

South East Texas Area Assembly

**of Alcoholics Anonymous
P. O. Box 130433
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October Assembly

**Saturday and Sunday
October 2, 3, 2010**

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***I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help,
I want the hand of A.A. always to be there.
And for that: I am responsible.***

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**NOTICE
OF
PROPOSED AMENDMENT
TO
SOUTHEAST TEXAS AREA
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL**

District 10 proposes the following amendment to the Southeast Texas Area Policies and Procedures Manual and that the item be included on the agenda of the July 10-11, 2010 Quarterly Meeting of the Southeast Texas Area Assembly.

Amend the *Third Edition* of the “South East Texas Area (SETA) Policies and Procedures Manual” to mandate that each Agenda topic requiring approval of eligible voting members be submitted in writing to the Area Chairperson at least 45 days before the date of the next Assembly; and,

That each Agenda topic, and pertinent background, be distributed to all eligible voting members at least 30 days before the next Assembly to assure that the Agenda topic is afforded the benefit of a fully informed group conscience, in accord with Tradition Two.

67 QUARTERLY ASSEMBLIES
Area Committee Meeting Minutes
Saturday July 10, 2010

- I. Open – Tandy B. – opened the meeting with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer.
- II. Preamble - Deborah D.
- III. Roll Call- John O'.
- IV. Minutes - April Area Committee Minutes- Debra R. approved with corrections.
- V. Treasurer Report- ZBM-Change the Archives Repository Reserve from \$10,000 to \$30,000, making Unrestricted Funds of \$9473.39. 180 groups in the area contribute. Operating expenses are about 52-53%. Approved with Corrections.

Delegate Comments- Betsy G.

Good morning to all of you. It is good to be back in Houston after the Conference. As they say, New York is a nice place to visit, but wouldn't want to live there. I will make just a few comments this morning on items occurring since the Conference, and will give a more detailed report tomorrow at the Assembly.

1. I have brought three documents for you. The first are flyers for the SWRAASA Convention. There are also two surveys from GSO. One of the important changes on the board this year is the spirit of cooperation between the trustees and the delegates. They want to know what you think. The first survey relates to the Grapevine. The 2nd survey is one for you to use to give your opinion on whether AAWS should make available for sale and download digital versions of our literature, similar to our try at distributing through Amazon.Com last year. Please take several, fill one out yourself and copy and distribute the others.
2. I passed out the 1st quarter 2010 reports on GSO group contributions to the DCMs last night. I have not yet received the 2nd quarter contributions. 26% of the groups in our area contributed to GSO during the 1st quarter, which is down slightly from last year at the same time.
3. I do not yet have the financial information from GSO for the 2nd quarter, so I have no additional information other than what will be in my report later this afternoon. I do know that sale of literature is down, as expected.

4. International Convention – Outstanding! The flag ceremony Friday night included one of our own from this Area serving as flag bearer for Afghanistan (Ruthie’s husband, Tom).

Several of us thought he would be carrying the American flag and were surprised when a woman in shorts came out. Conley chaired the Friday night meeting, and Sunday’s meeting was chaired by the Southeast Regional Trustee, which is the host region for the next convention.

VII. Alt. Delegate Comments- Bonita W - See Sunday’s Report

VIII. 2011 SETA Convention Report- Randee B

See Sunday’s Report

IX. Ad Hoc Committee Updates:

Ad Hoc Committee on studying the Area Mailing Process –

John O the committee is looking at how we are mailing out the minutes and Newsletter and is anonymity being protected, the cost of mailing them out. . Which is the best way to get them to the members? We have met once so far.

Ad Hoc Committee on SETA Archives Repository –

Patrick C.

We are still pursuing our purpose of identifying the long term needs to preserve, store and display the historical material of Area 67 and to find a suitable and affordable facility to accommodate those needs. After our April Assembly and your approval to proceed with the leasing of a selected space we had a specification change that required us to find another suite. The Ad Hoc Committee agreed to do another search. We wanted to stay in the same property to utilize the central location and complimentary conference room.

We recently authorized our agent to start lease negotiations on the new suite with the Property Owner’s agent. Our key factor is the \$10,000 annual spend limit you approved. We will be the final decision makers and if we can’t get the rates we need then we may abandon that property and start over. It is our intent to have this new selected property under contract by mid-August under our terms.

Workshops:

Workshop- 2011 Budget Proposal

Workshop- Area Committee Job Descriptions for October Elections

Workshop-SETA Electronically Transferred (ET) Information

Workshop- SETA Convention Guidelines

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (to be handled on Sunday)

Election of Literature Chair

Election of Information Technology Chair

2011 Budget Proposal

NEW BUSINESS

Proposal to fund two (2) Spanish Translators to SWRAASA- held in Colorado- not to exceed \$700- comes out of the Area Committee with approval recommendation to the Area Assembly

Proposal to purchase Translation Equipment for the area-

Moises L. presented the proposal and background information-

comes out of the Area Committee with approval recommendation to the Area Assembly

Amendment to the SETA Policies and Procedures Manual- discussion only- did not reach the Area Assembly members within the 30 day notification required. (See on the 2nd page)

Announcements

Sign in for Sunday voting

October Assembly Host District 82

Closed

**Area 67 QUARTERLY ASSEMBLY
Workshop Reports, District Reports,**

Area Standing Committees and Intergroup Liaison Reports Saturday July 10, 2010

6pm Betsy G. showed the new internet connection to GSO to send contributions in per electronic transfer

7:30 pm Videos (Hope & Young People) Discussion Panel

New GSR Workshop: Leader: Gus H. Recorder: Sarah N.-

Three pamphlets were used in the workshop: The Twelve Traditions; The GSR; and The AA Group. Gus also employed a PowerPoint presentation that covered what a GSR is and the responsibilities of the position. He described the AA Service Structure: the 'Upside-down Pyramid'; and explained the purposes of Area and District. Also discussed were the concept of "Right of Decision" and the importance of having a Service Sponsor. Committees and their representatives were discussed at the Group, District and Area levels. Gus also talked about "Special Events", the AA Group and the GSR Preamble.

