AREA FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

March 20, 2021

10:00 am-11:00 pm

Zoom Meeting

URL: https://zoom.us/j/386759333

Password: 136819

Open Meeting: 10:00 am with Serenity Prayer___

<u>Committee Purpose:</u> This committee prepares the budget for the following fiscal year. This is done with the Budget Committee comprised of the Area treasure, Finance Chair and any assembly member requiring funding for approved Area service work. Also, we study and review the needs of the Assembly as a whole, as they relate to income and expense; with an aim to insure a healthy, but practical Area financial status that honors the intent of the Seventh Tradition of self- report.

Introductions: 10 attendees

Betsy G. – Committee Member Elizabeth G. – Finance Secretary Meece' T. - Committee Member Reino F. - Committee Member Ron S. – Committee Chair

Secretary Minutes: Reviewed, corrected, and approved by the committee. The approved minutes will be sent to webmaster for posting.

Webpage Report: Current and up to date.

Ongoing Business:

I <u>Budget Meeting Proposal</u> – (moving budget meeting to Nov)

Reino F. received an email from Troy B-D regarding joining the Budget Meeting Proposal committee to propose moving budget meeting to Nov. Reino F. investigated the Secretary of State website under David Fifer 2016 registrar site and could not find the SETA By-Laws. He also emailed the SETA CPA – Portia who responded her company does not have the SETA bylaws as well.

II <u>PO Box Account</u> - Ron S. spoke about a past SETA treasurer whose name was on the Post Office box account and the PO box was locked until the new treasurer - Ron S. paid the account/changed the name. Betsy G. mentioned the SETA treasurer needs to change the PO Box name on the account at the beginning of the SETA term, so the post office knows who to contact. Reino F. will go to the post office to have his name placed on the PO Box account.

Reino F. will meet with Prosperity Bank & Paul to close the SCAP bank account this week. He will put the SCAP funds in the account (SCAP line item - on pg. 2).

Ron S. shared Christina S. would like him to present a workshop in April's Assembly about "How the Finance Committee got to the point of a proposal to move the budget meeting to Nov." Betsy G. clarified that the P & P (pg. 9) states, "The proposed budget in the second quarterly assembly and be voted on in the third quarterly assembly of the given year." The committee would be able to present the budget in the workshop time slot on Saturday's Assembly. This would allow GSR's to address the proposed budget to their groups.

New Business:

Betsy G. addressed last term's finance committee did a lot of "cleaning up" files, tasks etc. whereas there may not be a lot of work this year. She went on to say, in April's Assembly, we will need to decide on the funds to be distributed to the General Service Office for the Delegate – additional funds to "fully fund the Delegate." This will need to be on the Finance Committee agenda for April's meeting.

Ron S. addressed the question, "Will there be a General Conference this year?" Betsy G. stated there would be a General Conference and it will be virtual. Reino F. will investigate what amount of SETA funds were sent to General Service Office last year as contributions. Ron will look at the Finance Committee materials for additional information - what the committee is to be working on this year.

Betsy G. mentioned there will be new GSR's at the April Assembly and perhaps Ron S. would address, "what fully funding the Delegate means." Reino F. will forward Kris H.'s letter to the Finance Committee members regarding this issue. Meece' T. suggested SETA members could be directed to the Finance Committee website to look at the "Fully Funding Delegate" power point for clarification.

There will be a discussion at the end of the workshop whereas the committee will meet Saturday afternoon to determine the amount sent to General Service Office. The committee reinforced the issue as this is the way the P & P reads, "The Finance Committee has the final decision on how much money will be sent to GSO."

New Business: None Reported

Next Meeting: April 10, 2021 – 4:30 pm via Zoom

Close Meeting: Responsibility Statement