# Southeast Texas Area Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous



# 1st Quarter Assembly Minutes Saturday January 16, 2021

Online via Zoom Meeting\*

This we owe to A.A.'s future; to place our common welfare first to keep our Fellowship united.

For upon A.A. unity depend our lives and the lives of those to come.

# Area Committee Meeting Saturday, January 16, 2021 8:30 – 9:45(AM)

#### Open of Area Committee Meeting - Christina S.

- Welcome everyone!
- Opened meeting with moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer

#### Preamble to SETA Policies and Procedures Manual - Bella L.

Read the Preamble to the SETA Policies and Procedures Manual

#### **Zoom Meeting Format** – Christina S.

 Instructions were given for how the meeting would run, naming conventions and how anyone could move from room to room. Raising (blue) hands, to ask questions and instruction for Spanish speaking members.

#### Area Committee Roll Call - Kathleen T.

- Roll call was called verbally First Roll Call
- 106 Registered voting members (officer, committee, DCM, past delegate, convention chair, or GSR)
- See Page 20-21 for table of Area Committee Roll Call

#### Secretary's Minutes - Meece' T.

October 2020 minutes were approved as submitted.

#### Treasurer's Report - Reino F.

· Report was approved as submitted.

#### **Delegate's Introduction and Comments**

#### **Alternate Delegates' Introduction and Comments**

#### 2022 SETA Convention Overview - Debi F.

- January 21 23, 2022
- Houston City PI Marriot Hotel
- Same speakers, same committee members and will begin meeting monthly in July
- All registrations for 2021 were refunded

#### Ad Hoc Committee - Melissa R.

- Purpose of Area Committee
- Does the Area Committee meet said purpose?
- How can we better serve the groups and districts within our area?
- Should the Area Committee meet during the Assembly?
- Should the Area Committee meet at all?
- Should an inventory be done within the Area Committee?

#### **Unfinished Business**

#### **Open Positions**

2022 SETA Convention Chair CPC Committee Chair Grapevine Committee Chair La Vina Committee Chair Multi-Lingual Committee Chair 9<sup>th</sup> District Intergroup Liaison Officina Intergroupa Hispana (D63,64 and 65) Intergroup Hispano Del SW (D66 and 67)

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion for voting on Agenda Topics on Saturday - Catherine G.

#### Background:

Discussions with the GSR's in District 81 have resulted in several concerns about Area Assembly and the availability for participation on the GSR level.

As Concept IV States: Throughout our Conference structure, we ought to maintain at all responsible levels a traditional "Right of Participation," taking care that each classification or group of our world servants shall be allowed a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

AS stated in SETA Job descriptions the DCM is responsible for informing the District GSR's and Committee Chairs and informing the Area of the GSR's and Committee Chairs concerns.

According to A.A. Structure (please see page S16 Service Manual) our GSR's represent the A.A. Groups. The importance of their participation in Assemblies is vital on several levels.

- a. The GSR duties as described in A.A. service manual (please see page S26) is the link between the Home Group and A.A. as a whole. The GSR represents the voice of the group conscience of the home group. It is only when the GSR keeps the group informed and communicates the group conscience can the conference truly act for AA as a whole.
- b. To be able to bring information back to their respective groups.
- c. To vote on behalf of their group members.
- d. Be able to see firsthand the process of the Assembly on all levels including the voting process.
- e. To have more exposure to Area Committees at work.
- 2. Many Groups do not have the financial means to cover the Hotel expense for the GSR to be present Saturday and Sunday. Many GSR's have family and or work responsibilities that makes a full weekend difficult at best to attend both days.
- 3. According to our 7th Tradition stating we should be fully self-supporting. The possibility of changing the format of Assemblies the Area would in effect be supporting the Groups GSR'S.
- 4. Since Voting takes place on Sundays the format of Assembly does not lend itself to equitable voice and vote for those not able to attend both days.

#### Questions:

How would the change affect planning of the Assembly? Area Chair advised that she would plan accordingly.

If voting is done on Saturday, what would the GSR's miss on Sunday? Area Chair shared thoughts of how this change may be made (i.e., moving Committee Reports to Sunday and Committee meetings to later in the evening on Saturday or possibly Sunday).

