

Southeast Texas Area 67(panel 65) CFC Monthly Meeting

CALL TO ORDER on 3/18/15, 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 17 were in attendance. A special welcome to the newcomers!!

Preliminary Minutes

SECRETARY'S (FEBRUARY'S REPORT)- CINDY M;

- Corrections of Orientation date from 3/21 to 3/28, add 10am-1pm to Harris Co. Orientation, Delete Chris; Tri City Grp comment from General Sharing, Add Jamaica Beach Grp. Brought \$50.00 in Blue Can donations. Motion was made & 2nd to accept the minutes as amended.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Elizabeth S;

- January & February's report was submitted.
- Last month's \$400.00 discrepancy was due to incorrect formula format which is now fixed. However in her search, found \$48.00 proceeds from the Ice Cream Social in 2014 were entered on the books, but it appears it didn't make it to the bank. She will research it & report on it at the next meeting. Motion was made & 2nd to accept the report as amended.

VISITORS AND VOLUNTEER QUESTIONS/CONCERNS/COMMENTS:

Visitor Romeo C. (Bunker Hill Men's grp @ Holy Name) volunteers at Jester 1 and Harris County. Welcome!
Suzanne (Friends of Bill W. a Post Oak) asked if women can go into men's prisons. The answer is yes.

OLD BUSINESS

- Grapevine Position remains open. *(Pass the word to someone who wants the opportunity to get involved.)*
- Region 1 Wardens' meeting; Roy reported C.P.C. (Cooperation with Professional Community) did a good job with their presentation even though they had only 15 minutes allotted. He overheard the Warden's talk afterwards and they spoke favorably. Also, if we get 10 or more people looking to volunteer, they will schedule a Special Orientation.

CORRESPONDENCE/PRE-RELEASE-Larry L;

He received 8 letters. 3 were from females, 5 were from males looking for;
Pre-release information on half-way house, addresses to AA groups, sponsor contact & AA literature. One was for out of state information that will be forwarded to that Intergroup.

SETA CFC LIAISON to INTERGROUP CFC- Tom K; (3rd Monday, 8PM at Intergroup)

Richard shared what he did as the CFC Liaison and the important link between Seta CFC & Intergroup CFC.

BLUE CAN-Roy E;

- He has a couple inmates making hand-made "Thank You" cards.
- Suzanne (Friends of Bill W.@ Post Oak) brought \$90.25 in blue can donations.
- Miguel from District 66 brought \$50.00 in blue can donations.
- Susan from Jamaica Beach brought \$30.00
- Roland from 3rd Tradition brought \$21.75

SETA CFC ANNUAL CONFERENCE- David N; (9/11/2015 at the Crowne Plaza on 59 in Houston)

- Kick off meeting was held on Saturday, positions were filled (however, volunteers are always needed). The hotel is booked. This is the 1st year we will have a band! All speaker positions are filled except the Spanish Saturday speaker. Larry will help out with the Professional panel.
- Do not turn in registrations without payment. The registration will be \$15.00. We will be giving away scholarships.

GRAPEVINE – OPEN

(Please come to the next meeting & volunteer or nominate someone!!!)

CHAIR REPORT- Richard D;

- He received a special letter from G.S.O. in New York regarding a recent registration. It's the Jester Unit Ana & Jim attends. They have a G.S.R. inside and Jim is the Alt. G.S.R. on the outside, which will enable him to vote for the group at the upcoming Assemblies.

Co- CHAIR-Chris D;

- He revamped the Agenda format which everyone liked and appreciated. Thanks Chris!

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IT/WEB REPORT-Susan B:

- We are using Dodo (free email group broadcast system) for the Committee member's correspondence. As Group Administrator, you can contact me for further information.
- Our Web site is pretty much updated.

LITERATURE REPORT-Chris D. for Paul M;

- Roy (Byrd, Darrington) \$975.00, Larry L. (Harris Co.) \$968.00, Susan B. (Carole Young) \$858.00, Jerry K (Montgomery Co) \$190.00, Debbie L.-B. (Harris Co.) \$430.00 for a total of \$3,421.00. Motion was made and 2nd to accept the report.
- It was voted and approved to spend \$1000.00 on Grapevine subscriptions.

SPANISH LIASON- Angelo:

N/A

NEW BUSINESS

- 3rd Tradition Workshop; Due to low attendance in 2014, we cut the BBQ food budget to \$100.00. Some highlights at the Workshop will be a CFC Panel for Q&A and a Power Point presentation. This is a great workshop for people thinking about doing service in the Correctional area. There was general discussion on 2014 low attendance & possibly moving host location next year.
- Next conference planning meeting will be at the Sheraton at 5:30 after the CFC meeting in the Houston Room.

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Pack I Anniversary March 28th, 2015 12 pm – 4 pm
- Byrd Unit Anniversary April 26, 2015 (Sunday). Special volunteers are welcomed and if you want to be on the list email Roy @ ryrocover@aol.com He will be turning in the list 2 weeks prior to the event.
- SETA Assembly April 11-12 at the Sheraton North, Houston, TX. (Note, our monthly mtg. will be held there)
- Chris R. Step 1 Workshop April 11th 10 am -12 pm at Intergroup, Houston, TX

GENERAL SHARING

Due to the time, we were not able to general share.

ADJOURNMENT:

We collected \$22.00 for rent. We closed the meeting at 9:30ish with the AA service statement.

NOTE:

- The next CFC meeting will be held at the Assembly 4/11/2015 (Saturday) at 4:30pm at the Sheraton North located at 15700 John F. Kennedy Blvd, Houston, TX. We will be meeting in the room "Houston". Please note; we will **not** be meeting at the Delta club this month. Please help to remind everyone.
- 2015 CFC Conference Planning Meeting (in the same room) will follow the committee meeting after a short break.