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Round Tables Workshop

Many of you are familiar with the Agenda Items Summaries and the Response Forms that Patrick introduced during his term as Delegate. Summaries of agenda item history made understanding the different aspects of an Item easier, as well as being a much less daunting task than when faced with a 500+ page binder. And the Response Forms made getting that information to the Delegate a little easier too.

There's evidence that these tools helped make the GSRs' job of presenting agenda items to their Groups a little easier; the evidence being in the number of responses Patrick received, particularly last year.

I want to thank those of you who have responded to requests for feedback on specific Items as well as those who have submitted feedback from their Groups and Districts. I was excited each time I received an email with a response!

And today we'll practice the original method we've used in Area 67 to ensure that SETA delegates are informed: the Roundtable Workshop.

This year I have been working with delegates from Areas with large Spanish Communities, in an effort to have sections of the Background Material translated. I feel strongly about this because how can our Spanish members be informed without these translations.

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How can they truly participate if they can't understand our Fellowship's issues and opportunities, or the history behind them?

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VIII. 2015 SETA Convention Report – David A.-- David mentions that he has three binder books from the 2015 convention. One for Archives, one for Mary M., next year's chair, and one for the District 81/82 Archives. The material will on a PDF file. "Our total registration was 1,527 registered, and the excess funds being returned back to SETA is \$5,844.82. This number might have changed by a few dollars." "The room count not excluding the parlors is 661 room nights, and this represents an increase of a 105 room nights from our final room count in 2012." He thanks everyone that helped, and mentions his final report will be on the table for tomorrow's assembly.

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X. Unfinished Business

Ad-hoc Committee on Election Procedures—Deborah D.-- Ad-hoc committee Report. We last met on Jan 17, 2015 with a committee of 7. Our objective is to Review the election process and see if we can make any improvements or modifications. Our next meeting will be today April 11, 2015 at noon. Our hope is to come back with recommendations no later than the October assembly. We look forward to reporting back to the assembly. Respectfully submitted, Deborah D, Chairperson

Assembly Weekend Scheduling—Patrick C.—Troy mentions that Patrick C. is busy with the GSR workshop and can't make his report today.

XI. New Business

SETA IT General Guidelines – Troy B. asks Marshall W. (IT Committee Chair) if there is anything that he would like to share with the area committee before their workshop this afternoon. Troy mentions the full guidelines in English and Spanish are available on the table.

PI/CPC Committee Budget Request Funding for 2015—Troy mentions that the PI/CPC has a funding request on the assembly agenda tomorrow, and they will have a workshop today about their request. The motion they are making is to add a telephone line and answering service to their current budget.

XII Announcements – Kris H.—Kris mentions that we are in need of a host District for the SETA Assembly in July.

XIII Close – Troy B -We closed with the Responsibility Statement. 9:17am

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- **II. Tradition 11 Gerda, District 32 –** Mentions that her home group is the "Friday Night Survivors Group" in D32. She goes on to read Tradition 11, and then gives a brief history of the tradition. She goes on to quote Bill W. in her summation "This tradition gives a constant and practical reminder that personal ambition has no place in A.A., and that each member becomes an active guardian of the fellowship."

III. District Committee Member Reports

(Please see section titled **REPORTS**)

- **IV. Finance Committee Budget Workshop** Gary S.— Gary presents a hour long workshop on the SETA Budget. The work shop is in preparation for approval of the 2016 SETA Budget.
- **V. Roundtable GSC Agenda Items Discussion Groups** The assembly is divided into small groups to give our delegate a better understanding of the area's conscious on the GSC agenda items.
- **VI. PI/CPC Workshop Presentation—Rick M, Kate E—** A workshop presentation is given to the committee on the services these two committees provide. The presentation provides important information in advance of tomorrow's vote on a motion coming out of both committees.

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Net Sales\$ 1,095,998Gross Profit (Literature)\$ 887,636Contributions\$ 625,886

Total Operating Expenses \$ 1,117,504

GSO realized \$ 396,018

Self-Support: Area 67 Groups

As of December 31, 2014, Area 67 groups contributed \$74,800 to GSO. The number of groups in Area 67 was up from (550) to (563) active groups and we had an increase of 1.5% of groups contributing to GSO over December of 2013.

Publishing sales: Sales were substantially below estimates for the first month of 2015. In January, gross sales (including digital books) were \$1,116,216 vs. budgeted amount of \$1,255,254.

Reserve Fund Transfer: The A.A.W.S. Board approved recommendations brought by the Finance Committee that a transfer to the General Fund of the General Service Board of \$2,827,106 to cover 2014 General Fund deficits from operations, and \$132,026 to cover funding of La Viña; (Remember, the GSC voted and approved a 1991 advisory action, that the La Vina magazine is funded as a service to the fellowship.)

a transfer to the General Service Board Reserve Fund of \$1,200,000 representing excess Working Capital needs be approved; with the understanding that as funds may be needed for construction, they will be withdrawn from the Reserve Fund.

A.A. Grapevine: The A.A. Grapevine, along with La Vina has issued a 2015 Subscription Challenge. The Area that sells the most new subscriptions by December 20th will be featured in a 2016 Edition of either the Grapevine or La Viña, with a section highlighting the area's members' articles on recovery.

The Carry the Message project focuses on getting Grapevine and La Vina subscriptions to alcoholics in need, in one of two ways: 1) forward contact information from requests for subscriptions received by AAGV and 2) by encouraging members, groups and districts to forward subscription gift certificates to the area delegate for forwarding to the appropriate committee, such as Corrections, Treatment, CPC, etc.. More details will be coming.

