

SETA 67
GRAPEVINE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
July 14, 2018

Melanie M. opened the meeting at 4:30pm with the Serenity Prayer.

Roll Call:

Melanie M. (Area 67 Grapevine Chair)
Kimberly L. (Alter. Area 67 Grapevine Chair, District 81 GVR)
Cindy J. (Area 67 Grapevine Secretary)
Ricardo D. (Tri City GVR, District 52)
Nicole L. (GVR Atascocita Group, District 31)
Barbara E. (District 31 GVR)
Mark W. (GVR LaBranch Group)
Sarah C. (District 51 GVR)
Robert Mc. (GSR Caring & Sharing, District 51)
Roland R. (SETA CFC GVR)
Patty B. (God Meeting GVR)
Cynthia R. (God Meeting Alter. GVR)
Teri V. (District 82 GVR, GSR Alvin Taylor Street)
Elizabeth G. (GSR Katy Big Book)
Kim F. (Kingwood GVR, District 31)

Approval of Minutes:

June 21, 2018 Minutes were made available prior to the meeting for review. Minutes approved

Grapevine Joke of the Month:

Ron (Area 67 Delegate, Panel 67) stopped by during the meeting and told the joke of the month: "My mom told me I had to quite acting like a penguin, so I put my foot down".

Grapevine News

Copies of the June Grapevine News were made available for review. (attached in Records Book)

Grapevine Workbook: *Chapter 6: AA Grapevine, Inc.*

Due to the power being out in the building this was postponed to August Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Grapevine Workshop at SETA Assembly

Kimberly L. reported that she has spoken with Michelle and it was an oversight on her part that the Grapevine Workshop was not on the July SETA Agenda. However, Michelle did state that she would put the Grapevine Workshop on the October Agenda.

Discussion: There was some discussion concerning if the committee currently has funds for a workshop and whether there is time to prepare for a workshop by October.

Action: This will be discussed further at the August GV Committee meeting.

B. Rental of Meeting Space at Delta Club

Melanie M. reported that the rent was paid for 6 months in June to Delta Club.

C. Grapevine Gifts Baskets from Area Funds

Pending Requests: The committee has a pending request from District 52 for a giveaway to be presented to the Star of Hope. Melanie M. reported that she has spoken to the contact given her at Star of Hope and stated that they said whatever we could do would be appreciated.

Action: Melanie M. will put together a gift basket for Star of Hope and bring to next meeting.

D. 2018 Budget Spending

Cindy J. requested copies of receipts from Melanie M. to be attached to the June meeting minutes.

Action: Melanie M. will provide copies of receipts.

E. Grapevine Workshop Standard Presentation

Cindy J. reported that she has not yet put together a standard format to present to the committee. She has spoken with Barbara G. who will be forwarding additional materials that could be used. Barbara G. suggested a panel format at the beginning of the workshop to provide information on Grapevine history, content, IT, ways to participate, etc.

Action: Cindy J. will work on possible formats. Committee members will bring their ideas and suggestions to the next meeting.

Committee Updates:

a. District 52, Ricardo D.

Ricardo D. reported District 52 has decided not to have a Grapevine Workshop at this time.

Discussion: Teri V., District 82 suggested that District 82 and District 52 consider a joint Grapevine Workshop.

Action: Teri V. and Ricardo D. will meet to discuss.

b. District 31, Barbara E.

District 31 has scheduled a Grapevine Workshop for September 8, 2018 at the Kingwood Group 12p-3p.

Action: This committee will provide presenters, materials to be copied and ideas to District 31 for this workshop. As many committee members as possible will attend.

c. District 82, Teri V.

Teri is working with her District on increasing subscriptions and would like to do a presentation of some sort.

Action: This committee will support any presentation/workshop done in the District, however funds for presentation would need to come from the District.

d. District 60 Roland R.

District 60 is having a Labor Day "Get-together" and requested that this committee provide a Grapevine Display at the event.

Action: Melanie M. will be attending this event and will set up a Grapevine Display.

New Business

1. District 90 Assembly

District 90 is hosting a District 90 Assembly in Beaumont in August.

Motion: Melanie made a motion to Have a Grapevine Display at the Assembly and to have a raffle giving away 1 Grapevine Subscription Certificate, 1 La Vina Subscription

Certificate, or 1 GV Book in English or 1 Grapevine Book in Spanish. Kimberly L. seconded, motion passed.

Action: Melanie M. will attend the District 90 Assembly.

2. Ways to Increase Grapevine Subscriptions

Teri V. asked for suggestions on ways to increase interest and subscriptions to Grapevine.

Discussion: The committee discussed various ideas and the following suggestions were made:

- Place Grapevine Subscription Form in Newcomer Packets
- Place copy of a Grapevine magazine in Newcomer Packets
- District GVRs could hand out GV Subscription Certificates to groups in their district to use as door prizes/giveaways. The certificates would be purchased from that district's GV budget.
- Educate groups about Grapevine, ie; Grapevine website, Grapevine App, Grapevine Books
- Talk to Districts/Groups about having Grapevine meetings

Action: This will be discussed further at the August meeting.

Announcements:

The August Area 67 Grapevine Committee Meeting will be held August 16, 2018 at the Delta Club and will begin at 7:00pm.

The meeting was Adjourned at 5:45 pm.