Vote – Called by Christina S., the poll was opened, and the results are below: In Favor – 16 Opposed – 09

#### Minority Opinion - Rick M.

Prior to standing for a position everyone should ask themselves, "am I willing and am I able?" Service requires sacrifice, in addition, there is a wealth of information being communicated on both days that it's imperative that the GSR's attend both days regardless to when the vote is taken.

<u>Result</u> – One member changed his vote, from being in favor to opposed. Then the Committee opened a poll to vote on reopening the discussion and the result is below:

In Favor – 24 Opposed – 7

#### Additional Discussion:

Changing the vote to Saturdays would actually weaken our Service Committees rather than strengthening them, many may opt to leave earlier, and the purpose of our Assembly would be affected.

One member was in favor of voting on Saturday, if the Assembly could do anything to assist the groups in getting their GSRs to the Assembly then we should. This is a program of attraction not promotion, if we can do a one-day assembly by zoom today, there really isn't any difference with an in-person Assembly. We make adjustments to be all inclusive, the more GSRs in attendance mean more groups being represented.

Other possible solutions – GSR/Group come together saving \$1.00/per day, stay at the Red Roof In for \$45/night and this motion would decrease participation as opposed to increasing participation.

Kris H., called the question, ending the discussion.

Christina S., by a show of hands, vote for calling the question. The Committee voted to call the question and the poll was launched. The results were as follows:

In Favor – 16 Opposed – 15

The Committee has second the motion by simple majority.

Announcements - held until the end of the Assembly.

Close Meeting - Responsibility Statement

# Area Assembly Meeting Saturday, January 16, 2021 10 am – 11:30(am)

#### Zoom Meeting Format - Bella L.

Instructions were re-emphasized.

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#### Treasurer's Report - Reino F.

Since last October the Treasurer has been organizing the information to pass along to the incoming Treasurer.

He has attended the Finance Committee monthly meetings.

The past Treasurer was to make changes to the SETA Convention box on the Treasurers Summary Report. Ron S and Kris H made the requested changes that came from the Finance Committee meeting. It was shown on the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Summary Report.

The checkbook balance as of September 3, 2020 was \$85,382.20 The 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter income was \$9,514.04 which had group contributions of \$9,507.58 and Interest Income of \$7.04. The expenses were \$7,134.55 for a net change of \$2,380.07. The checkbook balance as of December 31, 2020 is \$87,762.27.

The new incoming Treasurer met Ron S on Saturday 1/9/21 to start the transfer process. I received the computer and the checks. We will meet in the near future so Ron can close out the transactions that are needed to be added in the Quicken file. And he will give me a usb drive with information that Ron had on his personal computer. I am not sure what that information is or will be.

I look forward to being your Area Treasurer for this next rotation.

#### Ad Hoc Committee Report - Melissa R.

Hello everyone. Thank you, Christina for the opportunity to chair this ad hoc committee.

This will be a follow-up to two suggestions from the Area Inventory Ad Hoc Committee that pertains to the Area Committee.

The suggestions were as follows:

#### Number 1:

- That the Area Committee look at meeting ahead of the Assembly, to set the agenda and review it prior to the Assembly weekend.
- Should the Area Committee use the time at assembly for more interaction with GSRs and Service Committees? (that the AC meeting at Assembly has not been the best use of time for ALL Assembly attendees.

#### Number 2:

• That a specific Area Committee Inventory be considered. What can be done to better serve the GSRs?

The committee will be considering these questions, getting input from other Areas as well as drawing upon the vast knowledge available in our own area.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Area.

Melissa Redd Chair

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### 2022 SETA Convention Chair – Debi F.

Debi F. was elected to Chair rescheduled 2021 Convention; Julian made a motion of acclimation and Chis G. second the motion.

#### CPC Committee Chair - Don

• Don stood and was elected; Troy made a motion by acclimation and Chris G., second the motion.

#### Grapevine Committee Chair - Louis stood and was voted in as Grapevine Chair.

Reino made the motion by acclimation and Byron second.