Grapevine Finances: Grapevine finished 2014 with net income of \$325,828 against budgeted income of \$98,240; Gross profit for the magazine and subscription products reached \$1,529,063 (ahead of budget by \$147K; Gross profit on books and related items was \$509K:

Overhead costs were budgeted at \$1,820,700 vs an actual of \$1,719,600, leaving a savings of \$101K, mainly in Website expenses and G&A expenses.

International Convention Update: There are currently more than 36,000 registrants. GSO is working on the Advance Program with information about the Convention and a tentative list of A.A. and Al-Anon meetings that will be sent to all registered attendees. Once available, the Advance Program will be posted on GSO's A.A. Web site. In love and service,

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1. Conventions

Final Report 2015 SETA Convention -David A. -

I would like to thank you for the opportunity and privilege to be part of the SETA Convention Committee. It has been such a wonderful experience for me to work together with all of you in unity to serve the alcoholic that still suffers. I have heard of so many complements on the convention and know that this could not have been possible without the help of our higher power working with and through us all. I have been so very fortunate to work with such a dedicated and talented committee. Thank you all so very much for your service.

Moody Gardens Hotel:

The 2015 SETA Convention final room count, excluding the parlors for the hospitality rooms, was 661 room nights. This represents a net increase of 105 room nights from our final room count in 2012 when the SETA Convention was last held at Moody Gardens. The final room count in 2012 was 556.

The hotel staff was very pleased with the room count and they gave us a \$1000 break in our favor and removed the charge for the ballroom. In addition, the hotel staff was very generous and allowed us to have the Expo A (rooms 1, 2 & 3) for the band and dance and did a splendid job to decorate the tables with flowers and candles at no extra charge. To reciprocate the generosity of the hotel and to provide refreshments to the membership, the committee voted to have a concession stand at the dance and hired 2 concession cashers for the night for an extra charge of \$250. The hotel grossed about \$1,100 from the soda and chip concession at the dance.

In addition the hotel also sent complementary refreshments and food to the workers at the registration table from time to time. The staff and hotel management was excellent to work with.

Finally, the Moody Gardens Hotel requested feedback on their service and facilities in a formal Group Rating Form. Based on all of the positive feedback that I received from our membership about the hotel, I have completed the form with a rating of Excellent.

Finance Summary:

The Final Income/ Expense report for the 53rd Annual SETA Convention is attached to this report. The Convention Committee had an excess of \$8,844.82. After returning the advance of \$3000.00, we will be have a net excess of \$5,844.82 to return to the SETA Assembly General Fund.

Recommendations for next convention:

Special Needs - One thing that I think we could have done better on is to do more for special needs. In retrospect we should have some special seating areas for the members with scooters, wheel chairs and the people with canes and the elderly who have a hard time getting around. I also believe that we should have special seating set aside for the speakers and the hosts and the registration committee. We did finally think to reserve space for the speakers and for the registration table on Saturday night but I we had done this ahead of time for Saturday and more for that ahead of time.

Workshop- In an effort to get the flyer out early for the April Assembly we did miss a detail. We did not have the Leadership workshop listed on the flyer. A SETA Announce bulletin was sent out just before the convention but it would have been better to have that detail in the program / flyer. I believe that we had decent attendance for the workshop; but is did start out sparsely attended but later the attendance for the workshop did pick up.

53rd Annual SETA Convention Convention Guidelines and Policy and Procedures Manual review is recommended:

- **1. Missing Information:** A motion was approved at the July assembly in 2011 to make some changes to the Convention Guidelines to have the Convention Chair obtain the finance committees approval on the hotel contract and a budget. The motion also strengthened the wording on the final report to the assembly. It appears that there is some wording missing that had been previously approved in July of 2011.
- ••••Current wording: Submit a detailed final Convention Treasurer's Report to the April Quarterly Area Assembly following the completed Convention.
- •••Should be changed to: 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. I recommend that we take another look at the guideline and make sure we get the extra wording in it and make sure it is posted on the SETA Website under Convention folder before then next assembly.
- **2. Speaker's meals** I was somewhat confused on how to handle the speaker's meals. With some discussions with persons with past convention experiences we came up with some guidelines as to what is customary. However I never received any idea as to what was a proper amount. This all seems to be tribal knowledge as to what is customary. One of the speakers was very appreciative of us paying the meals and stated that there is always incidentals that he has to pay for when he travels to speak and that when conventions reimburse for meals that it is greatly appreciated. That being said, some speakers are frugal and others not as much. I would recommend that the committee should decide how much to compensate for the speakers and to give them a fixed stipend. Major corporations do not require receipts for meals under a certain amount. For example if we gave each speaker \$150 that would equate to \$15 for two breakfast meals and \$25 per meal; two lunch meals and two dinner meals. No one would be compelled to give receipts and then each would be treated fairly. Whatever the case there should be more of a speakers meal policy in the convention quidelines.
- **3. Area 67 Policy and Procedures Manual** It is not clear from the Policy and Procedures manual that the SETA Convention Chair is part of the Area Committee. Although it may be implied that the Convention Chair is the chair of an approved committee, when I was elected I was told that I was to have a vote only the year preceding the convention and that the assembly treasurer would cover the cost of my room only for that year. If this is the case it should be stated implicitly in the policy and procedures manual that this is the case. The convention chair is required to give reports for 2 years on Saturday and Sunday of each quarterly assembly.

