SOUTHEAST TEXAS AREA 67 QUARTERLY ASSEMBLY Meeting Sunday January 14, 2007

I. Open – Bonita W. –

Bonita opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer. Bonita recognized Gary K., SW Regional trustee, Beth R. Past regional trustee and past delegate (Panel 39), past Delegates: Marvin W. (Panel 51), Paul M. (Panel 53), and Charles P. (Panel 55).

- **II. Preamble Tandy B. –** read the preamble to the SETA Policies and Procedures Manual. We have 67 new GSRs, DCMs and Alternates to the assembly.
- **III.** Roll Call Bill B. (Please see attached)

IV. Minutes – Deborah D. - Approval of October 2006 Area Assembly

Corrections to the minutes of the Assembly meeting Sunday October 8, 2006 are as follows: Page 4 of 7, Katie G. is Alternate <u>Treasurer</u>, and Rodney R. is Area 67 Southwest Regional Trustee <u>Candidate.</u> Minutes approved as amended.

V. Treasurer's Report – Don B.

Based on the policy and procedures manual the convention reserve is taken from the convention fund and put in the operating fund. Funds will be taken out and put in as needed. The intention of the assembly is that the convention stands alone; the assembly has the ultimate responsibility of any short falls. Total of 246 groups contributed \$37,405. We are not self supporting with coffee. We took in \$397.48 and spent \$712.99.

VI. Delegate's Report – Gus H.

Gus states that this is the first time for him to report to you as your Delegate, and it is indeed an honor and a privilege. He hopes everybody has thoroughly enjoyed this weekend. Bonita, Tandy, and the rest of the committee have done an awesome job, and we know from personal experience that these conventions don't just happen by accident. They are the product of a lot of hard work. Many thanks to the committee for a job well done, and congratulations Area 67 on another successful convention.

Gus would like to offer a correction to his report in our most recent newsletter. In the newsletter article, he credited District 81 with hosting the 2^{nd} annual T&C (Traditions and Concepts) weekend at the beach this past October. District 81 came up with the idea, turned the idea into reality, planned, funded, and hosted the event.

Gus expressed gratitude to Charles for setting the example for him and keeping him in the loop every step of the way. Gus acknowledged Gary K. term in office as SW Regional Trustee and recognized Rodney Rabren as our candidate for SW Regional Trustee. On a sadder note, he mentioned the passing of Jane S. in October and the impact she had in many of our lives.

The General Service Board passed an action in October whereby an additional regional forum would be coordinated each year, with each Region scheduled on an eight year rotation. They went to the hat, and the SW Region was picked for 2008. These additional forums will be in lieu of the special forums held in the past, and they are not automatically scheduled events. It is up to an individual Area within the Region to bid for the additional forum. The bid is to include the proposed scope or goals of the forum, proposed city, and hotel information, and present a bid at the Conference in April. We have polled the other Areas in our Region, and to date no other Area has expressed any interest. If anyone in this

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Area sees a compelling need for an additional forum next year, please speak up now. If we are going to do anything we will have to start moving pretty fast.

Gus has been assigned to the Policies and Admissions committee and has already received an information package specific for this committee, the preliminary agenda items for the conference, as well as the Delegates Conference Communications kit. There will be a conference agenda items workshop at our April assembly. Also the Friday night of the assembly will be a DCM/ Delegate communication session like the one held Saturday morning at the convention which 12 districts were represented.

VII. Alternate Delegate's Report – Betsy G.

Betsy said it is an honor to serve as your Alternate Delegate of Panel 57, Area 67. Betsy describes the responsibilities of the alternate delegate, the first is to be of service to this area and to the fellowship, especially to the GSRs and DCMs and assist Gus in his job. The DCM is the most important job coordinating and carrying the message to the groups in your districts. The next job for the area is to serve as the coordinator for the Gratitude dinner. We have met with the DCMs to determine from a master list what items need to be handled. We have a few filled already, but the most important item is to get a co-host district. Take this information back to your groups and hopefully soon we will have a co-host district. Another job duty is to write an article for the delegate's newsletter; Paul M. is the current editor for the Southwest regional newsletter. There is a delegate's assembly of the Southwest Region which meets in March. Last job duty that Betsy has is to SWRAASA: to be one of the committee that oversees its guidelines. This event is held in October even years, and guidelines were just adopted for this event. That's what the Alt delegate does. If Betsy can help in any way, she is happy to be of service.

VIII. 2007 SETA Convention – Bonita W.

Registration as of today is 1354 AA (Scholarships 80), Alanon 116, Alateens 19.

IX. 2008 SETA Convention – Tim C.

We hope to sign a hotel contract in January. We have struggled to find hotel space, the meeting space has been tough to confirm.

X. Unfinished business – Election of grapevine and liaison to Spanish office intergroup

Dana B. was elected by unanimous vote to Grapevine Chairperson. Gus H. made the motion and Duane P. seconded the motion.
Marie C. was elected by unanimous vote to the Liaison to Spanish office intergroup. Gary S. made the motion and Patrick C. seconded the motion.
Ad hoc January Area committee meeting by Charles P. will be given in April.
Ad hoc Prudent Reserve for State convention by Beth R. will be given in April.

XI. New Business – Bonita W.

Barbara C. - **Finance Committee report** – budget meeting has been set for February 24, 2007 at the Post Oak Club at 1:30 p.m. Required attendance: area officers, alt delegate, alt chair, committee chairs each are requested to bring estimates to do their jobs in 2008. The finance committee has been formed and will meet at the April assembly. If anyone has any financial issues or questions about the 2007 budget contact Barbara in writing to be brought to the finance committee.

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Tandy B. – **2008-2009 Hotel Search report** – members on committee are area **North** - Gary S., **West** Bob B., **East** Raphael E., **South** Randee B. and Sherman M. A presentation will be made in April and a decision will be made then.

Gus Henry – This Area has a tradition to send a memorial contribution of \$100 to GSO for Jane S. Gus made the motion and Beth R second the motion.

Suggestions for April Agenda Items – Sneak Preview will be workshops about CPC/PI, Pie Charts, and agenda items for the conference. A committee will be appointed to look at the convention guidelines.

XII. Announcements – Tandy B.

The Committees eligible for the April 2007 hotel suites are: CPC, Finance, and PI.

The host district for April 2007 is District 81. We still need a district to host in October 6-7, 2007, April and July 2008. If your district would like to host that weekend, please get with Tandy.

All committee and district reports need to given to the area secretary. Please email the reports if possible.

Events:

Plantation group – February 3, 2007 – annual Founders Day – Lake Jackson District 33 Unity Conference – February 9-11, 2007 – Bryan/College Station District 20 – Monthly First Saturday Speaker meeting - Houston 1502 Fellowship group – February 17, 2007 – Conroe 62nd Annual State convention – June 15-17, 2007 - Fort Worth SW Regional Forum – October 12-14, 2007 – Denver Colorado

XIII. Close – Bonita W.

We closed in the usual manner.

Respectfully submitted, Deborah D. SETA Secretary