**Advanced GSR Workshop: Leader: Paul M.
Recorder: Fritz B**

Paul introduced by distributing literature which are helpful in understanding the nature of the GSR's role and the Group's place in AA's service structure. These included: *The Twelve Traditions Illustrated, The Twelve Concepts for World Service Illustrated* and *The A. A. Group...Where It All Begins*. Next the meeting was opened to discuss the topic "How do you encourage respect for our "Singleness of Purpose" in your group meeting – both OPEN and CLOSED."

**Hispanic GSR Workshop: Chair: Astroberto R. District 63
Recorder: Silvia V. District 64**

This meeting was opened at 9:35am with the Serenity prayer followed by the Service legacy. The First speaker was Rene M. from District 65 and he talked about the 2nd Chapter from the Service Manual. The Second speaker was Carlos R. from District 66 and he talked about the 3rd Concept for World Service. The speakers were then followed by a session of questions and answers. There were thirteen people in assistance.

A 7th tradition contribution of \$26.00 was collected at this meeting. After all questions were answered the meeting was closed with the Responsibility Statement.

2011 Budget Proposal Workshop Don B.

Handouts were made available and little discussion ensued

SETA Electronically Transferred (ET) Information: Katie G.

There were two handouts available- General IT Guidelines and Guidelines for Website Submittal

SETA Convention Guidelines: Paul M.

The SETA Convention Guidelines Ad Hoc Committee will

1) Revise the SETA Convention Guidelines in a manner that would help each Convention Committee improve the financial stability of SETA Conventions;

2) The SETA Convention Guidelines Ad Hoc Committee will present the revised guidelines to the area in a workshop format to answer any questions;

3) The SETA Convention Guidelines Ad Hoc Committee Chairman will present the revised guidelines to the assembly for approval. Recommendation

1. The SETA Convention Chairperson is required to submit a proposed hotel contract to the SETA Finance Committee for review “and approval” prior to its signing.
2. The SETA Convention Chairperson is required to submit a budget of projected income and expenses to the SETA Finance Committee for review “and approval” prior to release of funds from SETA Treasury. The budget will vary depending on Host City.
3. The SETA Convention Chairperson is required to compile and submit a detailed final convention treasurer’s report to the SETA Assembly in April following the convention to include the number of hotel rooms’ booked and total registration numbers. Copies of the report are to be given to

the SETA Finance Committee and the next year convention chairperson.

4. Additional Consideration: That the SETA Finance Committee look at developing a uniform budgeting/reporting format for future SETA Convention Treasurers

DISTRICT REPORTS

District 10 Peggy M. DCM: Joe B. Alt. DCM

We continue to meet on the second Tuesday of the month in the 1st floor conference room at the Cullen Bldg of St. Joseph's Hospital at 7:00 p.m. with great participation from our groups. In May, our district held two workshops back to back with the LaBranch Street Group as our host group. The first workshop was facilitated by D10 TFC Chair, Tracy W. He explained how the Bridging the Gap program of Alcoholics Anonymous functions within Treatment Facilities. Tracy shared all of the opportunities available to us and the many ways that we can be of service to the Alcoholic that still suffers. After a short lunch break, we then had a workshop on Traditions with an amazing presentation given by ZBM, West G., Gene J., Holly D and Paul M. Even though attendance was low, those who were there left with a clear understanding of the importance of the Traditions in our groups, in the unit of Alcoholics Anonymous and how we can use them in our personal lives. We are looking forward to several upcoming events: The Stand Down for Veterans at Emancipation Park in October; a CPC presentation in August to the Medical Staff of the Medical Center; District 10 Annual Labor Day Fellowship event.

District 20 DCM Rick L.: Alt DCM Troy B.

District 20 meets monthly at the Council on Alcohol and Drugs on Jackson Hill off Memorial Drive. Our District meeting is the first Saturday of the month followed by the first Saturday Speaker Meeting. This is a chance for all groups in the district to get together as a district host group brings a meeting to the hall with a speaker picked from the host group. We have fellowship and food before the meeting. We also fund 2 1year subscriptions to the GV each meeting. Betsy will join us in August for a Delegate Presentation. Elections will be held in September, will fund 2 new officers to SWRAASA.

District 31 DCM Melissa R.: Alt DCM James R.

District 31 has had a very active quarter. Our "Round Robins" in District 31 have been very well attended with great food and wonderful Speakers. More Group participation is occurring and it has proven to be a very good way for AA members in District 31 to get to know each other in this large District.

District 32 DCM Lynn G.: Alt DCM Dave R.

Betsy G., our Area Delegate, joined us at our District meeting on June 13th to share with us about the April 2010 Conference in New York. We were blessed to receive not only the wonderful presentation but also numerous other tidbits of news and concerns in the fellowship at large, including the upcoming Grapevine survey that our district members will promote participation in. One of the many things Betsy provided us was the contribution chart on page 2 of this newsletter that indicates that while membership has grown over the past three years, contributions from members and groups has fallen. David R., our Alternate DCM, is taking the reins on the group visitation committee. Many thanks, David! He will use the zip code map of our district that we recently developed and Lori created a pdf for against our registered group list to identify groups that are not currently participating in district work. George, our PI chair, has done a wonderful job working with GSO to purchase approved radio PSAs, "localizing" them, and then beginning his campaign to get them played. He has mailed out his first wave of samples with a cover letter introducing himself, and is beginning to follow up on his mail out with personal telephone calls. George's background in radio will help him reach out effectively, and we are so grateful for all the time and effort he has put into this project. Debra M, our CPC chair, has graciously accepted responsibility for leading the charge to build a combined PI/CPC committee for our district and District 31. We were able to get together for a workshop on April 24th where we went through the workbooks and were blessed to have visitors who drove all the way from Galveston to share their experience, strength and hope with us. Barbara C., the District 40 PI/CPC chair also graciously shared her experience in building that district's joint committee. We realized quickly that geographic location does make a difference in target audiences. The district has approved an initial budget for PI and CPC workbooks, and those are on order. On May 15th, district members served with the West Spring Group to present the How to – or not to Chair a Meeting event. We could have gone on sharing for hours after our allotted 3-1/2 hours, the discussions were so energetic. Perhaps it helped to have a more intimate setting in a smaller group facility. This event was part of West Spring's effort to regroup after a location move nearly closed their doors. They held a group inventory and immediately began a plan of action that has had wonderful results. Congratulations, West Spring! We were excited to hear about the pamphlet on GSO's services that Betsy presented at the April Assembly. We often hear things like, "We don't want New York trying to tell us how to run our group," or "What do they do in New York anyway?" This pamphlet seems like the perfect answer to question like this. The district has approved a budget of \$50.00 to purchase pamphlets so that

each of groups has them available and for the visitation committee to use when they visit groups that are not participating in the Area.

District 33 DCM: Charles R. Alt DCM: Teresa O:

District 33 is hanging in there. Our district meetings are on the 3rd Saturday of the month @ 3pm. Every 3rd month we have a round robin @ one of our groups. Sent out the fliers for the Gratitude dinner in November. Just trying to get the groups in our district more involved. Already planning for the 2012 SETA convention in our area.

District 40 DCM: Kris H. Alt DCM: Brad H. District 40 holds our monthly meeting on the second Tuesday of each month from 7pm to 9pm at the Bear Creek Community Center, 3055 Bear Creek Drive Houston TX 77084. This past quarter, we held our 24th annual Traditions Dinner with about 70 people in attendance. Tom K., past District 40 DCM, did a great job presenting the traditions, and as always, Brad did a wonderful job making sure everyone had plenty to eat. Thanks to all of you from other districts who helped ensure the event's success, especially those who stayed for clean up. We also held a Family Afterward Workshop in May at SBMC. Although the turnout was fairly low (probably owing to all of the other events going on in the Area that day), several relative newcomers seemed to get information that was of use to them. Our district CPC-PI committee has been busy again, and the district approved their request for additional budget funds to be used to show a 15 second PSA in two of the large theaters in the Katy area. The PSA was produced by GSO and is to run throughout the month of July at the Cinemark and Katy Mills AMC theaters. The PSA will be run twice prior to all PG and R rated movies for a total cost of \$3,100. A committee was formed and planning has begun for a Fellowship Festival to tentatively be held on September 25th. As part of this year's event, we have asked Betsy to present the Delegate's Report to the District. As in years past, there is sure to be plenty of food, fun and fellowship. Finally, we would like to thank the Area Literature for their informative presentation and puppet show.

District 51 DCM Tom K.: Alt DCM Randee B.

We meet at the Delta Club on the last Saturday of each month @ 11am where 3 other AREA 67 SERVICE committees meet at other times during the month. All are welcome to visit. Of 16 Groups that meet in District 51, about a 1/3 have a General Service Representative or some other service representative connecting the GROUP to the rest of the FELLOWSHIP. District 51 has been rehearsing a SKIT since APRIL to

be presented the last Saturday of July (31st) beginning shortly after noon (including snacks) and followed by an ice cream social for an afternoon of Food, FUN and Fellowship. The SKIT is a STAR TREK presentation adapted from entertainment and enlightenment efforts from elsewhere in the FELLOWSHIP and includes a cast of characters from several of the participating GROUPS.....Thirty six principles highlighting SERVICE UNITY and RECOVERY will be integrated into the presentation... Plan on joining us (and bring someone) to grow in understanding and effectiveness in carrying the message(s) of AA.

District 52 DCM: Ashley W. Alt DCM: Keith W. We had our Annual Gratitude Picnic and it was a bit rainy on May 15th but we had about 15 attendees. Our Area GV rep was not able to attend due to bad weather. She was afraid the wind and rain would damage her display. We did have a literature table set out and it was a success, several people were interested in the literature and took a large portion with them. All and all it was a great day. We have been planning a sponsorship workshop and after the committee met and went over details we have decided on a date, time and location. It will be held on Saturday September 18th from 10:00am until 2:00pm at the Fort Bend Council located in Stafford, TX. The activities will include skits; ask it basket and stories of sponsorship. We invite everyone to come out and be a part of it. We will post the flyer to our district website shortly.

District 60 DCM: Melanie M.: Alt DCM: Keith C.: District 60 is hanging in there. We are 3 (active) committee members strong, yet relentless in our efforts to get the groups in our district more involved. Our plan is to hold our next district meeting on with District 70. Our goal during that meeting is to see if meeting with that district on an ongoing basis would be advantageous. At this time, of our 9 groups, 3 have GSRs. During our district meeting at the SETA Assembly on Saturday July 10th, we voted to make a financial contribution to the 2011 SETA Convention Security Committee for shirts. Our district also signed up to donate bread and sauce for the Gratitude dinner in November.