La Vina – OPEN Multi-Lingual – OPEN

#### 9th District Intergroup - Ray

Julian made a motion by acclimation and Chris G. second

Officina Intergroupa Hispano (D63,64 and 65) - OPEN Intergroup Hispano Del SW (D66 and 67) - OPEN Intergroup Hispano Del SW Alternate (D66 and 67) - OPEN

#### Motion for voting on Agenda Topics on Saturday – Catherine G.

- See Area Committee Meeting, Saturday, January 16, 2021 (AM) for full report.
- Q&A/Comments:
  - o Tony, Alt DCM. D33 is against the motion, GSRs have more to learn during Area Assembly weekend.
  - o Joel, didn't feel there was enough information, concerned with timeline and logistics of making change.
  - Jane, most service work done in Area 65, suggested that the expense could be mitigated by sharing rooms; this should be addressed at the group level to raise the funds.
  - o Laura agrees the Assembly should be a one-day event to avoid missing work for an entire weekend.
  - Kathleen T. opposes the motion because it would weaken the Service Committees.
  - Allise B., the voting isn't the most important part, the learning part is most important, both days are necessary for the commitment.
  - Mike D., Panel 49, the more involved you become the larger the sacrifice; GSR's should fully understand what they are actually voting for or against.
  - o Julian L., suggested that we have Area Committee on Friday, then Area Assembly on Saturday
- Motion failed with a vote of 13 For, 49 Against; no minority opinion offered.

#### **Additional New Business:**

**Adopted Past Delegate, Rodrigo C., from Columbia**; recognized after serving in Area 67 the past two years as the DCM for D66 via motion Troy D and second by Rick M.

#### Announcements - Bella L.

- 74th Texas Convention will be held June 11-13, 2021 at the Hilton, 815 Main St., Ft. Worth, TX.
- The Regional Forum will be held virtually, October 8-10, 2021.
- 50th SETA Convention will be held January 21-23, 2022 at 1200 Lake Plaza Dr., Spring, TX

Close Meeting - Responsibility Statement

# Area Assembly Meeting Saturday, January 16, 2021

#### Delegate's Report - Kris H.

Happy New Year, SETA Family! As you all know by now, the 2021 SETA Convention was rescheduled for January 21-23, 2022 due to hotel restrictions on occupancy forced by COVID-19. It would not be possible to meet our budget and contractual requirements with such low attendance.

After reviewing with my co-chair, the convention treasurer and alternate, and the Area officers, and with District 90 DCM (the next host in the convention rotation), all agreed that rescheduling the convention for the following year was the best option. The hotel was very happy to accommodate our request and modify the contract for the new dates, with the same contract terms.

All of the scheduled speakers and the taper for the 2021 convention were able to commit to the new dates in 2022. A few of the convention committee members were unable to continue with their commitment, which has allowed for new people to step up to service. All of the pre-registrations for the 2021 convention were refunded. Committee volunteers are in the process of updating the website and setting up the Eventbrite registration for 2022 and preparing a new flyer. Once all of the information is updated, I will send out an announcement via SETA-Announce email list.

Assigned a committee for the next General Service Conference, Grapevine/La Vina, which will be exciting! G-Suites will be utilized to take polls and enhance the two-way communication desired between the groups, districts and Area 67.

Thank you all for your continued love and support, and for your understanding.

In love and service,

#### Alternate Delegate's Report - Rick M.

Good morning everyone, my name is Rick M., and I am an alcoholic. I am very humbled and honored to be serving as your Alternate Delegate for Panel 71. Thank you for your trust and support. One constant with the beginning of every rotation is that we all are also at the very beginning of a very steep learning curve. Two years ago, when I stood before you as your new Area Chair feeling very much like a deer in the headlights, I knew the learning curve would be steep and challenging. Little did any of us know just how challenging the past rotation would become. AA as a whole and the AA service structure adapted, improvised, and overcame those challenges in a highly effective fashion. Thank you all for rising to the occasion and figuring out how to bring a program and fellowship based on face-to-face interaction into a virtual world. While many folks were anxious to get 2020 over with and out of the way, it remains to be seen if 2021 will be any less of a challenge. It likely will present its own challenges and I know you will rise to any occasion that 2021 presents.