Finally a detailed records book has been compiled for the incoming Chairperson that contains the records, notes, documents, contracts, and minutes. This record book is available electronically in pdf file format for any elected Convention Chairs for future Conventions and to be archived in the SETA Archives.

2016 SETA Convention – **Mary M.** – She mentions that it is a privilege and an honor to be the SETA Convention Chair for 2016. She says that David has done a great job, and will be a hard act to follow. She thanks David for all his help, the emails, phone calls, and suggestions. District 33 is the host committee for 2016. We are holding are committee meetings on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 3:00 pm at the Brazos Club in Bryan Texas. The convention dates are January 15th-17th at Moody Gardens in Galveston Texas. The room rate is \$117.00 per night. Hospitality rooms are \$375.00 per night, and they come with a one bedroom suite. We are currently working on the speakers. We will be needing lots of volunteers, so if you would like to be involved, please let me know.

2. Ad-Hoc Committee updates

Ad-hoc Committee on Election Procedures—Deborah D. -- Ad-hoc Committee Interim Report:

Committee Members: Paul M., Kate S., Troy B., Ron K., Cecil L., Kim R., Deborah D.

Our Committee's objective is to review the election process and see if we can make any improvements or modifications. (Reduce the time it takes to elect our trusted servants)

We have met four times, the most recent being yesterday, April 11, 2015. Our Committee has three recommendations for the Assembly to consider:

- 1. Check to see if the IT committee can create a spreadsheet with the names of the people who want to stand for the Committee positions (remove the white board and instead project on the screens in the front and rear of the ballroom).
- 2. Move all area business to Saturday, and only do voting on Sunday.
- 3. Do a mock voting workshop with both electronic voting and paper ballot voting. After the mock voting workshop, spend some time (maybe 30 minutes) receiving feedback from all of the participants. We are interested in hearing about your experience, both spiritual and technological.

Our next meeting will be a go-to meeting at the end of May; at least two members from our Committee are not in Houston. We look forward to a possible workshop in July. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Deborah D.

Assembly Weekend Scheduling / Best Use of Our Time and Purpose - Patrick C.-

Ad Hoc Committee Members: Patrick C. (Chair), Michelle H., Betsy G., Corrie H., Brad H., & Ginny M.

The Ad Hoc Committee has met four times since the January SETA Area Assembly. All of our meetings have been via Go-To-Meeting on Sunday evenings. The committee started by determining ground rules for how to interact and work together.

We then defined the focus and purpose of our committee with some initial input from our Area Chairperson.

A. Focus on purpose of committee:

- a. Explained that our Area Chair wanted to not just come into his first term and start changing things without input from members of the area. That is the main reason for idea behind creating this Ad Hoc Committee.
- b. The Area Chair has one idea he would like try and that is to move the Area Committee Meeting to Saturday evenings. Chair wants know what this Ad Hoc committee thinks about this idea.
- c. Assembly Weekend Best Use of our Time and Service
- d. Patrick shared that at the SETA Convention Clayton presented a workshop on Friday evening where he shared the importance of listening to reports during an Area Assembly meeting. Is it interesting? Is the Area involved in the spirit and is the Area making a difference in A.A.

We are seeking ways that we may improve or make our assembly weekends inviting to newcomers, spending our time wisely and effectively. Making sure we are keeping members interested, educated and involved. What is working well, what is not?

To fulfill the ad hoc committee purpose our agendas have included the following:

Brainstorm sessions:

What do you like and works well today?

What don't you like and think does not work well today?

Discussed and reviewed the last area inventory at depth to see what the area wanted to see changed or implemented. Asking the question, did this idea get tried?

Outreach: Performing outreach to the following areas to determine how their assemblies work. What works well, what does not. The following committee members took on these action steps.

Area NETA 65

Area NWTA 66

Area SWTA 68

We have had a good informed group discussion about the idea of trying the Area Committee to be held on Saturday evening.

Researching different Area motions using the Archives Committee Link on our Area Website.

Committee is beginning to put the ideas we have come up with into a "dream" or potential agenda.

The committee is continuing to meet and will be working to provide a final report to our Area Chairperson prior to the next Area Assembly in July 2015.

Respectfully prepared by: Patrick C. Ad Hoc Committee Chairperson

IX. New Business

Report from The 2016 Area Budget Presentation Workshop – Gary S. – (Finance Committee Chair)

Yesterday we provided the assembly with copies of the SETA 2016 Budget. The budget was formulated and put together by the budget committee, under the direction of the finance committee. The budget holders are anyone in the area that spends money as part of this budget committee. We come together and put our wish list together, then we look to see our we can put together a balanced budget, that we can vote on in the July Assembly. We would like for you to take the copies back to you're groups, so you can review them, before we vote on the budget in July. Gary mentions that the purpose of the Finance Committee is to look at the monies we have, and recommend to the SETA Chair if we have the dollars during the course of the year to spend. He also mentions that the committee is seeking new members. In particular someone from the Bryan district, and the Galveston district. Gary asks for questions from the floor, and no one has any questions.

Roll Call for Voting — Brad H. — Using our voting members number system, Brad takes the roll call of all the voting members of the assembly that are present.