District 63 DCM Elias L.; Alt. DCM OPEN

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District 63 meets every Saturday starting at 6pm. We have 8 groups in our district. We have a thirty-minute study session on the Service Manual every Saturday. We visit a group in our district every Tuesday to share all GSO, Area 67 and Hispanic Assemblies information and to encourage group contribution to our service offices. We also meet with

Districts 64, 65, & 66 prior to each assembly. Active committees:
Correctional: This committee meets every other Wednesday at 7pm and has AA meetings at the Navasota Pack Unit Prison from 12 to 1:30pm.
La Viña: They meet every Thursday at 8pm. And visit groups to encourage *La Viña* subscriptions. We would like to thank our Delegate Betsy for her visit to our District and report on the 2010 General Service Conference. Elias L. 281-745-3193

District 64 DCM: J. Angel M. Alt DCM: O. Antonio P.

District 64 meetings are every Saturday at 6 pm and are currently made up of 14 groups. We have an attendance of 10 GSRs each week. We have three active committees: La Viña, Literature and Correctional Facilities. Literature committee and Correctional Facilities have meetings every two weeks, and La Vina Committee meets every Tuesday. As agreed by our GSRs, we visit the groups that have no GSR and any other group's invitations. District 64 is working with the Hispanic National Convention in Virginia and the South Texas Area Hispanic Assembly. We also take part in the four Spanish district meetings.

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District 65 DCM Mariano T.: Alt DCM Ramiro Y.

We continue with our meetings on Saturdays at 6 p.m., and in the case of a weekend assembly or convention, the meetings are moved-up to Thursday at 8pm before the event. We study the Service Manual on the last Saturday of each month. The DCM, Alt. DCM and trusted committee members continue to visit one or two groups each week to pass on relevant GSO and Area information and encourage service work and self-support contributions to each service entity. Two groups in our District celebrated their anniversary on April and one more in June by holding an Information meeting open to the Public. We also had the great opportunity of experiencing The International Convention in San Antonio. District 65 thanks all the Area 67 members for your service and support. 8256 Lawndale Houston 77012

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District 66 has 22 groups all of them are registered in area 67 and GSO. We have meetings every Saturday from 6pm to 8pm. We are also working with La Vina, Correctionals and Literature. The Alternate DCM position is open at this time.

District 70 DCM: Tom C. Alt DCM: Jeff S.

District 70 meets the 3rd Sunday of the month at 230pm at the West Baytown Club-there is food! A 7th Tradition workshop was held at the Council for Drug & alcohol – Thanks to the panel and those who participated learned a lot. Betsy G. will be coming Aug 15 for the Delegates Report and a Job Fair is planned for upcoming elections. Jason F. CFC Chair is really active and planning to go into Chambers County to take a meeting.

District 81 DCM: Tom B. Alt DCM: Randy B.

We had our spring service event (The 3 Legacies of AA) on May 15th at the Bay Area Club in League City. We had 47 members that registered. I want to thank Betsy G. our Area 67 Delegate for coming to our June Sharing Session at Kelley's in La Marque to give her report for the General Service Conference. Betsy and Marty arrived "real" early due to a thunderstorm in Houston and her presentation was excellent. We had several of our members attend the AA International in San Antonio and like the rest of the AA world, really enjoyed the experience. Next service event will be at the Bay Area Club on September 25th. Alison H. is the chairperson and working hard putting everything together. More details will be disclosed. The SETA Gratitude Dinner will be held at St. Helen's Catholic Church in Pearland on Saturday, November 3th at 2:00 pm. District 81 will be the host district and more will be disclosed at we get closer to the event.

District 82 DCM Michael J.; Alt DCM Kim R.

District 90 DCM: Tony D. Alt DCM: Lloyd G.

Dist 90 still has two open Committee spots
Elections will be Aug 31. Bonita has agreed to come help
Our Conference is 8/20-21-22 everyone come

Intergroup Liaison Reports

Liaison to Houston Intergroup: Katie G.

1. 2010 International Convention is almost upon us. They are expecting about 40,000 people.
2. Our Delegate is visiting the Districts to give her report from the Conference held in April
3. SETA Assembly will meet July 10th & 11th at the Sheraton Airport.
4. Grapevine is looking for an editor - refer to memo from the Delegate.

Liaison to 9th District Intergroup- Dennis Mc.

Liaison to Brazos Valley Intergroup-Open

Liaison to Hispanic Intergroup- Luis R.

Liaison to Official Intergroupal Hispania de AA-

Area Standing Committee Reports

SCAP Committee- State Convention Attendance Promotion

Robin C. Area SCAP Chair

We are planning to have a SCAP table at the AAggieland Convention in August and the SETA Convention In January also In February is the Unity Conference and don't forget the gratitude dinner. So we: Teresa O and I will open an account and handle a table at the above mentioned events.

IT- Information Technology: newly elected Chairperson Steve E.

Eddy Abbot- Web Administer,

Archives Lee G. Area Archives Chair

We have had the good fortune to have Kathy M. on our committee with her skills in Record Management. We discussed with her all of our record keeping and she developed a new, specific inventory form. We had to tweak it a bit and now we have commenced to begin a new and complete inventory of all our records. Fortunately, with your financial help we can more easily and completely inventory our records with the help of the new computer. In June, six of the committee members made a road trip to Arkansas to Area 4 Archives. Perry, the Archivist gave us a full tour and gave us a PowerPoint presentation typical of those he gives as requested throughout Arkansas.

The Ad Hoc committee, working on our behalf was directed by us to negotiate for the 1 location which we viewed. They came back with a different office in that same building which would serve our purpose even better. Lastly, as always we think that ALL District meeting minutes are very important records. I implore each DCM to have their District Secretary put us on the District Distribution email list.

