

## AREA 67 GRAPEVINE COMMITTEE

February 21, 2019

### Minutes

Kimberly L. opened the meeting at 7:03 with the Serenity Prayer

**Attendees:** Kimberly L., Nicole L., Cindy J., Craig B., Jackson S.

**I. Approval of November 15, 2018 Minutes**

Minutes were approved with no amendments.

**II. Grapevine News**

The Grapevine News, for February and March 2019 were reviewed. Kimberly L. stated that she has received a packet "Building Connections with Grapevine's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Toolkit from Grapevine.

**III. Old Business**

**A. Grapevine Workshop Standard Presentation**

Cindy J. did not bring the presentation book to this meeting for review by the committee. She will bring to the March meeting. Kimberly L. stated that she will speak to Area at the April Assembly regarding presenting a workshop this year at an Assembly.

**B. Ways to Increase Grapevine Subscriptions**

- ✓ Craig B. has Grapevine Subscription Forms out at his group and announces Grapevine and where to find those forms at the end of each meeting. He is requesting that they buy back issues of grapevine to have available for members, however the funds have not yet been approved.
- ✓ Kimberly L. stated that her home group there is a Grapevine display (she will bring a picture of it to March meeting) and suggested other groups could do the same. She also suggested a poster about On-Line Subscriptions.
- ✓ Kimberly L. will be requesting that each District of Area 67 allow her to attend their District meeting and give a brief presentation on Grapevine and ways to participate. She will bring the Area 67 Districts' meeting schedule to the March meeting. Kimberly suggested a give-away at each District meeting the committee visits.

**C. On-Line Committee Meetings**

Kimberly L. is gathering Information on "Zoom" – for on-line meetings. This will be discussed at March meeting.

**D. 2019 SETA Convention**

Kimberly L. reported the give-aways and Marathon meetings went very well. This committee chaired 2 Marathon Meetings, 10pm Friday and 10pm Saturday. The meetings were on specific topics and Grapevine stories were read on these topics and discussed.

There were separate raffle tickets for English, Spanish and 1<sup>st</sup> timers: 1 first timers certificate was given out, 2 english and 1 spanish certificates were given away and a Grapevine book was purchased by an attendee and given away.

**E. 2018 Resources**

Melanie M. (2017-2018 Grapevine Committee Chair), gave Kimberly L. a box with the remaining Grapevine Committee resources from 2018 which she had

during the convention. Kimberly L. stated that what Melanie gave back to the committee does not match with the receipts Melanie M. provided this committee for purchases in 2018.

#### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

##### **1. 2019 Committee Budget**

Kimberly L. has spent \$289.00 of the 2019 Grapevine Committee Budget:

- 2 La Vina Subscriptions Certificates
- 10 Grapevine Subscription Certificates

##### **2. Request from Houston Area Disaster Committee**

Nicole L. was approached by Peter C., Chair of the Houston Area Disaster Committee, for help with providing issues of Grapevine to be placed in Disaster Relief supplies.

**Discussion:** The committee discussed this request and had some questions:

- How many back issues is he requesting? Nicole will call him to get an estimate of what he thinks will be needed.
- How much do past issues of Grapevine cost? Cindy J. stated that currently a pack of 30 back issues is approximately \$60.00 with shipping. Kimberly I. will contact Grapevine to see if any discounts could be available.

This will be discussed further at the March meeting.

##### **3. National Corrections Convention 2019**

The National Corrections 2019 Convention will be held in Houston this fall. The Corrections Conference Planning Committee has asked if Area 67 Grapevine Committee is willing to participate by providing a Grapevine Display during the conference and a give-away.

**Motion:** Nicole L. made a motion to approve participating in the 2019 Corrections Convention with a display and give-away, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> Cindy J.

**Motion Approved**

##### **4. District 31 2019 Workshop(s)**

Nicole L. wants to have 2 Grapevine Workshops in District 31 this year. She suggested that one of the workshops be in the summer at lake Livingston. The committee thought this a wonderful idea. Nicole will research possible dates and locations.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm