

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

CALL TO ORDER (Llame Pedir) on 8/11/2015, 7:30pm by Richard D. at the Delta Club, Houston, TX with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. **ROLL CALL;** roughly 23 were in attendance. A special welcome to the newcomers!!

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

(Compartimiento): A special welcome to new visitors, Brett & Joe!

Elizabeth; volunteers at Henley, Estelle, Holiday and the Walls occasionally. Herman; volunteers at 8 different units. Eric; is the CFC Rep & Treasurer for his district. Susan, Jamaica Beach Grp.; coordinator for Galveston and volunteers the 5th Wed. at Plane State. Miguel (D66); brought \$195.00 in donations to the meeting. Thank You! Tom K.; Open Door Grp. Dan, Bellaire Grp; recently spoke at the Jester 3 unit. Roy volunteers at 8+ units. Charles, Post Oak Grp CFC Co-chair; volunteered at the Ellis Grad program until recently due to his schedule. Looking to fit it in his new schedule. Chris; volunteer at the Kegan Unit. Roland; volunteers at 4 units. Joe, D65 CFC Chair; gives a report every Saturday. Every 1st Wed. he tries to get with the Districts. (18 groups he visits to keep informed about the upcoming orientation & Blue cans). Richard, Chair; continues to volunteer at the Luther, Wynne, Walls & Ellis because someone did it for him. Jim K., We're Not Saints Grp; volunteers at the Eastham Walls, Ellis and occasionally Luther. He no longer goes to the Ferguson Unit. Newcomer Joe; He's been in a Texas prison and is looking to volunteer. Newcomer Brett; Former prisoner and recognizes some members here tonight that visited his "gated community." Larry; Goes to Harris Co. w/ Jim. Gary B., CFC Home Grp Rep, D52 CFC Chair; volunteers at Jester 3 every Thur. Cindy M.; brought \$250.00 from D40 donation for the conference Saturday luncheon.

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS/COMMENTS:

- Paul; Goes to the Luther w/ Roland and **HE NEEDS** to get a sub for the next 2 months.
- Joe, D65; got approved and **HE NEEDS** to get w/ an individual to go into prison.
- Newcomer Joe; He's looking to volunteer.

SECRETARY'S REPORT- CINDY M;

- Review July's Minutes (Revision Minuto)

Correct spelling on; East hamm unit s/b Eastham, Guess unit, s/b Gist and it's a state jail, not county jail.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Informes de Tesorero) – Elizabeth S; (Note, detailed financial reports are on the SETA CFC website aa-seta.org)

Motion was made by to accept the report.

OLD BUSINESS (Negocio Viejo):

Grapevine Position remains open. *(Pass the word to someone who wants the opportunity to get involved.)*

- *Charles said the CCS Workshop @ Post Oak had a really good turnout of people that are current volunteers and new people. A job well done to all and he recommends it become an annual event.*
- *Larry commented it was the best panel he's experienced & has rec'd email inquiries as a result. He would like to see more groups have workshops like that.*
- Richard has rec'd a call as well from that workshop. GSO needs male correspondence & workshops help in getting the word out.
- Charles offered to have a table at his 9/5 Alcañon for CCS volunteer signup/info.

NEW BUSINESS Nuevo Negocio):

There was clarification about the Intergroup Liaison position. It was noted Herman F. was voted in, but we failed to notify him. He accepted and we look forward to his future reports.

Dianne M. rec'd an email about another committee (Rick from CPC) setting up a table at the Conference. It was discussed (space availability), voted & passed to welcome other committees at the Conference.

CORRESPONDENCE/PRE-RELEASE (Correspondencia y Ante-Release)-Larry L;

Rec'd 31 letters. 17 from men, 14 from women. He noted an inmate is making multiple requests on behalf of others in one letter. Some individuals are requesting multiple books.

- Policy clarification consensus; 1 book per request due to our monthly can donations.
- Policy clarification consensus; large print requests will receive regular size books instead of the smaller pocket size.

There were no letter requests in Spanish. HSCO set up a mailbox on the 7th floor for AA. Which we receive inmate mail. Tom mentioned about the value of sending out pamphlets. Grapevine subscripts. goes to CCS & the segregated really could use them (a meeting in print!).

INTERGROUP LIAISON (Enlace de CFC) – Herman F;

Richard reported the Round Up raised over \$5K (which includes 1K donated from Intergroup) Pack Unit donated handmade gifts and The Walls group made leather Big Book covers for the event.

BLUE CAN (Contenedor Azul)-Roy E;

Brought extra blue cans to hand out. Sent a large mail out of thank you cards. Gary B.'s group got one and it was very touching.

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

Cindy M. brought a couple of subscriptions donated from District 40 & passed it on to the CCS member (Larry) for distribution. GSR's from D40 is bringing old Grapevines to the meeting. The Henley Thurs. group got a batch & signed a Thank you card to the Bear Creek Fellowship group.

CHAIR REPORT (Coordinador Informe) - Richard D .Co- CHAIR-Chris D;

The Walls 69th Anniversary is coming up in October. Flying in a speaker with 51 yrs. of sobriety. Money was raised to cover the flight by passing the basket. People not yet in the volunteer system may be able to attend. Email Richard (SETA CFC) if you want to attend. Visit groups and pass the word about the upcoming CFC Conference.

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

All Minutes & Financials are up to date. Reminder that last names & personal email addresses are not allowed on SETA website. Website is not designed for iPad or phones...yet. This coming Sat is the Goto meeting.

LITERATURE REPORT (Literatura Informe) - Paul M;

<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Amt.</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Meeting</i>
Susan B	\$1,092.00	Galveston County Jail	Tuesday 6:15-7:15 (F); 7:30-8:30 (M)
Elizabeth S	\$438.00	Henley Unit	Thurs. 7pm
Roy E	\$326.00	Darrington	
Richard D for Earl R	\$380.00	Polunsky Unit	
Joe Z	\$326.00	HCSO-701 Jail (2nd Floor)	
Harold P	\$326.00	Ft Bend County Jail	Friday 9:30 am
Miguel O	\$520.00	HCSO-701	Friday 7pm
Roland R	\$360.00	Darrington, Henley	Sunday & Thursday
Larry L	\$538.00	Harris County	Tuesday 6pm
Total	\$4,306.00		
Blue Can Budget	(\$4,389.89)		
Remain =	\$83.89		

SPANISH LIASON- Angelo; Absent/No report

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

2015 CFC Conference: Sept 11-13 at the Crowne Plaza Suites Hotel. 9090 SW Freeway, Houston TX 77074 (flyer incl.)

The Walls Anniversary: Date change to October 17th, 2015. Email the CFC Chair to get on the list.

9/4/2015; Post Oak Alcahthon: Correctional speaker- Chuck M.

ADJOURNMENT (Aplazar): We closed the meeting at 8:30ish with the AA service statement, and collected \$29.00 in basket money.

NOTE:

The next CFC meeting will be held at the 9/16/2015, 7:30 pm at the Delta club, 6400 Westpark, Houston, TX