**CFC- Correctional Facilities Committee Holly D. Area CFC Chair
Fritz B. Alt CFC Chair**

For the first half of the year we have collected \$15,917 in blue can funds, which combined with last year's balance give us blue can totals of \$24,889. From this amount the committee has distributed \$18,981 in literature to incarcerated alcoholics. (The blue can funds received by the groups have been totaled and are on a flyer available at the front of the room). And yet we still have money in our blue can fund to buy more literature! To do this we need you! We need more volunteers to bring more meetings into prisons and jails. On July 25th the Eastham unit is having an anniversary. Next, coming up is the 11th Annual CFC Conference. We will be holding a TDCJ orientation during that conference on Saturday afternoon. Just show up and fill out an application of the spot. The only requirements for approval are 1 year of sobriety, out of the system of 1.5 years. And as always, please join us at our next meeting, which is on August 18, 7pm at the Delta club

**TFC- Treatment Facilities Committee Travis H. Chair;
Randy D. Alt Chair Report by Tracey W.**

For the third consecutive SETA Quarterly Assembly, there was not a chair or alternate chair present. 2. Eleven TFC members in attendance from various districts within SETA. 3. Lacking the presence of a Committee Chair or Alternate Chair, the committee decided to have an informal, open discussion meeting. 4. Group completed a new TFC contact list. This will facilitate communication between committee members. List was photocopied and distributed to committee members. List will be forwarded to SETA Chair, Co-Chair, Secretary and Delegate. 5. There were no minutes or pre-established agenda available for the meeting. (See Item One above)6. The Committee asked Tracy W. (Wilson) TFC Member from District 10 to serve as ad hoc chair until SETA elections at October Assembly. Tracy W. agreed to serve in this capacity. 7. Tracy W. committed to acquiring and distributing TFC related items, proposed October agenda items, FY2010 budget, FY2011 budget, contact list, and information relevant to the TFC "Bridging the Gap" program. 8. Committee discussed "Bridging the Gap" (BTG) at length, especially the distribution of the Temporary

Contact Database. Feedback and questions were given and taken by/from various districts. 9. The committee expressed an interest in having a "Bridge the Gap" information session and/or training at a future Assembly. 10. The TFC budget for both FY2009 and FY2010 was discussed. Tracy W. agreed to acquire more detailed information from Don B. and ZBM. regarding this and the committees specific budget line items. 11. October elections were discussed and everyone agreed to consider serving as TFC Chair or Alternate Chair. 12. The committee agreed to staffing a table at the October 2010 Assembly to acquire new individuals willing to serve as Temporary Contacts for the "BTG" Database. Tracy W. agreed to organize this with assistance from other TFC members. 13. The committee asked Tracy W. to provide the committee report to the Assembly at tonight's (July 10, 2010) meeting. 14. Tracy W. asked that agenda items for October be forwarded to him and he would distribute a tentative agenda for the October 2010 meeting. 15. In closing, the committee members agreed to assist one another in re-establishing a functioning Treatment Facilities Committee (TFC).

La Vina- Jose P. Area LaVina Chair; Carlos U. Alt Area LaVina Chair

La Vina committee continues working with the 4 Districts with the subscriptions. We are organizing events specials: Workshops for the La Viná three times a year with San Antonio and Austin; special meetings with the Districts; we participate with the committees in the special meeting one time a month. We have two meetings a month in District 66. We participated with District 66 & 63 with the Delegates' visit.

Multilingual Committee-Moises L. Chair: The Multilingual Committee continues to work on the Area 67 activities. In the last three months we translated the April Assembly minutes, the 2011 Area Convention flyer, the 2010 District 90 Convention flyer, the Delegate's 2010 Conference Report and power point presentation. We visited the Spanish Districts 63 & 66 to translate our delegate on her report. We also completed our research work on options and prices to upgrade our translating equipment. We continue to work with the 2011 SETA Convention committee, delivering information to the Spanish community. In July we'll visit Spanish Districts 64 & 65 with our delegate to translate her 2010 Conference report. We're also looking forward to serve at the next SWRAASA in Denver, Colorado on October as part of the translating committee.

PI- Public Information - Jim B. Chair We had twelve people representing six districts at the PI meeting at the July Assembly. Members shared what types of projects that their districts had going on related to Public Information. PSA in movie theater, PSA on radio station, billboard, meeting schedules in hotels, as well as attendance at health fairs just to name a few. Every district had something going on or expressed an interest in getting involved in PI work. The enthusiasm was contagious and very much appreciated by the PI Chair (me). Any district or AA group that would like a visit by the PI Committee please let us know.

CPC-Cooperation with the Professional Committee - Kris G. Chair We have been working diligently throughout the year to create district CPC chairs. Our committee strives to carry the message throughout the work place whenever needed. I received the GSO newsletter the other day and have set up an appointment with the Fort Bend Probation Office for a presentation because of it.

Finance Committee - Area Finance Chair: Don B. The Finance Committee reviewed the Treasurer's Report and the overall financial condition of the Area and determined it to be in good condition at present. The Committee reviewed the pending financial needs of the area, specifically Archives and the Multilingual Committees. The Treasurer will continue reserving the approved funds to be used by the Archives Committee for new storage/office space. The committee also unanimously agreed that it support the request by the Multilingual Committee for new equipment in the amount of \$3000.00 and to fund two persons to SWRAASA as translators in the amount of \$700.00. The Committee discussed the recommended Convention guidelines and agreed that they should be approved by the Area with some changes. The Finance Committee will be reviewing and developing uniform guidelines for use by future SETA Convention Treasurers.

Newsletter – Chair: Barbara M. Despite a glitch that the "call for articles" I sent to allseta in May did not go through, all went well for the July edition. There was good support from the trusted servants, and I received reports from five DCMs. Of course, I would love to see submissions from everyone but I don't think that's possible. I remind myself that we strive for progress, not perfection. This issue was emailed to allseta without the contact page, and I will send a copy to be posted on the SETA website if there are no objections. Earlier this year, we incurred a major printing charge because we ordered 5,000 envelopes printed with the mailing permit.

