

Serenity Group Conscience Meeting
Monday September 21th, 2020
GSR Report

District Meeting was Sept 20th on Zoom
Serenity: Eddie

1. District Secretary Report - 31 Newsletter – attached minutes from last month.
2. District Treasurers Report /Budget – \$4,800 in the district account for the budgeted items. Due to Covid not much spent to date against the budget. We dispersed \$878 to the GSO and \$30 rent for our meeting space. After prudent reserve of \$1,875, \$2,933 for expenses.
3. DCM Report – Agenda attached.
 - a. Patty continues to ask how District can help the group.
 - b. Ideas for staying better connected, in times like these.
 - c. Next District 31 Meeting October 18th 2-4pm
494 Club 21820 E. Memorial, Porter, TX 77365
May only be Zoom
 - d. District elections are next month. Service Opportunities and Elections at the District Level are October 18th at the District meeting. Qualifications are 2 years of continuous sobriety and have prior service work experience:
 1. Literature Chair
 2. Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)
 - e. Southeast Texas Area (SETA) is getting on the new website inclusive of all the area meetings, committee updates, events etc.
 - f. Working on District Directories, the new SETA website will utilize Google Sheets as the format.
 - g. Asking groups if they would be interested in a “ZOOM” meeting Workshop!!
 - h. Think about donating to the SETA 2021 Convention.
 - i. Stay connected to other groups by logging in to different online meetings!
 - j. District Elections in October at the Assembly 10/2-10/3.
 - k. Area Elections in October!
4. ADCM Report – No report
 - a. District is looking for groups to host **on-line workshops** and ideas for the workshops. A few ideas came up:
 - b. Anonymity, with online
 - c. Sponsorship
 - d. Chairing Meetings

e. I will communicate any other ideas

District Committee Reports:

- Correctional Facilities Committee (CFC) – In lockdown mode currently. No meetings. No AA currently. They are working on gearing up so when things do open AA will be available. **The Blue Can funds are high right now due to volunteers not taking meetings and books into the units. You can still send donations for books, but there is not a need for literature / Blue Can funds right now.**
- 5. Public information (PI) - The outreach consists of racks with pamphlets at libraries and treatment facilities. Request for \$250.00 for pamphlets and racks was approved, not dispersed yet.
- 6. Grapevine has Gift cards available, due to the fact we have not had in person assemblies, workshops, etc. If Serenity has a need for any I will request them <https://store.aagrapevine.org/grapevine-epub-subscription>
- 7. Cooperation With Professional Community (CPC) –The CPC group wants to do more of this with PO's, and other professionals so they have a better understanding of AA. Quarterly meetings on hold, will be zoom when they commence.
- 8. Treatment Facility Committee (TFC) – No report. They are working with the web designers to have “Bridge the gap” incorporated with an online touch point. Workshop this Saturday 9/26 @ 1:00 p.m. via ZOOM ID 821-0422-9203, PW 1935
- 9. Information Technology (IT) – Working on a district directory with Google sheets.
- 10. Archives – No report
- 11. District Literature Chair is open. Looking for a volunteer.
- 12. More discussion of online, in person and Hybrid meeting protocols.

What's Happening in the District:

- GSO has discounted books & Literature 10%.
- National AA Technology Workshop (NAATW.org) – link to information https://naatw.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/v3_NAATW-2019-Printed-Program-no-app-9-19.pdf
- AA World Services (AAWS) – AAWS.org - Literature
- AA moved the GSO April 18-24th 2021 to Brooklyn NY to save \$\$\$.
- Elections for District 31 and Area 67 Trusted Servants. If you are interested let's get you on the ballot and in attendance.

- Area now has a Zelle account for donations. If Serenity would like to participate Ron Shaw our Area Treasurer sent this communication:
As many of you know this current pandemic has motivated our Area to spread our wings in many different virtual/online ways!

There have been multiple requests by Area 67 members and groups to set up an online contribution option. After doing extensive research I have set up a separate checking account that is ready to receive contributions through Zelle. I will have a full report on the details of this at our August Assembly and be able to answer all questions at that time.

Here is all of the information you will need in order to make a successful online contribution:

1. You can click on this link for the Zelle homepage, here you can access step by step instructions on how to use it, it is free through most banks.

<https://www.zellepay.com>

2. The email address you will use every single time to make a contribution will not change:

treasurer@aa-seta.org

3. Group Name

4. Group Service Number

5. District Number

The above information is REQUIRED for me to be able to process your group's contribution. If you do not know your group service number you can contact me or the Area Registrar directly and we will provide that information to you.

