SETA 67 Grapevine Committee Meeting Minutes March 20, 2014

The meeting opened by Barbara G. at the Delta Club with Serenity Prayer at 7:10 pm. Grapevine Reps present were Dave C. (Kingwood Group), Ronnie G. (Big Book Group in Humble), and Rodney G. (LaBranch Street Group). The DCM from District 20, Ford S., was also present.

Minutes were available for February meeting. Barbara stated the service position for Cole D. attending last month should read "DCM-20 Alternate", year should read 2014 rather than 2013, and agenda should have reported the next Area Meeting is April 12 (not 19). With these corrections, minutes were approved unanimously.

The open position for Alt. GV Chair and Secretary were considered but no one stood. Barbara G. will send Guidelines for Alternate Chair to Dave C. and Rodney G. for review.

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

New Business: Barbara said she misunderstood the position of the Grapevine Committee with the upcoming District 20 Spring workshop. Instead of focusing on the history, mission, and offerings of our magazine, two panelists will provide tips and guidelines for writing, recording, and submitting photos. After the 30 minute presentation, we will break up into three sections (Writing, Audio & Photography). One table with be available for actual writing of personal stories or sending short letters to "Dear Editor". Another will have phones and laptops to upload photos of your home group to "If These Walls Could Talk". The last table will allow you to record and upload a 7 minute topic story to the Grapevine. All tables will have pen and paper available plus copies of our "magazine in print" for reference and reading. Dave C. volunteered to do the Audio Recording segment on the panel. He will play Mark D.'s short audio from the Grapevine website as a sample recording in addition to reviewing the Tips for Audio Recordings. Printed copies of Writing & Recording Guidelines will be on all tables. The famous "Grape Guessing Contest" will complete the workshop as we offer *Language of the Heart* book to the winner.

Change monthly meeting from 7:00 to 7:30. After discussion it was unanimous that we will move the meeting by 30 minutes hoping to provide easier drive time to all Committee members.

The next meeting will be held at the **Area Assembly from 4:30-5:30 in the El Paso Room. We** meet at the Sheraton North Houston, 15700 John F. Kennedy Blvd., Houston 77032.

We closed with "The Responsibility Statement".

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