However, after learning of the post office's move update requirement, we had to have the envelopes reprinted adding a return address at a cost of \$365. Since we use less than 700 envelopes a quarter and we have two more issues to do, there will be about 2,900 envelopes bearing all the appropriate data to be forwarded to the new newsletter committee.

Grapevine- Jackie V. Chair; Sam C. Alt Chair

New GV handbooks were given out for District GVR's to give to their GVR's. Debbie T., being a new GVR received a copy as well. Also, in appreciation for the hard work everyone on the Committee has done, Jackie handed out a special GV edition "75 years of AA History" which was obtained at the July 1-4th, 2010 International Convention in San Antonio.

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Area Assembly Meeting
Sheraton IAH
Sunday July 11, 2010

- I. Open - Tandy B.
- II. Welcome to past Delegates: Gus H., Beth R., Rodney R., Mike D., Marvin W., Harold P., Paul M.
- III. Area Preamble- Deborah D.
- IV. Recognize New GSR's and DCM's
- V. Roll Call- John O'.
- VI. Tradition Five Presentation- Maury G.
- VII. Minutes- Debra R. approved as corrected- Dennis Mc. Was elected as Liaison to 9th District in January 2010; Robin C. was elected as SCAP Chairperson in April 2010. Add: Send Delegate informed not instructed to the Motions page. Delete elections from the Motions page. Removed underline from motion to policy chg Item 7. Clarify SETA Archives motion to reflect \$10,000 per year for 3 years=\$30,000. Correct roll call.
- VIII. Treasurer Report- ZBM – approved as corrected: change Archives Repository Reserved to \$30,000, making unrestricted funds on \$9,473.39. Encouraged new GSRs to pick up yellow packets with 7th Tradition pamphlets encouraged Birthday envelopes. Contributions can now be made on line to GSO. Lee G. clarification: Oct 2009 \$5000 for new computer system, still should have \$1400 available to complete the software needed. Don B. concurred that the money is available.

Delegate's Report: Betsy G. Panel 59 Area 67

Good morning! What an honor and a privilege it is to stand here before you this morning. I hope that everyone has enjoyed the weekend so far. Congratulations to District 31 for its fine job in hosting the Assembly. They will be a hard act to follow. I understand the hospitality suite has been great! I have three documents out on the front table for you to pick up.

The first are flyers for the SWRAASA Convention. This is a

wonderful event which will be held this year in Denver the 2nd weekend in October. Please plan on attending. There are also two surveys from GSO. One of the important changes on the board this year is the spirit of cooperation between the trustees and the delegates. They want to know what you think.

The first survey relates to the Grapevine. The Grapevine Board is interested in knowing why subscriptions have been dropping, as well as other ways you believe the magazine can be improved.

The 2nd survey is one for you to use to give your opinion on whether AAWS should make available for sale and download digital versions of our literature, similar to our try at distributing through Amazon. Com last year. Please take several, fill one out yourself and copy and distribute the others. So far I have been privileged to attend six districts to give my conference report. Thank you for your time, attention and questions. I was also able to attend four district committee meetings to speak with the members directly about the agenda items near and dear to their heart. In addition, I attended or participated in six district or group workshops and helped to carry the message of service.

I must give a very special thanks to Moises L. for his hard work in translating my 11 page report and power point so that I could communicate with our Hispanic members. I have visited two or the four Hispanic districts so far, with the help of Moises as my translator. I could not have done my job without him and the other members of the Multi-lingual committee. Thank you very much! On that same subject, I received an email from the Louisiana delegate recently, wanting to let me know about their recent area assembly. Several members of the Hispanic Community in our area traveled to their assembly that weekend to support the Louisiana Hispanic community in obtaining the first ever Louisiana linguistic district. The delegate was very grateful for our area's support.

I do not yet have the financial information from GSO for the 2nd quarter, so I have no additional information other than what was discussed in my report yesterday afternoon. I am assuming this is because everyone was busy with the Convention. I do know that sale of literature is down, as expected, due to the large purchase of literature by organizations such as Hazelton, who bought a 3-year supply of our literature in advance of last year's price increase.

The International Convention was outstanding! A big thank you to all the volunteers from this area that helped makes it such a success. The flag ceremony Friday night included one of our own from this Area serving as flag bearer for Afghanistan (Ruthie's husband, Tom). Several of us thought he would be carrying the American flag and were surprised when a woman in shorts came out. Conley chaired the Friday night meeting, and Sunday's meeting was chaired by the Southeast Regional Trustee, which is the host region for the next convention. Please get your pens and paper out. There are several upcoming opportunities for you to submit articles:

- The Grapevine is requesting articles in English and in Spanish, especially Spanish, to provide a large base for the enlarged magazine. I understand the La Viña Committee is planning a workshop for the group members to write articles.
- GSO will be calling for new stories to be included in the pamphlet on self-support and for AA and the Armed Services. I will let you know when the office is ready to begin receiving your submissions.

"Contributions Online" is now operational. You may now go directly to the AA.Org website and make your personal contributions or group contributions. I was skeptical about this at first, but after seeing the demonstration of the program, I am satisfied that it is safe, and that our tradition of self-support will be protected. I showed the tutorial during the lunch break yesterday.

Finally, I have received a copy of a request sent to the Chairman of the General Service Board from three past Trustees asking that the Board consider their proposal for a reorganization of the make-up of the 3 corporate boards. As they say, more will be revealed.

X. Alternate Delegate's Report: Bonita W. Panel 60 Area 67

My name is Bonita W, currently serving as alternate delegate panel 59. My sobriety date is July 23, 1993 which is truly a gift in my life. My home group is Bacliff 11th Street group; we meet Tuesday nights at 7:00 PM at the Bacliff Community Center on 11th street.

