

Southeast Texas Area 67(panel 65) CFC Monthly Meeting

CALL TO ORDER on 1/21/15, 7:30pm by Richard D. at Delta Club, 6400 Westpark Dr., Houston, TX with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. **ROLL CALL**; roughly 18 were in attendance. A special welcome to the following newcomers; Ana D., Bill, Bradford P., Johnni R., Gregory P., Lance B., & Vidal A. (apologies for any omissions).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SECRETARY'S (DECEMBER REPORT)- Elizabeth S;

Corrections of omitting the 2nd bullet under CPC in Old Business

Motion was made by Jim, 2nd by David to accept the minutes as amended.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Elizabeth S;

- “Persons to ADD as a signer on the SETA CFC bank account with the *** Bank: Richard D., Chairperson; Elizabeth S., Treasurer; Chris D., Alternate Chair. Motion made, seconded, passed.
- Persons to REMOVE as a signer on the SETA CFC bank account with the *** Bank: Fritz B. (prior Chair); Jim K. (prior Chair). Motion made, seconded, passed.”
- Month referenced as October 2014 should read November 2014. Motion was made by Tom, 2nd by Jim to accept the report as amended.
- Passing the basket collected \$19.00 for January rent donation which will be submitted to Delta Club.

CORRESPONDENCE/PRE-RELEASE-Larry L;

Received 8 letters requesting 1 lit. Order, 2 female, 1 male & 1 NA (which will be forwarded to Rose). Elizabeth had add'l letters to be given to Larry.

BLUE CAN-Roy E;

There were several requests for Blue Cans at the 1st Assembly. The collection there netted \$876.e which was doubled from previous year.

SETA CFC ANNUAL CONFERENCE- David N;

The individual room prices will be going up \$10.00, however, all other pricing remains the same. It is scheduled for 9/11/2015 at the Crowne Plaza on 59 in Houston, TX.

GRAPEVINE – OPEN

CHAIR REPORT- Richard D;

1st quarter Assembly; Tammy Z. spoke at the Assembly and she did a great job. Over 1500 were in attendance at the Assembly and he had several inquiries at the CFC information table.

Alt- CHAIR-Chris D;

He is not clear on his role as Alt. chair; however he expects to start some Ad Hoc Committees to improve relations with Area 67 jails and prisons.

LITERATURE REPORT-Paul M;

The following requests were made;

\$340.00 for Galveston, \$1081.00 for Harris County jail, \$160.00 for Dempsey Henley, \$2080.00 for Jester 3, \$580.00 for Harris County jail.

He will update the new pricing on the form request.

Motion was made by Herman, 2nd by Elizabeth to accept the report.

INTERGROUP CFC LIAISON- Tom K;

Tom reported Intergroup raised \$37k in 2014 from the White Can. They meet the 3rd Monday at 8PM at the Intergroup office.

IT/WEB REPORT-Susan B;

She requested the past Treasurer and Secretary forward their reports so she can update the SETA website. Roy offered the template for CFC lists.

SPANISH LIASON- Angelo;

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OLD BUSINESS

Grapevine Position remains open.

NEW BUSINESS

TDCJ Spring Orientation; Elizabeth & Joe will explore Spanish translation possibilities. Elizabeth will create the flyer for distribution.

Region 1 Wardens' Meeting; Richard D. commentated it would be preferable to have CPC involved to help dispel negative/false information regarding AA. Chris, Elizabeth and Lance volunteered to be a part of that meeting.

GENERAL SHARING *(Group, District, Facilities Reps & Visitors)*

- Cindy M. (D-40) went to her first mtg on Thurs. at Henley Mtg. There were 7 in attendance.
- Elizabeth S. goes to the Henley Mtg. on the "Stateside". Approximate attendance is 10 women.
- Bill (D40) announced Jester III mtg. has been added for Thursday nights, 7-8pm. It's a Big Book study with approx. 25 in attendance and is need of volunteers.
- Ana D. (D-40) attends the Jester III mtg. and they try to have a monthly speaker.
- Johnni R. (New Comer grp. GSR @ Fort Bend club) is visiting.
- Brian (D-52) reported his volunteer application was denied, but is looking for other ways to volunteer.
- Gregory (D-64) has 14 groups, 6 volunteers. Each month, someone comes with "Blue Can" contributions.
- Joe (Hispanic Area 65) The District CFC meetings are held every Tuesday. He's working on getting badges for several volunteers. He also brought \$50.00 in donations.
- Lance B. (CFC Rep/Cathedral Grp) He is awaiting application approval and plans on attending the Jester mtg.
- Herman F. goes w/ Joe to Henley, Darrington, Ellis, Luther and Ferguson Units.
- Roy E. said the Luther Unit had a recent lockdown. He also goes to the Darrington, Ferguson, The Walls, Byrd, and Ellis Units.
- Chris D. goes w/Herman to Kegans Unit on Tuesdays.
- Larry L. reported he is recovering from bronchitis, (neighbors promptly scooted away). He is Acting CFC Rep for D-20 until they elect someone.
- Jim K. (Past Chairman) is looking forward to having more time to do CFC 12 step work. He goes to 6 TDCJ mtgs on a weekly basis. Tuesday he attends the Harris County Jail and they have some long-term sobriety there (up to 3 years).
- Susan B. (D-81) Goes to Plane State, Dayton on the 5th Wed (4 times a yr.) Tammy Z. coordinates the volunteers for this unit. I coordinate the Galveston County Jail mtgs. and have a good relationship w/the Warden. Approx. 30 incarcerated women are in attendance. Since they can have only 1 pod at a time, they use a live cam. Her total volunteer count is 12 each of men & women. I have gotten to know 5 released women who are coming to the "local outside" meetings. District 81 group's focus has been the Carol Young Med Unit (prison). They also provide education of CFC service opportunities to AA members with workshops and pamphlets.
- Richard D. was released from the Briscoe Unit 7.5 years ago and attends the Luther and "The Walls" (Huntsville) Unit.

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

TDCJ Spring Orientation will be held March 21, 2015 9am – 1pm at Houston Intergroup.

There will be a Region 1 Wardens Meeting held in late March at the Holliday Unit in Huntsville. Exact date to come.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting ended at 9:00 pm. The next CFC meeting will be on 2/18/15 at 7:30 pm at the Delta Club, 6400 Westpark Dr., Houston,