The most important duty and responsibility of the Alternate Delegate is to pray for the health and safety of the Delegate. I think it is fairly obvious why I consider that my most important duty. That process has already started with me and I would invite each of to join me in this endeavor. It will further be my goal to be as familiar as possible with the agenda items and background material for the 71<sup>st</sup> General Service Conference and to assist Kris in whatever way he needs or requests of me

The Alternate Delegate is also given the responsibility of keeping you informed about our regional events. The Southwest Regional Forum will be virtual and will take place October 8-10, 2021. There will be three other Regional Forums this year and all will be virtual. I will have information on those at our April Assembly. The State Convention is currently scheduled to be held in Ft. Worth on June 11-13, 2021.

I have been informed by my service sponsor and other folks that I trust that I am being asked to switch my focus from the Area, my home District, and my home group to AA as a whole while staying informed of the Area's conscience. While this has already proved difficult, I will do my best. I will likely need to be frequently reminded.

Thank you once again for this opportunity to serve the Southeast Texas Area and Alcoholics Anonymous.

In love and service,

**GSR Workshop** 

Paul M opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer and introduced Tom B as co-facilitator.

34 GSR's in attendance

Communication is the key. GSC is not static-it goes on all year with the flow of information up and down the service structure-

Paul used a modified GSR Power point presentation and as we reviewed the slides, we incorporated the first 5 Concepts in the talk touching on:

1- Responsibility

- 2- Delegation,
- 3- Right of Decision,
- 4- Right of Participation,
- 5- Right of Appeal "Minority Opinion"

We demonstrated how the GSR, in their practice at the group, district and area, were using the principles of the concepts in their service to A.A. Covered general responsibilities as it concerned Group, District and Area.

Covered specific literature that is important for the New GSR: Service manual, Group pamphlet, 12 Tradition Illustrated, 12 Concepts Illustrated- Emphasizing studying both Tradition's and Concepts.

Paul M then reviewed and showed the GSR's the SETA Website and demonstrated how to navigate and use the SETA website as a communication tool. This site is very important to keep the GSR's and their groups informed. Stressed using SETA Announce and new email system emphasizing setting up anonymous email addresses.

SETA Website- aa-seta.org check GSR page, Seta Chair page for agendas & voting info, subscribe page-sign up for seta-announce@aa-seta.org,

Note- GSR can set up anonymous email for themselves and the groups.

Importance of Anonymity in email address

Ended with a questions and answers session.

Close the meeting with: A Declaration of Unity

## **Service Committee Reports**

#### 2021 SETA Convention - Debi F.

SETA Family,

Please accept my apologies for not being in attendance this weekend. I am recovering from a nasty 3-week sinus infection and need to allow my body to rest and recover.

As you know by now, Tony Welch of District 33 has graciously agreed to serve as my co-chair.

The hotel contract has been signed for the 59<sup>th</sup> SETA Convention. The location is the City Space Marriott located near the intersection of I-45 and 99 (Grand Parkway). The dates are January 14-16, 2021.

The taper has been selected and we are still in the process of selecting speakers.

There are still approximately half of the committee positions to be filled. If you are interested in serving on the committee, please contact Tony or myself. Many of you have already contacted me and I will follow up within the next month to finalize with you. If you do not hear back from me, please contact me, as I could have lost track of your name in the bustle of life the past few months.

Thank you for the honor and privilege to serve the Area. I look forward to seeing you all in the coming months and at the January 2020 convention in Galveston.

Love in service.

Debi Fisher Chairperson

Phone #: 832-610-4711 Email: 2021@aa-seta.org

#### Archives - Mike D.

- 1. Our Houston Intergroup location since early 2020 till now the settling in and organizing just about finished.
- 2. The display items we traditionally use, talk of upgrading them.
- 3. Getting back on developing a website for the committee.
- 4. With the help of SETA IT continuing on the upgrading of committee computer.
- 5. Establishing a 'Cloud' account.

We wish that the entire Fellowship, all SETA and its districts and groups continue with putting our common welfare first. Like our earlier members who fought during WWII and on, we can and have shown our willingness to continue, no matter what.

Stay safe and joyous,

Mike D.

SETA Archives chair

#### CFC - Roland R.

Correctional facility committee report

January 16th, 2021

Zoom meeting

We meet at 4041 directors row suite d. Third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. This Wednesday will be of first meeting. All positions have been filled accept Spanish liaison.

Vice chair of committee is Tony Welch.

Due to covid-19 we're not going into units, however we are dropping the books off at units and mailing in literature through correspondence.

