



**Universal City Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association  
Membership Meeting Minutes  
July 20, 2021**

**Board Members Present:**

Gary Reichle, President  
Dan Meyer, Vice-President  
Secretary Lori Crouch

**Members Absent:**

Brenda Hester, Treasurer

**Others Present:**

Chief of Police Johnny Siemens

**Quorum Call (22 members needed for quorum)**

There were 31 members in attendance.

**Call Meeting to Order and Silence Phones**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by the President.

**Guest Speaker U.C. Chief of Police Johnny Siemens**

Chief Siemens mentioned how grateful he was for our help. He was a Blue-Suiter @ RAFB, went to work at USAA as an IT Analyst. He started up a computer company. He was in Civilian Law Enforcement, was an Officer in UC for 5 years, worked in Boerne as an Officer. Chief Siemens stated that Police are here to serve, and they always have to remember The Why. Chief Gabbard will be retiring in December. The department is 7 Officers short. He said that UC PD are on Facebook and on Nextdoor.com. Marcia Smith thanked the Chief for the response her neighbor received.

**Old Business**

Program Updates:

**2021 Blue Santa**

Tom Ingle spoke with Chief Siemens, and they are supporting Blue Santa. Steve Mihalski is the contact. The contact we had with Elf Louise has passed away. Tom would like someone to take over Blue Santa for him.

**2021 Gun Raffle**

Gun Raffle was rained-out the first three weeks. There are under 500 tickets left to sell. Revenue is around \$10,000 and there are six weeks to go. Tom thanked Brenda for selling tickets. Gary Reichle, Carol Smoot have attended, and Dan Hancock is there every week.

**Business Membership**

Chief Siemens thinks we should start reactivating the business memberships. The list is on our website. Some have been members since 2009.

### Citizens Police Academy

To be determined due to COVID still being active.

### National Night Out

National Night Out will not be held this year due to COVID.

The minutes were approved from our last membership meeting. The financial statement was also approved.

### New Business

#### PD spending of UCCPAAA Funds

- \*Priority list of nice-to-have items
- \*Items they will use City funds for but want to try out first
- \*Use City funds for big ticket items first
- \*Stop-gap items they need

Some members are questioning how the funds are spent. There is a list on our website that gives this information. Dan Meyer says he is very satisfied with the explanation on how they spend the funds.

#### Additional Police Funds for FY 2022

UCCPAAA cut what we give to the PD due to COVID. The question was asked whether we would consider providing additional funds. We have more in operating reserve this year; probably \$4000 more from Gun Raffle due to the increase of selling 3000 tickets this year. Tom stated that the gun range is going through some changes, and they have sold property around the range. The LTC class will be few in September due to not needing a license to buy a gun. The members approved an additional \$2,500.00 for the Police Department for FY 2021 by a vote of 29 to 2.

### Frequency of Meetings

The members were asked to think about the frequency of meetings and bring your thoughts to the Board Members before the August Board meeting.

### 2022 Budget

There was very little input from the program coordinators last year. Volunteers are needed for working with the budget.

### 2021 Audit

Members were asked if they wanted to volunteer to help with the 2021 audit. Marleen Cullen and Patricia Candia will handle the audit.

### Annual Dues

The annual dues have been \$20 a year. Should they be more, should they be less? Input or thoughts should be mentioned at next meeting.

### Board Election

New Board Members are needed. The election is in September and there are three vacancies on

the Board. Gary would like to see new members take these roles.

### **UCCPAAA Bulletin**

Gary asked if the Bulletin should still be sent. He asked who wanted to be the editor, and that we need involvement of the members.

Jodi wants to send information electronically on social media to try a marketing campaign to involve former members or new members, also to attract new Business Members.

### **Other New Business**

Bill Fitzgerald asked about the missing flashlights and for members to please check if they have them. He asked if we wanted to participate in the Octoberfest. It would be one day from 4pm to 7pm. The first Saturday will be dedicated to our Heroes. Bill will send me information to send to the members.

Elfi's shirts were donated.

The next Membership Meeting will be August 17, 2021, 6pm, UC Library

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Lori Crouch, Secretary