SETA 67 Grapevine Committee Meeting Minutes January 16, 2013

The meeting opened at 7:09 pm by Barbara G. at the Delta Club. Grapevine Reps present were Andres P. (Sobriedad y Atraccion), Betty Ann D. (Rule 62 Group), Cynthia R. (The God Meeting), and David C. (Kingwood Group). Guests were Cole D. (ICYPAA Grapevine Chair), Ford S. (DCM District 20), Patrick C. (Area Delegate), Melissa R. (Alt. Area Delegate).

We opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer and made introductions. Sign-in sheet was distributed.

Minutes were available for Dec. meeting. Betty Ann made motion to accept with Cynthia making second. Passed.

The open position for Alt. GV Chair and Secretary were considered but no one stood.

Old Business: Barbara suggested the Grapevine Handbook review be moved to end of meeting if there is time.

Barbara thanked Joe S., Jeff M., and Donna F., for manning the display table at SETA January Convention. We had 108 people to enter the Guess the Grapes contest and Lynda R. of Conroe won. She was mailed a hard copy of *Language of the Heart*. Barbara gave \$137 to the Area Treasurer from sale of literature.

New Business:

- a. District 20 DCM, Ford S., asked the Grapevine Committee to join them for their Spring Workshop. We shall conduct a writing/audio GV workshop on April 26 from 1-4 at Houston Council on Alcohol & Drugs, 303 Jackson Hill. This is the 70th Anniversary of the Grapevine and we hope to flood the publishing department with entries from SETA 67. Ford agreed to work on the flyer, posting to SETA web site as well as Intergroup, and provide beverages and food. Barbara will get topics in advance to Ford. Patrick agreed to have flyer translated from English to Espanol. Photography is also an area of interest for "If Walls could Talk" and the annual GV calendar.
- b. Patrick C. enlightened us by listing 12 Ways to Serve our Fellowship. Copies were distributed. A letter written by Regional Trustee, Clayton V., regarding LaVina was read and available. He reviewed the current Grapevine agenda items. Each year the Committees look at their perspective Handbook and encouraged us to do so.
- c. Melissa R. spoke of the upcoming Gratitude Dinner in Nov. from 2-6. This annual event is a combined success of all Districts in the area assuming different responsibilities. The venue may change this year to different location.
- d. Barbara shared the sorrow of losing one of our GvRs. Cindy T., of the Katy Big Book Group, passed away suddenly and sober around Thanksgiving. She was an active member of our Committee who was so enthusiastic about her service position, manned the GV table in June at TX State Conv., faithfully attended monthly meetings until October, and started a folder of minutes, agenda, GV newsletters, etc. to pass on to the next Katy BB GvR so they would have a starting point. We passed around a basket and collected \$112 that will be sent to the Area in Cindy's memory.

No time to review the Handbook. Will be placed on next month's agenda time permitting.

The next meeting will be held at the **Delta Club at 7 pm on March 20, 2014.**

We closed with "The Responsibility Statement".

In service and appreciation for all you do, Barbara G. SETA 67 Grapevine Chair