QUESTIONS:

- Olga, has **2 guys looking to volunteer** for a unit. See her. Chris suggested talking w/Harold (Volunteer Coord.)
- Joe has a few problems w/701 unit. He's recruiting volunteers. Mtg. location change from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 4th floor. Need to talk w/Natasha re 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. Attendance is down from 25 to 2 because of preacher's mtg. and it goes right up to 8pm before the AA mtg. Chris said talk to them about changing time. He orders English lit because of a big need. Jim said there's a floor w/ English & has translator. It seems to be working out.
- Gary B. looking for volunteers for a new meeting @ HSCO.
- Chewy D66, we would like a workshop e/o Nov. on Sun 10am or 1<sup>st</sup> wk. of Dec. can you help us? Chris said yes, that's what we do & would welcome more cooperation between English & Spanish Districts.
- Chewy D66 asked if all the blue can money they collect must go to area or can we keep some? Chris said Blue Can money should come to this committee. It's less confusion and it goes for lit only which we are very accountable, but in the end its your grp conscience. Basket money is for the group's needs. Jim; because the can label states Area CFC Lit. it should be used just for that. Joe; used to put in 1k orders w/out consideration of other volunteers needs. His district monitors area Blue Can money & will place their own order if need be.
- Confirm Woodlands Serenity group donation is for Blue Can or Area Assembly.
- Larry, he was contacted about a new unit in Piedmont. What constitutes a CFC meeting? He will report next mtg.
- Someone asked about the final conference report. Chris said treasurer still working on it.
- Joe needs translations. Jim said hand to multi lingual committee to get translated.
- Cindy asked if Jails require TB testing. Larry said yes, jails have different approval status.
- In Sept. Chris D (Alt. Chair) got the committee recommendation vote for the incoming CFC Chair and was voted in by the Assembly in October. Congrats!!

#### CORRESPONDENCE/PRE-RELEASE (Correspondencia y Ante-Release)-Larry L (a/k/a Grizzly);

# 1 female letter looking for a sponsor. It's been delegated.

# <u> CFC Houston LIAISON (Enlace de CFC) – Roland;</u>

No report.

# BLUE CAN (Contenedor Azul)-Roy E;

Let me know if you need a Blue Can. In Aug., there was a large donation from the Woodland Serenity Group. We will double check with them to see if it's for Blue Can or Area donation.

# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (Tecnologia de la informacion)- Susan B;

Absent. Chris said the web site is all updated.

# LITERATURE REPORT (Literatura Informe) – Paul M;

Volunteer		Amt.	Unit
Roland R		\$277.00	Jester 3
Larry L.		\$264.50	Harris County Jail
Jim K.		<u>\$405.50</u>	Eastham
	Total	\$947.00	
	Budget	\$3,000.00	
	Remaining	\$2,053.00	
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*Meeting* 7-8pm 6 pm Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Sat.

#### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: Harold;

Put me to work! I need info on who goes to what units to do the job. He passed around a list.

**ADJOURNMENT (Aplazar):** We closed the meeting with the AA service statement.

The next monthly committee will be held at the Delta Club, 6400 Westpark, Houston. 7:30-9:00 pm

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

SETA 67 CFC Elections: November 16th, Delta club, 6400 Westpark 7:30-9:00 pm