That concludes my report.

Love and service

CFC chair

Roland R.

#### CPC - Kimberly L.

No Report Submitted

CPC Committee Purpose – "Members of C.P.C. committees inform professionals and future professionals about A.A.—what we are, where we are, what we can do, and what we cannot do. They attempt to establish better communication between A.A.s and professionals, and to find simple, effective ways of cooperating without affiliating." – reprinted from Cooperation with the Professional Community Workbook, page 5, with permission from A.A. World Services, Inc.

#### Finance - Michelle H.

Hi Committee,

I just want to take a minute to officially Pass It On. The big Finance Chairperson binder & flash drive has been delivered to Ron S. I think as a whole committee we accomplished several goals, but most importantly we established trust, honesty, transparency & consistency within the Financial well-being & attitude of most of the Area. There is still a lot that can be looked at, researched, brainstormed, charted, graphed & brought forth to the front lines, which is great because this is a committee that needs to always ask if our very best policies are being practiced & in place.

I believe the foundation of the Area Finance Committee holds a strong structure that can remain steady if honored & maintained. Please support your incoming Area Finance Chair, Area Treasurer, Alt. Treasurer & Finance Committee if you are called to in your heart to & have the time available to serve.

I enjoyed Finance way more than I could have ever imagined, lots of the working parts of our Area make more sense to me now & I can see that it all is relatively simple if we don't take ourselves too seriously.

I thank God for equipping me to serve Him & I thank you for your commitment to the Finance Committee during my term.

#### Grapevine - OPEN

Meeting on ZOOM

Chair position was voted in at Assembly:

Luis A. is the Area Grapevine Committee Chair for Panel 71., not present at this meeting.

No agenda present. Nor did I send out GV NEWS for the month. Welcome to the new GVRs - Fernando - District 52, Darryl - District 31.

Asked what I could help them all with if they all registered with GSO.

Sending out the minutes for December minutes to new GVRs along with the Grapevine handbook. Sent them the GV NEWS for the month. Along with all the other information for a GVR.

Went over what our purpose is for the grapevine.

Talked about the Carry the message Project and ways to implement it in the middle of a pandemic. Shared committee made jars of Districts to give to groups. Maybe the committee can make some more and get them to different Districts.

We did not discuss the workshop much since it was only 3 members of the committee on.

CFC is in the process of purchasing grapevines to send into the prisons. Darryl wanted to know how to get order forms and a few other items.

I sent out:

12 ways GV helps

Complimentary material form

Grapevine LaVina here to help

CTM flyer

**GV Catalog 2020** 

**GV** Guidelines

**GV** Annual pricing

GVEAB [THE EDITORIAL ADVISORY BOARD OF AA GRAPEVINE, INC] How It Works GVR Registration form

**GV** Workbook

Multiple Subscription order form

Single Subscription order form

Self-Support 2020

YouTube 2019

Thank you for the opportunity to serve, Kimberly L.

### IT – Jorge F.

First of all, I am honored to be of service to AA, as somebody new in sobriety I have a profound gratitude for the program and the fellowship of the spirit. I truly believe that it is God's will that I have the opportunity to serve the Area and to help carry the AA message.

I joined the IT committee in May of 2020 to help with the implementation of GSuite, a collaboration tool that will help improve the collaboration in the Area. The first phase of the project which includes email and other basic functionality was implemented in October and a second phase is on target to be completed early in 2021, with features that will enhance communication among SETA Officers, Committee Chairs, and DCM's.

The year of 2020 has left us with countless lessons, first of all how privileged we are in AA to count with a program that allows us to share our experience, strength and hope with each other and that technology when used for the benefit of humanity can be a life saver. Virtual meetings via Zoom became a life saver for many of us and the fellowship to continue having meetings. I look forward to continuing applying technology as a way to serve our community and carry the message to those that are still suffering from alcoholism.

In Love and Service,

Jorge F.

#### La Viña - OPEN

#### Literature - Hilton L.

We start a new rotation for our Area 67 service positions, and I have the good fortune of being elected chairperson for the Literature Committee.

This committee was very active in the past two years in doing requests from SETA for workshops. We also participated in the round tables process for GSO by assisting the Area Delegate in reviewing the Conference Literature Agenda Items.