If you have any further questions after my reports at the Assembly, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In Service, Ron S. Area Treasurer treasurer@aa-seta.org 281-515-9753

- All Regional and State Conventions have been canceled through 2020.
- Good News Group has an online 29 Anniversary meeting 10/10 @ 6:30PM; Via: GoToMeeting.Com <https://www.gotomeeting.com/meeting/join-meeting>
Enter Meeting ID: 779497909 (flier attached)

SETA Assembly October 3rd & 4th – Area Assembly – Elections – Zoom Only, at this point. Agenda. (attached)

October 9-11, 2020 - **Southwest Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (SWRAASA)** in Amarillo, Texas (Embassy Suites Hotel) – Cancelled

It was announced in a General Service Board update from our Regional Trustee, Jimmy D, **that all in-person Regional Forums have been cancelled through 2021.** Virtual Forums will be offered for the corresponding dates that are affected by this decision.

More details will follow soon, or continue to

visit https://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/regional-and-local-forums for updated information

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59 Annual SETA Convention January 15th-17th 2021 in Spring, Texas



Friday, January 15

7:30 p.m. AA - Cliff G., OKC, OK

10:00 p.m. AA - Matt C., Austin, TX

Saturday, January 16

9:30 a.m. GSO Speaker TBA

11:00 a.m. Al-Anon - Lori G., OKC, OK

1:30 p.m. CFC - Dan K., College Station, TX

3:00 p.m. Spanish Speaker TBA

4:30 p.m. Traditions at Home Workshop

8:00 p.m. AA - Jennifer H-K., Plano, TX

Sunday, January 17

10:30 a.m. AA - Johnny H., Long Beach, CA

**Pre-registration fee is \$15 for AA/Al-Anon
VISIT: setaconvention.org or use the QR Codes.**

The hotel room rate is \$115/night and the cutoff date is December 29, 2020. The phone number for the hotel is 281-350-4000.

Full Name (s) _____ Badge Name (s) _____
Home Group _____ Circle one please: AA Al-Anon Alateen
Address _____ Phone _____
City/State/City _____ E-mail _____

Quantity	Type	Price	Est. Cost
_____	AA / Early Registration	\$ 15.00	\$ _____
_____	Al-Anon / Early Registration	\$ 15.00	\$ _____
_____	Alateen / Child	FREE	\$ _____
_____	Coffee Tag	\$ 5.00	\$ _____
_____	Scholarship Donations		\$ _____
TOTAL DUE			\$ _____

Alateens must have permission slips!
Please indicate special needs in the space below.
Spanish translation will be provided.

REGISTRATION



HOTEL

281-350-4000



WEBSITE



SETA Convention
488 W 10th Street 4816
Houston TX 77002

My name is Veronica M. and I am the 2021 SETA Convention Hospitality Committee Chair. Our committee is asking for Districts or Groups to volunteer and/or to donate cash or snack items to our Hospitality Room for the 2021 SETA Convention.

Our Hospitality Room this year will not have any hot meals as the Hotel will not allow it. With that said, the Hospitality Room will only have drinks and snacks available and will be open for all to stop in, grab a snack a chair to visit between meetings. I have attached as list of "Example" items to be donated. This list is not limited and is open to all other donations. Please feel free to contact me at (409) 996-3099 by phone or text or by email at vmendez517@hotmail.com

Thank you all for your time and or donations in advance.

Yours in Love and Service,

Veronica M. 2021 SETA Convention Hospitality Committee Chair – (409) 996-3099

[Vmendez517@hotmail.com](mailto:vmendez517@hotmail.com)

OTHER BUSINESS – Question was asked brought up; what qualifications do Trusted Group Service Positions need in terms of length of sobriety and term.

Group Chair, Group Co Chair, Treasurer

2 Years of Sobriety and previous group service work. 1 year term

GSR, Alt GSR

1 Year of Sobriety and previous group service work. 1-2 year term

Secretary, Intergroup Rep, Literature Rep, Grapevine Rep, Public Information Rep (PI), Correctional Facilities Committee Rep (CFC), Cooperation with the Professional Community Rep (CPC), Treatment Facilities Committee Rep (TFC),

3-6 Months Sobriety from one group to another, 1 year term

IT Rep, Group Rep, SOL Rep. – Many groups don't have these positions

Some groups combine Lit & Grapevine / CFC, CPC & TFC