



CPAANT GENERAL MEETING MINUTES APRIL 4, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by President, Geri Sorg. The meeting was hosted by the Decatur Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association.

Following the pledge of alliance each attendee introducing themselves with the cities of Fort Worth, Arlington, Mansfield, Euless, Lewisville, DeSoto, Carrollton, Irving, Cedar Hill, Weatherford, Flower Mound, and Haltom City represented at the meeting. This month's total membership in attendance was 34 with twelve agency reps present.

Jane C., President of the DCPAAA introduced Mayor Joe Lambert who gave the blessing and welcomed the CPAANT members. We were also welcomed by Decatur's Chief of Police, Rex Hoskins, who said their second citizen police academy class will be graduating in May. Brett Shannon, City Manager, thanked all for coming on behalf of the city and invited us to Decatur Main Street Gardens for lunch. Jane Handley, Main Street and Visitor Center Manager for Decatur gave a brief history of the visitor center building we were meeting at.

The minutes for the March 2009 meeting were approved as written. A motion was made to accept the March 2009 minutes as written by Mansfield and seconded by DeSoto. The March 2009 treasurer's report was approved with a motion to accept by Carrollton and a second by Flower Mound.

James L. announced the state conference will be held in San Marcus on July 30, 31, and August 1st. Accommodations are available at the Embassy Suite for \$119.00 per night. There will be a welcome BBQ provided by the San Marcus Police Department Association. It was asked what information or work sessions would be available. Previous attendees said some of the work sessions held in the past included "how to start a CPAAA", "prison tattoos", "police dogs", and "501(c)(3)". More information and registration forms are available at the state web site and CPAANT has a link to it.

With the Chief's Round Table coming up in October, Geri needs all reps to send her or Louise R. the proper spelling of their chief's name, address, and/or reps name if the chief is sending one in their place. Invitations will be going out in May.

For new business Wes W. will need to renew our web hosting site agreement. He said there will be an increase in fees with the current hosting service so he will research other sites for pricing. A motion was made by Irving and seconded by Mansfield to approve funds up to \$115.00 to acquire the web hosting services for the coming year.

Alumni discussion included the following announcements:

DeSoto announced their COP class will be starting. Their graffiti removal program has been approved and the city has purchased the equipment. The Dallas Morning News will be publishing an article on the program.

Flower Mound had over 2800 volunteer hours in 2008 with over 800 hours in the first quarter of 2009. They are assisting in a "Trail Marking Project" where GPS points will be put on trail markers so citizens can call in locations if help is needed while on the trails. They are preparing for an annual softball tournament fundraiser in September which brought in \$8000 last year. Two of their volunteers have graduated from training for home security checks. New brochures of the FMCPAAA were handed out.

Fort Worth is working with their new chief. CERT training continues.

Irving has been working on setting up a memorial to officer. A new CPA class graduated a few weeks ago.

Cedar Hill made \$391.11 from their Carnation Sale at three restaurants. Goodies will be delivered to dispatch on the 16th for National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.

Haltom City's chief resigned to go to Columbia, MO. All CPA is on hold.

Arlington had a 10 year service party for their chief who has worked in the public service field for 25 years. The police memorial will be dedicated during Police Week. They had twelve graduates of CERT, Dep. Chief Dale Fisher retired after 32 years, they are starting to work front desk, their 45th CPA class is graduating, and they held their ACPAAA social last week.

Lewisville had 3800 volunteer hours in 2008. Their 7th annual Softball Tournament will be held on June 20th and would like to invite other police departments.

Weatherford is getting ready to start their next CPA class, had the "Ride for the Heroes" bike race, and celebrated 23rd year of volunteering award by the city.

Carrollton's 42nd CPA class will graduate in May. Easter Luncheon is being served to the officers today, and the graffiti program is now up and going.

Mansfield is having their 12th CPA class.

Decatur will be providing lunch to their CPA class when they go to the firing range.

Eules held the Police Award Banquet last night. Their 27th CPA class is graduating. There has been 1400 volunteer hours to date assisting with criminal courts, warrant round-up, paper shredding, plant watering, and NCIC data entry.

Next month's meeting at Cedar Hill will be in the new city government building. Plans are for a tour of the police department. The address will be posted on the CPAANT web site.

With a motion made by Mansfield and second by Fort Worth the meeting was adjourned at 11:42 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Ernst
CPAANT Secretary

- Approved
- Approved as Amended