First I want to give a hand to District 31 and the wonderful job they did in the hospitality room. There was plenty of food and fellowship for dinner last night! I would like to acknowledge Beth R celebrated 32 years this month and also our new GSR's – there are several in attendance, they are the ones with the deer in the head-lights look and they have been real troopers this weekend. I want to recognize all of you who were able to attend and to participate as volunteers

at the International. Every volunteer I spoke with said the same thing and that was that they had the most fun even Troy.

Don't forget that SWRAASA is October 8, 9, 10th – Area 10 Colorado. The flyer is posted on the SETA website. Our Area is doing three workshops – Area Assembly; 1950 to present history of A.A; traditions 7 and 8 – I want to thank the presents for their willingness to participate. I will be asking the assembly that we help with funding two translators from the Multi-Lingual committee to go to SWRAASA to assist with translation at a cost not to exceed \$700.

The Gratitude Dinner is November 13 at St. Helen's Catholic Church 2209 Old Alvin Road, Pearland. The Districts all have their assignments and our speaker is Jimmy S. from The Waterfront Group. **okay, so I am skipping my Scottish tale! ***

2011 SETA Convention Report- Randee B.

The SETA 2011 Convention will be held January 14-16 at the Moody Gardens Hotel in Galveston. Hotel rooms will be \$113/night, and pre-registration will be \$15 with a \$5 coffee tag. If you would like to volunteer, please let Randee B. know through email- booksmylife@gmail.com. We have 53 preregistered. Please register if you haven't done so. Take flyers back to your home group. We are looking for districts interested in performing a skit at the convention. Contact Eddie A. for more information.

We meet on the 3rd Sunday of each month at Moody Gardens on the 9th floor boardroom at 2pm. everyone is welcome to attend

Concept Five Presentation- Richard D.

Unfinished Business

Ad Hoc Committee on SETA Archives Repository- Sherry B.
see Saturday's Report

Ad Hoc Committee on studying the Area Mailing Process – John O

Looking for better ways to get information out while protecting anonymity of members. Will meet again and report in October.

Workshops

Area Committee Job Descriptions for October Elections

Mike D. Recorder: Debra R.

Mike D. asked why we need service positions and the purpose of rotation. Answered questions on how much time and effort is required, and the need to consider that prior to taking on the obligation. Handouts available for all the positions. If you put your name of the board, be willing to serve.

ELECTIONS

Roll Call for Voting - Registrar John O' – 95 present

Rules for Voting and discussion prior to voting

- 1) **Election of Literature Chair:** no one stood
- 2) **Election of Information Technology Chair:** Committee met and **chose Steve E.** - graduate of Computer Science and is his current field of work. Comes out of committee- Gus H. motion to accept, Charlie R. 2nd- Approved
- 3) **2011 Budget Don B. brings out of committee/ unanimous approval-passed**
- 4) **SETA (ET) Information Guidelines and Expenses:** after meeting yesterday they decided there was more to be considered. **Katy G. requested \$100 for building usage** at Spring Branch, met 6 times this past year. Betsy G. 2nd. Don B. stated the monies should come from the Quarterly Assembly budget as meeting room rent. Betsy withdrew the 2nd as it came out of the committee.
Passed no oppose
- 5) **SETA Convention Guidelines:** Paul M. stressed that the committee was charged to look only at financials (see full report under Workshops) the addition of the words “and approval” were added to items 1 and 2. Don B. concurred that the Finance Committee is willing to review.
Guidelines passed with the addition of the words “and approve”-2 oppose.
Minority Opinion: Jenny TLC Group- Autonomous chair position should be in guidelines. It was pointed out it was in there already.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposal to fund two (2) Spanish Translators to SWRAASA
Not to exceed \$700-by Bonita W. 2nd by Randee B.

Passed unanimously

Proposal to purchase Translation Equipment for the Area

Not to exceed \$3000. Quotes \$2789 includes shipping and handling. Don B. Finance chair: the Finance Committee has reviewed and believes it can be done. Moises brings the proposal from the Multilingual Committee Betsy G. 2nd.

Passed with 2 oppose.

Minority opinion: Ricardo D. doesn't think the Multilingual Committee contacted all the Districts. Barbara M. wants the Committee to have the best equipment possible.

New Business from Floor

1. ZBM asked the Assembly to reimburse her \$35.03 for expense incurred while hosting a speaker for the Beaumont SETA Convention. This meal expense took place "off site" and was denied by the Convention Chairperson to be paid. Rodney R. 2nd the motion and a long discussion pro and con ensued. Holly D. called the question, Katy G. 2nd and the question was called.

The motion passed with 6 opposed.

No minority opinion expressed

Ricardo D. recommended we mail the minutes in Spanish to each DCM. Rodney R. asked the Chair to set up a meeting to ensure that the minutes in Spanish are sent to our Hispanic Community.

Suggestions for October Agenda Items

Third Legacy Workshop-Conley B.
Ad Hoc Committee Report-IT Guidelines
Assembly Elections
Regional Trustee Election
2013 SETA Chairperson-Houston

Announcements- Deborah D.
Willis Fellowship 21st Anniversary
July 17, 2010 2pm-5pm
First Baptist Church Willis
12177 I-45 North, Willis, TX 77318

XXII Houston Roundup CFC intergroup
August 7th 2010 11am to 3pm
The Council on Alcohol and Drugs
303 Jackson Hill St, Houston 77007

SWRAASA Denver 2010
October 8-10, 2010
Doubletree Hotel Denver
3203 Quebec St., Denver, CO 80207
(303) 321-3333

SETA CFC Conference
September 10, 11, 12 2010
Crowne Plaza Houston Suites
9090 Southwest Freeway, Houston 77074

Annual District 90 Convention
August 20th, 21, 22 2010
MCM Elegante Hotel and Conference Center
2355 IH-10 South, Beaumont, TX 77705

49th Annual Southeast Texas Area Convention
January 14, 15, & 16, 2011
The Moody Gardens Hotel
Seven Hope Blvd, Galveston, TX 77554

Please sign onto www.aa-seta.org events for more exciting fellowship & Service work.

