SETA Area 67 Grapevine Committee

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 19, 2023

Meeting Called to Order

Darryl W. called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, followed by the "Serenity Prayer."

Attendees

Darryl W. - SETA Area 67 Grapevine Chair

Terry P. - SETA Area 67 Grapevine Alternate Chair

Kevin W. - District 70 DCM

Alaina R. - 494 Group in Porter GVR

Melissa R. - SETA Area 67 Grapevine Treasurer

Veronica B.

Sylvester F. - Acres Home Recovery Group GVR

Tammy R. - Katy 12 & 12 Group GVR

Thad D. - SETA Area 67 Grapevine Secretary

Josey J. - District 90 GVR

Orientation

Read by Darryl W.

Tradition of the Month

Alaina R. read Tradition Ten with two checklist questions. Thad D. is to read Tradition Eleven and questions next month.

Reports

Secretary's Report

No corrections were suggested for our September meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report

The lodging expense of \$104.13 for the October assembly is the only new expense. This brings our remaining balance to \$638.05. The committee is urged to decide how this will be spent. Electronic purchases are no longer approved. The IT Committee will solely handle the procurement of these items. Discussions with the finance committee have involved updating our line item descriptions to suit today's needs. For example, funds earmarked for outdated needs such as postage and room rental could be redistributed to serve the committee more effectively.

Old Business

The following topics were reviewed:

GVAC Workshop - On September 21, our Chair, Darryl W. met on Zoom with Grapevine Area Chairs across North America to discuss the new Grapevine App.

Grapevine Workshops in Districts 20 and 32.

October SETA Area 67 Assembly - The assembly approved the 2024 Grapevine budget of \$2,354. The Grapevine committee presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Grapevine App.

New Business

Attention SETA Area 67 Grapevine Reps - You are encouraged to attend area meetings, study the Grapevine material provided in the shared drive, construct a Grapevine display, and register as a representative on aagrapevine.org. Please familiarize yourself with and inform your groups about the Grapevine App. Grapevine is working on providing a way to gift the app. Your comments sent through the app could expedite this process.

TDCJ and Grapevine - Thoughts were discussed about taking Grapevine Writing Workshops to the prisons.

District 31 Founders Day - GVR's are encouraged to help with the Grapevine display at this event on November 4, 2023. A flier will be sent out to the committee.

Remaining Budget - The committee discussed ideas about our remaining funds.

Motion: Terry P. moved to spend the remaining budget on Grapevine Subscriptions, Grapevine Books, and items to repair, upgrade, and enhance the Grapevine Committee's display items such as tri-folds, lights, and decorations. **Passed.**

Grapevine Christmas Dinner - The Grapevine Committee will be having a Christmas dinner in December. Let us know your thoughts and ideas.

Adjournment

Tammy R. made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM. This motion was seconded by Josey J. and followed with the "Responsibility Statement."