



## CPAANT GENERAL MEETING MINUTES July 11, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 am by President, Geri Sorg, with the Flower Mound Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association hosting the meeting.

Geri led the members in the pledge of alliance followed by each attendee introducing themselves with the cities of Flower Mound, Lewisville, Arlington, Carrollton, Weatherford, Cedar Hill, Coppell, Irving, Euless, and DeSoto represented at the meeting. This month's total membership in attendance was 26 with ten agency reps present.

Scott Peterson welcomed everyone and introduced the speakers Harlan Jefferson, Town Manager; Katy Taggart, Chamber of Commerce President; Byron Lake, Assistant Chief of Police; Paula Paschal, Town Secretary; and Mayor Jody Smith.. Topics included development in a recession, the business community, finding the need for volunteers, and shopping in Flower Mound, Certificates of appreciation and CPAANT pins were presented to each speaker.

After a short break the June general meeting minutes were approved as written with a motion and second by Flower Mound and Weatherford respectively.

The Treasurer reported on the financial status of CPAANT as of June 30<sup>th</sup> and Arlington made a motion to accept the report with Coppell seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Under New Business Geri discussed the name change proposal for the state CPA and will e-mail reps after contacting the state CPA for more information on the reason for the name change.

The next New Business was to let the members know that the board recommends having a raffle of a 22" HDTV at the convention for a fundraiser. Tickets will be sold for \$2.00 each or six for \$10.00. Motion was made by Carrollton and seconded by Irving to approve the raffle and reimburse Pat for the TV. Each rep was invited to sell tickets to their city alumni members and report the names to Pat, Geri or Susan to put their names in the drawing in San Marcus.

Pat also announced that members can order a CPAANT red polo shirt for \$9.95 each. They will have their name and city embroidered on it and they may sew a patch on it.

It was announced that the Chief's Roundtable would be hosted by Carrollton on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Index card were distributed to the alumni reps to bring back with questions for the chiefs at the September meeting. Invitations have been sent and six chiefs have responded.

Under Old Business the CPA has completed the review of CPAANT'S records and form 8734 will be filed changing tax-exempt status from a foundation to a charity. CPAANT has received the CPA's payment request for \$200.00 for her services.

Next the floor was opened for the reps to discuss their alumni's activities:

**Flower Mound** spent \$600 for "Cool Cops" A/C units to go under the officer's vests plus one for the police dog "Bullet". More information is available about the units at "Coolcops.com".

**Irving** announced that when the current police academy finishes Irving will have a full complement of officers in August. Irving is continuing "Zero Tolerance for Gangs."

**Lewisville** marked the passing of one officer and the retirement of another recently. The Lewisville police won the battle of the badge from the Lewisville fire department with Denton taking the overall honors. The event brought in \$4,000.00, which 40% will go to the LCPAAA.

**Carrollton's** graffiti program has been a success in cleaning up areas in the city. Their garage sale brought in \$600.00.

**Weatherford's** CPAAA purchased four tasers (two with cameras). They made \$1,000.00 for traffic control at Sheriff Posse Rodeo. They fingerprinted at a car dealership and WIC office. Today is

the Peach Festival. They are planning for a golf tournament in October and the Casino Night will be held on February 10<sup>th</sup> next year.

**DeSoto** members assisted in the fireworks display by parking cars for the event. They will be hosting our September meeting.

**Coppell** helped the Explorers raise funds recently. Otherwise it was quiet in Coppell.

**Arlington** announced their 46<sup>th</sup> citizen police academy class. Volunteers have put in 2900 hours saving the city \$45,000. They will assist in scenarios at Six Flags on family violence. The speaker for CPAANT's October meeting in Arlington will be Detective Tommy LaKnor.

**Cedar Hill** is getting ready for Country Days on Hill and Texas Night Out.

**Eules** has volunteered over 2800 hours this year.

A call for general announcements was led by Geri suggesting an article released by the AP on "Even cops are losing their jobs in a recession." Discussion on fundraisers will be conducted at our next meeting. One idea is selling emergency sign kits. Those attending the convention will be DeSoto, Irving, Eules, Weatherford, Arlington, and Carrollton.

After announcing DeSoto will be hosting the next meeting on September 12<sup>th</sup>, a motion was made by Irving and seconded by Arlington to adjourn at 12:15 am. Lunch was scheduled to be at Bari's.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Ernst

CPAANT Secretary

Approved

Approved as Amended