As the previous Area Literature Alternate Chair, I had the advantage of experiencing for future reference what the Literature Chair was doing to organize and guide the committee. I now hope to apply that to the committee activities to come.

The Literature Committee looks forward to being of service to SETA and to all of the AA community. Our goal is to do what we can to further awareness for AA conference approved literature, audiovisual, and other special items.

Thanks, Hilton L.

Area Literature Chair

#### Multi-Lingual - OPEN

#### Newsletter - Melanie G.

My report is short and sweet.

I have reached out to the past Newsletter Chair, the current Chair, and a past Delegate to advise on how I can obtain the Newsletter template so that I can begin working on the Newsletter for our 1st quarter due April 2021. However, I have not received a response as of yet.

I will send out an all SETA request for articles and submissions within the next couple of weeks and may simply create a new template.

In service,

Melanie

#### PI - Christi A.

I am looking forward to getting underway with my new position on the PI Committee. We will be meeting to focus on specific goals for the upcoming year. I would like to invite all to join in on a committee meeting.

PI Committee meets last Tuesday of the month on zoom

Zoom # 330 417 285

Password: 153379

Please pass along to your groups and districts.

In service,

Kristi A.

Area PI Chair

Kristi.a@aa-seta.org

#### SCAP - Deborah M.

I have been in attendance of State Convention planning meeting. They are moving forward with an in-person convention in June. They have also discussed having zoom available as well. Next meeting will be Sat. the 12 hopefully the plans will be more confirmed as to convention. I look forward to visiting the districts in our area and passing along information soon. Thank You Deborah M.

# TFC - Kendall W.

Dear Area 67,

The Treatment Facilities committee is ready to add contacts to the new TFC Bridge the Gap Data Base

- TFC is requesting that all committees, and DCM's please forward the following links to groups and members.
  - o The link for the form for BTG volunteer sign-up can be found at the following:
    - From the TFC page click on sign up http://www.aa-seta.org/committees/treatment/index.shtml
    - Or to directly access the form https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScEuKZ\_6OQa3d\_DIUUZf\_EM2yzDLEB9NrGuAbqIZ
       5jezeSavg/viewform

#### Pandemic Changes

- The TFC is increasing digital presence and communication with area treatment facilities due to COVID-19.
  - o Traditional face to face meetings and opportunities in many areas have been shut down.
    - TFC needs volunteers with knowledge and ideas to help bring the message into the facilities virtually.
    - This is an opportunity to grow and assess how we reach individuals through zoom, media, and more.

#### **TFC Training**

- The TFC is working on putting together a training workshop to help new district committee chairs and anyone interested in learning how to reach out and work with these facilities.
- IT will facilitate training for new members on the new e-mail, G-Suite, and website. A member of IT will be at the February zoom meeting to help members with Gmail and Google Suite set-up. Anyone interested in TFC is welcome to attend.
  - Join Zoom Meeting
  - https://us02web.zoom.us/j/552569731?pwd=dFR6OHNyOGJUWWJEWEg2aksveTg2UT09
     ID: 552 569 731 Passcode: 169753

#### Service Opportunities

- Secretary
- We need **YOUR** help if you are tech savvy or interested in developing virtual media for distribution at our area treatment facilities.
- For more information, please contact Kendyl W. at kendyl.w@aa-seta.org

#### Brazos Valley Intergroup - Lee R.

No Report Submitted

#### Houston Intergroup - Joel G.

Board of Trustees' Meeting Agenda Membership contributions below budget. Big Book Back in Stock

Have about 81 Groups that have opened for in person meetings Incoming phone calls for the month of October totaled 1,533. Anonymity Workshop: October 24,2020 - Participants: 24

Open House: cancel the Holiday Open House

Delegate's Meeting Agenda

Announcements: James H. • Elections tonight.

Welcome to New Delegates • One new delegate – Jason from Kingwood Group

Bookstore Income increase to \$20k in August

Conference income way down.

Ad Hoc: Lease Committee Dale C. • Lease expires on September 30, 2021.

New Business: BOT Elections • 4 Positions available per year. • 2 Returning Trustees. Chris D. and Erin K. • 2 New Trustees - Casey M. and Paul K.

