

**Texas Citizen Police
Academy Alumni Association
Region One Minutes
Host- Dickinson
Saturday, April 12, 2008
10:00 AM**

- Call to order – 10:00 am
- Invocation and Pledge
- Dickinson Police Chief, Ron Morales, introduced
- 2009 Convention reporting. Charles Suderman and Dave Miller reporting.
 - \$55,000, or 446 room nights obligated; if not filled to 85%, then Region One must pay balance. Contract signed in the name of Region One.
 - Convention will start on a Monday with a wrapup on a Wednesday; Schlitterbahn is adjacent as a new attraction since the 2004 convention.
 - Room rate \$125 will be honored until Friday after convention.
 - Need motions to go into minutes to appoint Mary Allen as treasurer. Also to open a checking account at Guaranty Bank in Dickinson in the name of the convention.
 - **Motion made by Joyce Beeson to appoint Mary Allen as Treasurer of the 2009 Convention; seconded from the floor; passed unanimously.**
 - **Motion by Amelia Collins; seconded from the floor; to authorize David Miller and Charles Suderman to open an account with Guaranty Bank in Dickinson in the name of the 2009 Convention; passed unanimously.**
 - Logo; need motion to accept the patch as the convention logo. Question about an outer border; answer dependent on how it used.
 - **Motion from the floor to have the 2009 Convention logo to contain the Region logo, surrounded by lettering; passed unanimously.**
 - A sign up sheet was passed around for members to sign up for various functions at the convention such as registration, room monitors, speakers, A/V equipment, copy machine, TCLEOSE certifications, decorations for meals, ceremonies.
 - Discussion of meals & tickets discussed with prices, meals, banquets.
 - Ben Hernandez spoke on participation by each association and the donations by merchants in their communities. Some discussion followed encouraging convention attendance also.
 - Guest speakers – Four will be needed for the convention. The state will get the speakers (announced by Ben Hernandez).
 - Charles Suderman talked with Charles Elmore of Wichita Falls for Region One's reception at this year's convention to promote our convention. Our plans for activities such as promotional videos from Moody Gardens and Galveston. Some costs will be involved in putting this on. Also need someone to be in charge of this at this year's convention.
 - How about doing vests rather than t-shirts? After taking a poll of the members and getting favorable response, Dave will pursue this.
 - Examples of registration pack were shown. Half-backpack was one. Another was tote-bag with badge holder. Need to address whether or not the bag will hold the binder if we have one. Some options will be made available at the next Region meeting.

- Dave Miller sdmillers@yahoo.com requests that [2009 Convention] be placed in the subject for any emails about the convention to help him quickly separate those messages. Charles Suderman's email is csud2@comcast.net
- Convention committee will meet after the May Region One meeting in Pearland. Will need a contact person identified from each CPAAA for later meetings.
- 2008 Convention
 - Ben reported a bus will be starting from Galveston; \$100+?, leaving early on day prior to convention.
 - Nominations for awards are needed. Deadline is May 30.
- Breck Porter of *The Police News* announced that he would post any meeting announcements or events on their website or in the printed edition (if received early enough). Their website is <http://ThePoliceNews.net>
- Pearland will host the May 10 meeting; no food (coffee only), no speaker
- Minutes were not available for approval; secretary did not attend.
- Treasurer report – Georgie had request from Tom Lane to be reimbursed for PO Box rental.
 - **Motion to reimburse Tom Lane for PO Box Rental was made by Delores Gant, Amelia Collins seconded; approved unanimously.**
- Bylaws amendment that has been carried forward from prior meetings – **Motion by Norma DeWeese, with a second by Charles Suderman. The amendment passed with 13 voting in favor.**
 - 12.1 These Bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed. New Bylaws **or amendments** may be adopted by a two-thirds majority of the Member Associations **present**. At least ~~30~~ **25** days notice, ~~in writing~~ by e-mail with a read receipt or by **electronic means or by** written notice, shall be given to all member associations of an intention to alter, amend or repeal these Bylaws.
- Motion from floor to Adjourn. Passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:35 am

Notes: No reports from Associations because of the length of the meeting. There were no other committee reports, no birthdays item, no program, and minutes from March were not approved.

Alumni Activity Reports:

Sugarland: We have Class Graduation #41 on Friday 25th, tomorrow:

Warrant Call Out on Tues. 29th;

Next Board Meeting, Tues. May 6th

Next General Meeting, Tues. May 13th

The Trading Card Committee is still working on the fundraiser and getting sponsorships for the police officers.

Ralph Twiss is our new treasurer. A Great Big Thanks to Deb Smith for the years she served as treasurer. She will still be very much involved with the COP program and the SLCPAAA.

We will be having elections for a new board member in May because Lynda

Hull will be retiring from that area but very much involved in the COP program and the SLCPAAA.