IT Committee – SETA General Guidelines/Workshop Report – Marshall W. - We have been working on the IT General Guidelines for the last few years. We already have guidelines that have been approved for email, they are online, and guidelines approved for the SETA website. Does anyone have any questions about the guidelines before we vote? There are no questions, so Marshall steps down, and Troy states that the proposal comes out of the committee, and has been seconded. **Troy states the motion:**

"Move that Area 67 adopt the content of <u>Section 3¹</u> in it's entirety as recommended guidelines pertaining to the general management of SETA's information resources and SETA owned hardware and software:"

Troy asks for a show of hands of all those in favor, and all those opposed...**The motion passes unanimously.** Troy thanks the IT Committee for their very hard work.

PI/CPC Committee Budget Request/Workshop Report – Kate E. & Rick M. - — Bonnie, the recorder for the workshop gives a report on what the two committees do in their various service activities. She tells of the great need for more volunteers in this area, and gives the floor back to Troy. Troy states that the motion is the 1st sentence of the handout given by the two committees. **Troy states the motion:**

"The Public Information and Cooperation with Professional Committees would like to request no more than \$700.00 for the purpose of contracting for a phone number and an answering service."

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Report from The GSC Agenda Item Roundtable Discussion – Melissa R.- She thanks everyone who participated in the Roundtable Workshop. She mentions that she added some questions in that had only to do with SETA. The questions were about, how do we get more participation in our service committees. She also added in some questions about anonymity at out International Convention. She goes on to thank the participants again, and thanks the past delegates for their input. She then turns the floor over to the Roundtable Workshop recorders who each give their reports to the assembly.

A Motion from The Floor Concerning Melissa R., Our Current Area 67, Panel 65 Delegate — Patrick C.-Patrick thanks the chair, and states:

"I would like to make a motion that the Southeast Texas Area 67 send our Delegate, Melissa R. to the 65th General Service Conference, fully informed but not instructed."

The motion is seconded, and the **motion passes unanimously** to a standing applause.

X. Announcements – **Troy B.** – Troy reads through the many upcoming service events, and activities coming up in SETA 67. He then states, and asks for any objections to forming an ad hoc committee on a review of the SETA Convention Guidelines. The recommendation comes from David A., the 2015 Convention Chair. (There are no objections from the floor,) Deborah D. takes the floor and thanks Miguel O., Chair of the Multilingual Committee for doing the translation for the April assembly. Troy gives the info that the GSR Workshop had 24 new GSRs, and the Advanced GSR Workshop had 20 participants.

XI. Close Assembly – Troy B. - The April 2015 SETA Assembly closes at 11:15am with the A.A. Responsibility Statement.

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SETA STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Correctional Facilities Committee — Richard D. - The SETA CFC Committee meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm at the Delta club, 6400 Westpark Dr. #355. SETA CFC in cooperation with Intergroup CFC held an orientation at Intergroup on March 28th. We had about 50 potential volunteers show up and 3 of them attended our monthly meeting in April. District 81 is holding a TDCJ Orientation on Saturday May 16th from 12:30- 4:00 pm at the Bay Area Club in Webster, Tx. Free food will also be provided, so Please come out and be a part of this exciting way to do 12th step work. We will be hosting a CFC workshop at the 3rd Tradition Group on April 25th, 11:30- 1:30, the address is 5656 Belarbor 77033. We discussed having a workshop on correspondence at the Post Oak Club to try to get more people involved in CFC who are not able to go into Prisons or Jails. We will be working on flyers and a date on this workshop.

Thank You for this opportunity to be of service, Richard D. CFC chair.

Multi-Lingual Committee - Miguel O. - Our committee meets the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm at 4800 West 34th St. , Suite B-8 Houston, TX 77092 all are invited.

Our committee has been very busy these last 3 months. We helped the delegate translate some of the background information in preparations for the round table discussions. We are also busy translating the reports for the delegate. We worked very well with the secretary to get the minutes translated and printed for our assembly. We have been active translating for the delegate as she visit the 5 Hispanic districts.

We maintain and add to our glossary of terms and expressions words that do not translate well. We are always open to anyone who wants to join our committee.

The committee is currently looking for a translator because Nancy will not available anymore for personal reasons.

La Viña – Luis P. - Assembly SETA report. Work tables: La Vina - Grapevine

The Committee is composed of 5 committees from the different Hispanic districts. So far our meetings schedule is once a month, on the last Thursday of each month. By Rotary ascending order of 62 to 66. In regard to subscriptions committees work in the following way:

District 62, Coordinator Abel, 46 subscriptions

District 63, Coordinator Daniel, 31 subscriptions

District 64, Coordinator Octavio, subscriptions 48

District 65, Coordinator Arnulfo, 26 subscriptions

District 66, Coordinator Antonio, 40 subscriptions,

The past February 8, a workshop was conducted in the district 62, with an attendance of 25 members and motive to write histories for La Vina. Next on August 23 will be held another workshop in La Vina in district 63, pending time, but are usually at 10 am.

To encourage the sale of magazines of La Vina is according with the leftovers of the workshops which purchased 25 subscriptions and be distributed among the 5 committees looking for that they can be distributed to prison. No more to inform, very grateful.

At your disposal in the service, Luis P.

Cooperation Professional Committee —**Rick M.** - The CPC Committee hopes that everyone enjoyed playing "Truth or Dare" this afternoon. We are even more hopeful that perhaps our joint workshop with the PI Committee piqued your interest in these two very important efforts to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic. There is an overwhelming amount of work that can be done in both of these areas and we desperately need help and participation. As we pointed out, CPC is geared towards the professionals who see alcoholics before AA does. There are many, many opportunities in this area. The list of professionals who are in daily contact with active alcoholics is much too long to list here.