9<sup>th</sup> District Intergroup – OPEN Oficina Intergrupal Hispana (D63, 64, 65) – OPEN Intergrupa Hispano Del SW (D66 & 67) – OPEN

# **District Committee Member (DCM) Reports**

District 10 – No Report Submitted

**District 20** – George S. No Report Submitted

#### **District 31** – Cheryl M.

District 31 DCM Report January 2021, SETA Assembly Cheryl M., DCM Greetings from District 31! I am Cheryl M., and I'm excited (and nervous) to be serving as the 2021-2022 District 31 DCM. Our district has over 40 groups and we are located in the northeast corner of the Southeast Texas area 67. We meet the third Sunday of every month at 2pm-4pm at the 494-meeting hall in Porter, Texas. We have filled most of our service positions, and hope to fill the remaining positions (PI, CPC and Archives) soon so we can stay fully informed of and involved in all service opportunities. We have been having our monthly district meetings in a hybrid format (combined Zoom and in-person) whenever feasible, otherwise we meet via Zoom only (if Covid-19 cases/hospitalization are rising significantly). We recently updated our District meeting schedule, adding on-line meetings and omitting the schedules for groups not currently meeting, and have printouts available for our GSRS. Otherwise, our district activities have been very limited due to the restrictions caused by the pandemic. We are looking forward to getting busy again in the coming months. We continue to pray for the health and safety of all as we trudge through these difficult times. In Loving Service, Cheryl M DCM District 31

**District 32** – Marcia C. No Report Submitted

#### District 33 - Allise B

The 2021-22 rotation is off to a great start! I'm thrilled to announce that we have filled all but two of our Committee Chairs:

Office/ Committee	Officer or Chair
Committee	Cilali
DCM	Allise B
Alt DCM	Tony A
Secretary	Suzanne M
Treasurer	Rick L
Unity Conference	Suzanne M
Archives	Wayne S

CFC	Ashton D
CPC/PI	Laura W
Events & Activities	Cody R
Grapevine & La Viña	Les R
IT	Kevin B
Literature	Kristey B
Multilingual	Open
TFC	Dan K
Intergroup Rep.	Les R
State Convention Attendance Promotion Committee (SCAP)	Open

Julio M is finding a Multilingual Chair for us and Francia P is looking for the SCAP Chair while the Committee Chairs and I recruit the Alternates. I am also looking to our past DCMs to find Advisors to each committee, particularly those with a passion for the work they will guide. Tony W and Dan K have been formidable CFC Chairs and Francia P brings excellent SCAP experience to help those new to the position. I am grateful our past DCMs bring their wisdom and continue to be involved in our District.

We have our first two Workshops planned for January 23 and February 20 on the Traditions and Concepts, respectively. David and Chris of IllustratedSteps.org have graciously agreed to visit us virtually from Australia and make these presentations with their animated slide shows. Tony A is about to embark on scheduling workshops with each of our new Committee Chairs and I pledged during the Western Regional Forum to hold another Sharing Session on Race & Racism at either the District or Area level, so we will have lots to offer and welcome everyone to join us. Details will be on aa-seta.org/dcms/33.

District 33 upgraded its technology during the end-of-year sales and have noticed significant improvement in our Zoom meetings with our omnidirectional microphone and PA system. We also now have a District-owned TV & PC so we are no longer reliant on members to bring personal equipment. We have an equipment-sharing agreement with our Brazos Valley Intergroup and the Brazos Club where we meet and expect to benefit from their provision of internet service.

We hold hybrid District meetings in-person and online at 1pm the third Saturday of each month. Any AA member is welcome to attend either way.

#### District 40 - Jackie S.

My name is Jackie S., and I am currently serving as DCM for <u>District 40</u>! I feel so blessed, we just had our first meeting earlier this week and we have now filled all of our service positions!

It was voted that we would continue to meet on Zoom and so I had the Meeting ID and passcode posted to our D40 SETA webpage. Our meeting time is the  $2^{nd}$  Tuesday of the month from 7:00 - 9:00 PM.

At our first meeting, I gave a report on the U.S./Canada Forum – West that I attended in December 2020. Doug D., our Alt DCM, gave a report on this upcoming SETA assembly.