Host District for Oct. 2,3 2010 – District 82
Host District for Jan. 14, 16 2011- District 81
Host District for April 2011- District 70

**Area 67 SETA July 10, 11, 2010
FINAL MOTIONS**

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Motion passed unanimously

Proposal to purchase Translation Equipment for the Area, not to exceed \$3000.

Passed with 2 opposed

2011 Budget

Motion passed unanimously.

The motion to reimburse ZBM \$35.03.

Motion passed with 6 opposed.

SETA Convention Guidelines passed with the addition of the words “and approval”

Motion passed with 2 opposed.

SETA (ET) Information Guidelines and Expenses

Katy G. requested \$100 for building usage at Spring Branch, met 6 times this past year.

Passed; no opposed

SETA COMMITTEE ROLL CALL 7/10 & 7/11

POSITION	NAME	7/10	7/11	ALT	7/10	7/11
AREA DELEGATE-Panel	Betsy G.	X	X	Bonita W.	X	X
AREA CHAIRPERSON	Tandy B.	X	X	Deborah	X	X
AREA Secretary	Debra R.	X	X	Samanth	X	X
AREA Treasurer	ZBM.	X	X	Ronald C.	X	X
AREA Registrar	John O'.	X	X	Gary L S.		X
AREA SCAP	Robin C.	X	X	OPEN		
AREA Information	Steve E	X	X	OPEN		
AREA Literature	OPEN			Rick M.		
AREA Archives	Lee G.	X	X	Sherry B.	X	X
AREA CFC Chair	Holly D.	X	X	Fritz B.	X	
AREA CPC Chair	Kris G.	X		Beth Y.		X
AREA Finance Chair	Don B.	X	X	Ronald C.	X	X
AREA Grapevine Chair	Jackie V.	X	X	Sam C.		
AREA La Vina Chair	Jose P.		X	Carlos U.	X	X
AREA Newsletter	Barbara M.	X	X	OPEN		
AREA PI Chair	Jim B.		X	David P.	X	X
AREA TFC Chair	Tracey W.	X		Randy D		
AREA Multi-Lingual	Moises L.	X	X	OPEN		
DCM District 10	Peggy M.	X	X	Joe B.		
DCM District 20	Rick L.	X	X	Troy B.		X
DCM District 31	Melissa R.	X	X	James H.		
DCM District 32	Lynn G.	X	X	David R.		
DCM District 33	Charles R.	X	X	Teresa		X
DCM District 40	Kris H.	X	X	Brad H.	X	X
DCM District 51	Tom K.		X	Randee	X	X
DCM District 52	Ashley W.	X	X	Keith W.	X	
DCM District 60	Melanie M.			Keith C		
DCM District 63	Elias L.	X	X	Jorge I.	X	X
DCM District 64	P. Angel M.	X	X	P.		
DCM District 65	Mariano T.	X	X	Antonio		
DCM District 66	Ricardo D.	X	X	Ramiro Y.		
DCM District 70	Tom C.	X	X	OPEN		
DCM District 81	Tom B.	X	X	Jeff S.	X	X
DCM District 82	Michael J.		X	Randy B.	X	X
DCM District 90	Tony D.			Kim R.	X	X
Liaison to Houston	Katie G.	X	X	Lloyd G.	X	X
Liaison to 9th District	Dennis Mc.					
Liaison Spanish Speaking Intergroup (Dist 63 & 64)	Ricardb	X	X			
Liaison Spanish Speaking Intergroup (Dist 65 & 66)	Hebrew M.					
Liaison to Brazos Valley Intergroup						
SETA2011 Convention Chair	Randee B.	X	X	Ronald C.	X	X

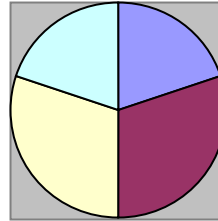
TO: GROUP TREASURER
 FROM: SOUTHEAST TEXAS AREA ASSEMBLY

The 7th Tradition of Alcoholics Anonymous suggests "Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions. "Self-support includes financial support of AA entities that support the group.

These entities are: (1) General Service Office, (2) Southeast Texas Area Assembly, (3) District, and (4) Intergroup. Each entity supports your group in important ways: carrying the message around the world, answering telephones and taking 12-step calls, and keeping you informed about AA.

Please support each of these group services with Contributions from your group treasury after all Group expenses have been met. As a guide to deciding how to distribute group funds, SETA, with its knowledge of local activities and costs of these services suggests the percentages in the chart to the right. All group contributions should be made in accordance with your informed group conscience.

Groups without an active GSR are urged to elect one. Districts without an active DCM usually increase contributions to other AA entities by a % voted on by the group.



- District 20%
- GSO 30%
- SETA 30%
- Intergroup 20%

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 4800 W. 34th St Suite C-5
 Houston, TX 77092
 Tele/Fax: 713-683-9277

Intergroup Addresses

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The forms below are for your convenience. Please cut the forms apart, sending one form with a contribution to each of the entities the group wishes to support

FROM: Group _____ Service No. _____ Amount \$ _____

TO: **INTERGROUP (addresses listed above)**

FROM: Group _____ Service No. _____ Amount \$ _____

TO: **GSO, P. O. Box 459, Grand Central Station, NY, NY 10163**

FROM: Group _____ Service No. _____ Amount \$ _____

TO: **SETA, P. O. Box 130433, Houston, Texas 77219**

FROM: Group _____ Service No. _____ Amount \$ _____

TO: **District # _____ (see SETA Area Committee list for DCM)**