Several districts in SETA have very active CPC committees and they are doing some great work. Other districts are starting up their CPC efforts this year. The Area CPC Committee is very grateful for all of these efforts at the district level. If your district or group is involved in any CPC work, please try to attend our Area CPC meeting so you can inform

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us about your activities. Our meeting takes place on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 at the Houston Council on Alcohol and Drugs. We also use Go-To-Meeting for those remotely located. Check the CPC page for information. In March, with much help and cooperation from the CFC, the CPC Committee had the opportunity to give a presentation to a group of prison wardens in Huntsville. The information was well received and their supervisor encouraged his wardens to consider having CFC volunteers bring meeting to their units if they weren't already doing so. In May, the CPC Committee will have its display at the Mouth of the Brazos Conference in Lake Jackson. In June, at the request of the GSO CPC desk we will staff an AA booth at the Public Risk Management Association conference. Also in June we will have our exhibit at the Family Recovery Resource Expo & Symposium.

Thank you for this opportunity to serve Alcoholics Anonymous,

Rick M., SETA CPC Committee Chair

Information Technology Committee – Marshall W. - The ITC-Web Committee meets at the Spring Branch Memorial Club. (Blaylock). We meet every 4th Sunday of the month at 10:00am till 12:00pm except when the club is holding special events. We will then meet on an alternate date. The next meeting is on Saturday April 25th. The Area Website is www.aa-seta.org.

We have several open positions that we are looking to fill. Please contact me if you are interested. If you are interested but do not feel you are tech savvy enough.... then you are an excellent candidate. Being on the committee is an excellent opportunity to learn or become exposed to the inner workings of SETA's Information and Website Technology. The IT committee was very active at the Annual Convention in January in Galveston. We supported meetings with projector and screen requests. The Secretary's Laptop was handed over to the IT Chair for service at the convention. The laptop was infested with multiple malware infections. Malware Bytes was used to clean it up. The Laptop was updated with windows 8.1 and office 2013 was installed as well. It was then returned to the secretary at a later date. Financial —

The IT Committee Purchased a wagon, virus software, Financial Software for the Treasurer Position, blank DVDs and printer paper. Reimbursement for these expenses were received from the SETA Treasurer.

The treasurer issued a check for our Monthly Room Rental for the year payable to Spring Branch Club.

The IT Chair attended the 2016 Budget Committee meeting.

April 2015 Assembly Activities:

The committee set up the Projector and the Screen for Beginning GSR workshop.

We received a request from Paul M. to improve the voting programs used during the Area elections before the next Elections. Jeff the webmaster is responsible for the program and will work to improve it.

A request was also received from Troy that we change the Website Contact page. He suggested that the page encourage those submitting messages to include their e-mail address and Name when submitting messages. The committee received a display board that was donated by Rick of the CPC Committee. This will save the cost of buying a display board that the IT Committee was planning to purchase.

We presented a workshop on the proposed "IT General Guidelines". The adoption of the Guidelines by the Area will be

voted on Sunday. The Area Treasurer's Laptop was labeled with the Area Logo and identifying information. We are working to label all SETA Equipment. The National AA Technology Workshop will be held in Saint Louis Missouri October 1st thru 4th. The IT Committee will determine who will be attending the Workshop. Jeff the Webmaster attended the last Workshop in 2014. Respectfully submitted,

Marshall W.

SETA IT Chair

IT Committee		
Chair	Marshall W.	
Alt. Chair	Waco M.	
Secretary	(open)	
Postmaster	Kyna D.	
Alt. Postmaster	(open)	
Webmaster	Jeff H.	
Alt. Webmaster	(open)	
Support	Waco M.	
Alt. Support	(open)	
Review	Betsy G.	

Public Information Committee –Kate E. - The committee discussed three agenda items from the general service agenda

- 1- We viewed the PSA 'My world' and spoke about its relevance in today's world. We all agreed that a variety of PSA's are needed so that people with various 'stories' will find something they can relate to in a PSA so they want to find out more about AA
- 2- We had a lively discussion about AA using social media such as Twitter, Instagram and google +. The discussion hinged on the idea that in the 21st century social media is definitely a central means of communication, but AA needs to approach it with caution due to anonymity and affiliation challenges. We also discussed if the harm we might cause would out weigh any benefit we might realize
- 3-The proverbial question -how to we get more people involved. The basic theme here is outreach whether it be to the groups or the districts; thru workshops or one on one sharing

When we get people involved they can bring new ideas and experiences to the committee. Like the women at the meeting today who was asked by her church to do a presentation but had no idea how to do that.

It was announced that the committee would be doing a workshop at the third traditions group on May 2nd from 3:30 to 5 and all were invited

Our next meeting will be on Monday May 18th at the council on alcoholism on Jackson hill road or attend from home via your computer or tablet with the go to meeting platform. At that meeting we will be working on updating our display and discussing the development of a PI web page.

I want to say a special thanks to the area for the opportunity to facilitate the workshop today about the PI and CPC committees It was a lot of fun and I believe we realized one of our goals of the committee, that of informing the membership about what we do

In Service Kate E Area PI chair PI-chair@aa-seta.org

Grapevine — **Harold C.** - GVR Report for SETA Harold C- alcoholic-SETA GVR Chair. The committee has had regular monthly meetings on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Delta Club. Our next meeting will be May 14th at 7:30 pm due to scheduling issues. The Committee attended the SETA Convention in Galveston in January. We set up a booth at the Unity Convention in Bryan TX last month. We also reviewed the GVR Handbook at last months meeting. The Kingwood Group has a workshop planned. I will forward information as soon as I get it. We also went over the agenda items and background material. I also attended the District 33 monthly meeting in Bryan TX in March.