We were very fortunate that Stephanie B volunteered to update the roster for the January meeting because the Alt Secretary was the one open position we had left. But during the first meeting, Ed S. stood for the position and was voted in filling our last open position.

We went over several things and how to locate them. One was being D40 job descriptions in our P & P that is posted to the SETA D40 webpage. Another was how to get the new SETA name-based email accounts. And also, we went over where to find the new fillable GSR Group Change Form on the Registrars SETA webpage. And lastly, I showed how to subscribe to SETA ANNOUNCE. Since we are meeting on Zoom, it was simple for me to Share Screen and show all the necessary webpages.

As our Committee Reps began their reports, we soon found out that some committees have not met in this new term as of yet.

I am grateful to be here today and I look forward to serving!

Jackie.s@aa-seta.org

DCM D40

#### District 51 - Gordon W.

District 51 participation has been steadily growing over the last few months. We now have four new GSRs and recently elected a new DCM, secretary and Treasurer. Given that we have eleven active groups in our district and our size in area, we consider this to be significant. For those of you who are curious as to our location on the Area 67 map and can't find us, a magnifying device of some kind is required.

We made the decision to make our district meetings hybrid—meaning they will be held physically at the Delta while being simulcast over Zoom. We had noticed that some tension had been developing between our in-house meetings and the equivalent Zoom meetings. To eliminate that (at least on the district level) we made the decision to adopt to the hybrid meetings and purchased the required equipment to make it happen.

Moving forward, we will revive our district workshops adapted to the Zoom format and are in the process of considering what they might be. We are excited about our new resurrection and look forward to participating in the area going forward.

In Service,

Gordon W.

#### District 52 - Meece' T.

Moving forward...it is with great joy that I pass the baton to our incoming DCM, Chris G and Alternate DCM Ricardo D. I am humbled by the privilege to serve District 52 for the past two years. I had great aspirations to contact each group and encourage participation in the fellowship by voting in and sending a GSR to our meetings. Unfortunately, due to the constraints of Covid-19 we were unable to achieve our goals. However, we were able to band together and get through one of the most unprecedented times our fellowship has had to endure in recent times. I know that the District is in good hands, it has always survived with the faithful few and our belief that we are serving in gratitude a fellowship that has saved our very lives. District 52 will continue to grow as I leave you in the safest place anyone could reside, in God's care. Remember, bbp 77, Our REAL purpose is to be of maximum use to God....

District 60 -

No Report Submitted

District 62 -

No Report Submitted

District 63 -

No Report Submitted

#### District 64 - Arturo B.

District 64 has 17 groups, of which 12 groups are present. They meet in <u>1215 Aldine Bender suite 100</u>, Every two weeks from 6:00 pm onwards, It also has three Committees. Corrections Committee, due to the pandemic, they are not meeting, Committee of the Vine. They meet every two weeks, and they also meet every month, with the other districts, the Area, Literature Committee, they meet every two weeks.

Work began with the events of the Texas State Assembly, in Fort Worth Texas, on the weekend of, May 28-29-30, 2021, also informing our National Convection in Chicago III. In Sep 3-4-5 of 2021, and inform you that this work is being done in the South Texas Assembly, this event will take place, in the City of Houston TX, in the month of Nov. We hope that these events will take place, with the help of our superior being, and attached to the principles of service, and our Area 67, we will move forward, Thank you for your Support and Trust.

District 65 -

No Report Submitted

District 66 -

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**District 70** – Deborah T. No Report Submitted

**District 81** – Veronica M. No Report Submitted

**District 82** – Terry C. No Report Submitted

**District 90** – Art G. No Report Submitted



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2021 Convention Co-Chair	Tony W				
Liaisons to Intergroup					
Brazos Valley Intergroup	Les R	x	x		
Houston Intergroup	Joel G	x	X		
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District 20 DCM	George S	x	x		
District 20 Alt DCM	Sarah L	×	×		
District 31 DCM	Cheryl M	x	×		
District 31 Alt DCM	Karon M		×		
District 32 DCM	Jane G	x	x		
District 32 Alt DCM	Marcia C				
District 33 DCM	Allise B	x	×		
District 33 Alt DCM	Tony A	х	x		
District 40 DCM	Jackie S	х	×		
District 40 Alt DCM	Doug D	х	×		
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