Respectfully submitted, Harold C.

Literature Committee – Kathleen T., Chair

Alt Chair: Vacant

Literature published by A.A. World Services is an important resource for suffering and recovering alcoholics. Our literature alongside, one-on-one sharing and group meetings is how we share our experience, strength and hope. General Service Conference-approved literature reflects the group conscience of the Fellowship of A.A. Conference approved literature includes the Big Book, Daily Reflections, the Twelve and Twelve and As Bill Sees It. It also includes a wide variety of other books and pamphlets that can teach us so much about our fellowship and program. By participating in our Area's Literature Committee, we are encouraging AA members to learn more about AA, its history and principals through reading and discussing a wide variety of AA literature.

Our committee is sponsoring an AA Book Club. The Book Club meets the first Saturday of the month at Houston Intergroup at 4:30. Our current book selection is "Pass It On". The pamphlet we will be discussing next month is "AA Grapevine and La Vina: Our Meetings in Print". Please refer to the Literature section of www.aa-seta.org for chapters that will be discussed at each month's the upcoming meeting. We also discuss a pamphlet at each meeting; refer to the same webpage for our upcoming selection. I would like to take this opportunity to give highest praise to Jeff, our Webmaster for his quick response in posting the information each month.

SCAP Committee - Barbara C., Chair

We are the State Convention Attendance Promotion Committee. The primary purpose is to promote within our area, the attendance at the Texas State Convention: Thus SCAP. The Texas 69th State Convention is being held in Midland, TX., August 14–16, 2015. (see aa-seta.org events for the flier. There ought to be both English and Spanish fliers up there.) Are you registered yet?

Past SCAP Chair, Francia, turned over many supplies, and a check for \$2,200.91 to me at the January Convention. After paying the bill of \$862.50 for a hospitality suite at that convention, a bank account of \$1,338.41 was opened at Wells Fargo. There are branches out there everywhere, and no one else has to go through the process again of opening a new account.

I contacted some persons whom had expressed an interest to serve...so...we have a committee of a few so far. We elected an Alt. Chair, Zazu M. We met in Beaumont in January, then Galveston in February, and then by phone in March. We reviewed the job descriptions, area motions pertaining to SCAP, and shared experience with both the state convention and SETA SCAP.

The committee hosted a table Saturday at the April Assembly to take your Texas State Convention paid registrations. The committee met this afternoon:

- 1. Minutes and financials were reviewed.
- 2. The committee drew from those paid registrations to award one lucky registrant a cash reimbursement. There were 6 names. The winner drawn is Deborah D.
- 3. Brainstorm session was held on ways to promote attendance: Continue the drawings at the July Assembly. The committee will also visit D32 and D40 in June, and do a drawing there.

The SCAP Committee meetings are open for all SETA members to join and participate. We hope for a rep from each district. Bring your bodies and your ideas to the committee on how to promote within the SETA, our attendance at the State Convention.

Thank you for letting me serve and grow in this fellowship, Barbara C., Panel 65 SCAP Chair

SETA DISTRICT REPORTS

District 40 April 2015 Report-

District 40's monthly meetings have been holding strong with an average of 27-30 members attending each month. The GSRs are on fire & seem to be hungry to learn, experience & be a part of EVERYTHING. New GSRs are showing up each month as groups step up & plug in, some for the first time ever & some for the first time in many years. We have the privilege of welcoming GSRs from our first prison group, The Breaking the Chains Group. Two of our members have been taking meetings into this facility for about 11 years collectively & through their passion & dedication our circle is widening to include as many as possible. All through SERVICE! Our Delegate & Alternate Delegate visited in March to help us better understand the process of the roundtables & how we can gather group feedback to help the Delegate prepare for the Conference. We have joined forces with District 52 this year to host an afternoon event to hear the Delegate's Final Conference Report on June 27th, a flyer for this will be posted on our webpage as soon as it is available; along with our 29th Annual Traditions Dinner flyer that will be held on June 13th. The Area Literature Committee will be giving a presentation this month at our meeting & the Area IT Committee will present in May. Our goal is to have all of the service committees come give a presentation to explain the important role they have in our service structure & how we can best support them & get involved. We are also moving forward in the responsibilities as host District for the Gratitude Dinner & look forward to working with our co-host D66. We have filled our Treasurer's position with a willing, able & qualified member, but still have 4 positions that are open. We are challenging our members to attend the service committee meetings this afternoon in hopes that those positions will in time be filled with trusted servants. Please come and visit us anytime, our monthly meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday at 7:00pm at Bear Creek Community Center...and we have cookies!

Michelle H. Corrie H. D40 DCM D40 Alt. DCM

dcm-40@aa-seta.org <u>dcm-40-alt@aa-seta.org</u>

District 20 - Charity D. -DCM

District 20 meets the first Saturday of every month at the Council for Alcohol and Drugs 303 Jackson Hill, Houston, TX 77007 at 6:00PM followed by food & fellowship at 7:30 PM. All are welcome to join us! We are planning a workshop in May or June focused around being of service to Alcoholics Anonymous. We have been discussing the tradition of each month, what we have learned from the past and how we can use this knowledge in the upcoming Zombie Apocalypse. We are also planning to visit groups without representation and have sent letters to most of those groups, explaining what the District does for the groups and to receive feedback on how they would like to utilize their contributions in order to effectively carry the message.

Yours in love and service, Charity

District 66 – Arnoldo – MCD, Andres – Alt MCD---- aadistrito66@gmail.com, www.distrito66.org

The District is composed of 25 groups and we meet every Saturday at 6pm and we are pleased for the privilege to serve. We visit with the groups that have GSR's on Wednesdays and on Fridays the rest of the groups that don't have GSR's and by invitation as well. We attend assemblies of area 67 and also support inter-district meetings and Hispanic conventions .The last Saturday of the month is when we have our study meetings. District 66 has agreed to participate and be the co-host of the gratitude dinner we are forming a committee but for now we have the chair person and alternate. Victor R. ALT. Armando A.

We would also like to inform everyone that in the last inter-district we agreed to celebrate AA Anniversary, The committee chair person is Carlos and Victor ,and so far we have the date is June 14th 2015 and everyone is welcome to attend district committees.

Correctional facility —is working with Harris county 701 San Jacinto every Friday in the 4th floor .We have two volunteers and four members were present in the recent orientation to attend the 5th floor.(Chair person Angelov)
La Viña committee —is working with are chair person and the rest of the inter-district viña committees. Every month they attend the Hispanic south area of Texas La viña permanent committee and have 47 subscriptions so far.
(Chair person-Antonio) Webmaster- has the website updated and is working with the daily quotes.
(Chair person-Gustavo)

Literature- doing well and in process of receiving more inventory. Our main focus is to supply the groups with service literature. (Chair person Magdaleno)

District 66 and the rest of the Hispanic districts are the host of the South Texas Hispanic Assembly that will be on November 6th-8th 2015 everyone is welcome to attend. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

District 52 – Dana G. – DCM- District 52

DCM Report - April 2015

This past quarter has been a tremendous period of growth, change and learning for myself and our district. As the incoming DCM, I am happy to report that district 52 is continuing to grow and receive support from our groups. We have two groups that have recently added GSRs and they have been regularly attending the district meeting with enthusiasm.

Our district is challenging itself in the upcoming months to take on commitments that we have previously not attempted. Along with support of my alternate, Diana S., we are looking into the possibility of co-hosting an upcoming assembly and are also planning our district workshop to be held in the upcoming months.

Our committees, including CPC/PI, TFC and CFC are continuing to seeing growth with members and our representatives are setting positive leadership examples. Other committees have been slower to coordinate but we are striving to become an active district with purpose and responsibility. Recently, we have seen younger members and those with many years of sobriety, come forward that are willing to lend their time and talents to District 52 and Area 67. I am confident our district will continue to grow.

In Service, Dana G. D52 DCM

District 32 - Ginny M. - DCM -

The assembly weekend is over, and we did our jobs well - it's so great that practically every member of our district 32 committee participated in the hosting, either by showing up or sending food. Thank you all so much for stepping up and being part of our effort to support the Area 67 quarterly assembly.

Brian, Katie, and Christy were all such great trusted servants on the district's behalf - they rocked it all weekend! Such great examples of service and leadership; I'm in awe of your steadiness under pressure Special thanks to Gerda G, past district 32 GSR and Archives chair, for presenting Tradition 11 at the Area committee meeting, and to Rick L for chairing the early-morning AA meeting on Sunday. You both added so much, and I appreciate your commitment.

The GSR workshops were well-attended and successful - thanks to Brian for organizing the bi-lingual arrangements, and generally being there to make sure it all went well. Patrick C, past delegate, Lynn G & Dave U, past DCMs, led the workshops expertly, and special thanks to Alison W & Lucky Z, our fantastic bilingual recorders! We are blessed to have such intelligent, accomplished people who will step up and serve when asked. Thank you so much.

The Literature table was set up with both English and Spanish AA books, thanks to Dick S from Intergroup, and we had volunteers from our district as well as the Spanish districts throughout the weekend. Thanks a million to Harold B who picked up & delivered the books for us - even in the lousy weather!

Registration was flawless, and the volunteers at the table looked like they were having fun while making sure it was all done properly. Katie rocked it and took care of our financial business at the same time - it's such a relief to know I can truly let go of "control" and everything is done well - thank you, thank you, thank you!

Hospitality was successful I think - Christy S - you were fabulous to be there all weekend, keeping the coffee fresh and the room welcoming! We had great food, supplied by many volunteers including the Telge Road Women's Group, and Vern brought some quite tasty homemade chili with several types of yummy garnishes. Dick S from Intergroup joined us Saturday night with lasagna and his good company, and we thank him for all his support. Current and past District 32 members were enormous help throughout, from unloading the packed car on Friday night to clearing away the wreckage on Sunday and packing it all up again, and all the cleaning & restocking in between! It's a lot of work, and without you great volunteers we couldn't have done it.

District 31 will host the next assembly, in July, and we can attend & participate as grateful members of SETA - next up for our district is our regular meeting on Sunday, May 3rd, @12:30. We will look ahead to our workshop in August, and discuss what else we can do to be of service to our district.

Thank you for letting me serve, Ginny

OTHER SETA ASSEMBLY REPORTS

GSR Workshop Report --

Beginner GSR Workshop Facilitators: Patrick C & Joel B

Translator: Alison W

Good afternoon! We had 23 participants that attended the Beginner GSR Workshop facilitated by Patrick C and Joel B. Literature provided included the Policy & Procedure Manual of the Southeast Texas Area, a handout which included maps of our region and area and a glossary of terms used in Service, and Pamphlet 43, 'The Twelve Traditions Illustrated'. Not only were the duties of the GSR discussed, but also the importance of the position as the voice and vote of the group, and the link to AA as a whole. Joel and Patrick shared the presentation of Concept 3, the Right of Decision, integral in the role of a GSR. Emphasized in the workshop was the service structure of AA, the geographical map of Area 67, and the coexistence of our Spanish speaking and English speaking districts. Time was also dedicated to the Southeast Texas Area website of AA, and how to navigate the page. Patrick discussed links to the various committees and how to find out about events going on in the area. The workshop concluded with time for questions. The term 'Service Sponsor' was discussed as well as to how increase participation at the group and district level. In service, Alison W.

Advanced GSR Workshop –

Attendance: 60 plus

Leaders: Oscar A., Charlie P.

Translation / Recording: Lucky Z., Deborah D.

Reviewed the packet of information: Discussed what is a GSR, and their responsibilities. Also service sponsorship, the right of decision, and getting your group involved. The service structure was taught, and we talked about voting procedures and process.

Questions from the GSRs: What are we voting on tomorrow? Are we going to talk about the voting items?

How and where do we get the GSR packets?

Roll Call

SETA COMMITTEE	ROLL CALL		April 11	& 12 2015		
POSITION	NAME	Sat	Sun	ALTERNATE	Sat	Sun
Delegate-panel 63	Melissa R.	х	×	Ron C.	×	×
Area Chairperson	Troy B	×	х	Kris H.	х	×
Area Registrar	Brad H	×	×	Darrell G	×	
Area Secretary	Jim K.	×	х	Daniel S.		
Area Treasurer	Dave P.	×	х	Kim R.	×	x
Area Archives Chair	Charles H.					
Area CPC Chair	Rick M.	×	х			
Area CFC Chair	Richard D.	×	х			
Area Finance Chair	Gary S.	×	×			
Area Grapevine Chair	Harold C.	×	×			
Area Web-IT Chair	Marshall W.	×	×			
Area LaVina Chair	Louis P.	×	х			
Area Literature Chair	Kathleen T		×			
Area Multilingual Chair	Miguel O.	х	×	Lee H	-	
Area Newsletter Chair	Anna D.	х	×		\neg	
Area Pl Chair	Kate E.	×	×			
Area SCAP Chair	Barbara C.	×	×			
Area TFC Chair	Melanie M.	×	×			
DCM District 10	Mike A.	×		Tracy W.		
DCM District 20	Charity D.	×		Rachel R.		
DCM District 31	Andie H.	×	×	Buddy M.	$\overline{}$	х
DCM District 32	Ginny M.	×	×	Brian D.		x
DCM District 33	Bill W.	×	×	Francia C.	_	
DCM District 40	Michelle H.	×	×	Corrie H.	×	×
DCM District 51	Amy E.			Randy H.	х	
DCM District 52	Dana G.	×	×	Diana S.	x	×
DCM District 60	Jesse F.	×	×	OPEN		
DCM District 62	Augustin C.	Х		Manuel D.		
DCM District 63	Edwin C.	 		Alicia M.		×
DCM District 64	Antonio M.	x	х	Luis B.		
DCM District 65	Dimas S.	×	×	Bernardino T.		×
DCM District 66	Arnaldo G.		×	Andres P.		×
DCM District 70	Ron S.	Х	×	Terri H.		
DCM District 81	Melody W.	X	Х	Christina E.	х	х
DCM District 82	Sherry B.	 ^	<u> </u>	Marty W.	×	×
DCM District 90	A.B.B.	×	х	Sal S.		
Brazos Valley Intergroup	Becky R.					
Houston Intergroup	Tom K.	Х	Х			
Ninth District Intergroup	Ron K.		х	Amy F.		
Oficina Intergroupal Hispano De Houston	Eliseo S.	×	×			
Intergroupo Hispano Del South West	Salomon L.					
SETA 2015 Convention Chair- Gal.	David A.	х		Kim R.	×	×
SETA 2016 Convention Chair- Bryan	Mary M.	x	х	Theresa O.	х	x
State Conv. 2019	Deborah D.	Х	X	1		

FROM: SOUTHEAST TEXAS AREA ASSEMBLY

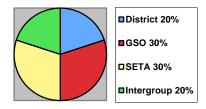
To: GROUP TREASURER

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.



Intergroup Addresses

Spanish Intergroup Office Northwest 4800 W. 34th St Suite C-5

Houston, TX 77092, Ph/Fax: 713-683-9277 Email: oficinaintergrupalhouston@yahoo.com

Houston Intergroup	Brazos Valley Intergroup	9th District Intergroup	Spanish Intergroup S w
4140 Directors Row	837 Harvey Mitchell	6640 Eastex Fwy. 149A	5412 Birdwood Road, B
Suite D-E	Parkway Bryan, TX 77807	#149-A PO Box 21279	Houston, TX 77096
Houston, TX 77092	Bryan, TX 77807	Beaumont, TX 77708	713-661-6833 Email: intergrupo@aahouston hispano.org hispano.org

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

	Group INTERGROUP (addresses listed above)					
FROM:	Group					
	GSO, P. O. Box 459, Grand Central Station, NY, NY 10163					
FROM:	Group					
TO:	SETA, P. O. Box 130433, Houston, Texas	77219				
FROM:	Group	_ Service No	Amount \$			
TO: (See SETA	District # A Website: www.aa-seta/org/district and go	to the District's page for add	dress information.)			