

21 July 2010 Meeting Minutes  
Universal City Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association  
Universal City Public Works Building, Universal City, Texas

**Call to Order:**

- President Leon Franklin called the Meeting to order at 1833 hours.
- Those present were (22) members, (4) Board Members, Police Liaison Lt. Fernando Parra, UCPD Officer Dave Wallace.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

- The Pledge was led by Lane Hibbard.

**Approval of the June Meeting Minutes- Eva:**

- June Meeting Minutes were sent out per e-mail by Eva Hickman. Motion to approve was made by Judy Henton, seconded by Tom Ingle. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Approval of the Treasurer's Report- Susy:**

- Treasurer's Report was sent out per e-mail by Susy Williams. Motion to approve was made by Gary Stein, seconded by Ken Kraemer. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Old Business:**

**Library Fun Fest, Quilt Raffle & Fingerprinting Update- Leon:**

- This event was held on Saturday, 19 June 2010 from 10 a.m. To 3 p.m.. UCCPAAA Volunteers were present, but the turn out for this event was very poor. Only about 5-7 children showed up for fingerprinting and the Bike Rodeo only had (1) participant.

**Quilt Raffle Update- Tom:**

- So far total tickets sold for the Quilt Raffle is up to \$1176.00. Sales are going great. He thanked Elfi for her current efforts in raising money in the ticket sales.

**Business Membership Update- Lane:**

- Currently there are (27) Business Memberships and they have collected \$2490.00 so far. This is a 42% increase from last years totals. Also for those who expressed a desire to have a list of these Business Members he has (40) copies of that list to hand out to those that want a copy. Information on these Business Memberships can also be found on our website.

**UCCPAAA Website Update- Tom Ingle:**

- The site is constantly being updated. He encouraged members to check out the website.
- Leon also commented that he had been checking out other CPA websites and still thinks our website is the best and thanked Tom Ingle for all his hard work on the website.

**Membership List Update- Leon:**

- Currently member Dianna C. is recovering from having major surgery and has not been able to work on this project. So until she can, he has the most up to date membership list with email information. He had sent this out with this month's meeting agenda. So if anyone did not receive emails to let him know. Also if they need the list those who want a copy should email him about it.

**Introduction of U.C.P.D.'s Newest Patrol Officer by Liaison Lt. Fernando Parra of UCPD:**

- Lt. Parra introduced Officer Dave Wallace as their newest Officer on UCPD.
- Officer Wallace provided the following about himself:  
He is the oldest in age of the Officers. He grew up in California, was a member of the USAF and when he got out in 1975 he remained in San Antonio. In 1981 he worked at the Bexar County Sheriff's Office and did that for about 4 ½ years. After that due to concerns over supporting his family he quit law enforcement and ran his own business for 25 years. He sold his Business and decided to return to Law Enforcement and proceeded to go thru the L.E. Academy at San Antonio College where he graduated in December of 2009. He went to work immediately as an

unpaid Reserve Officer with the Leon Valley Police Department working there for 5 ½ months. He then was hired by the Universal City Police Department. The reason he came to U.C. Was because it was a paid position.

- Members expressed their thanks to him for coming to the meeting so that we could meet him.

#### **Request for Purchase of Goodie Bags for NNO Update: Neil & Felicia**

- Nell & Felicia will give an update at the August Meeting. At this time they are still working on this and have a meeting with Lt. Parra in the morning, that there is more that needs to be worked out before presenting it to the alumni.

#### **Purchase of Exercise Steps Update: Leon**

- Per last meeting the Total Fitness Program- used by UCPD,UCFD and other City Employees is located at the UCFD. There is a need for adjustable steps 6", 8", & 10". The purchase of the (2) sets of steps (\$87.00 a set) comes out to \$175.34. This purchase would come out of the Police Support Line Item Budget if approved. UCCPAAA Logo decals would be placed on them, so that those who use them will know who provided them. Chief Speer's approval on this has been cleared and Leon requested if anyone would make a motion on this.
- Claude A. Kucinskis made the motion which was seconded by Dan Hancock. The motion was unanimously approved to purchase the (2) sets of steps at the cost of \$175.34.

#### **Grant Committee Update- Al Henton:**

- Marc Cloutier is not here tonight so he will be giving the update. Marc Cloutier, Judy Henton, Eden Roper and himself will be working on this project. They will be working with Assistant Chief Bill Gabbard in attempts to get grants for the PD. Items that they hope to be able to get grants for is equipment for the PD: To purchase Life Scan Program for fingerprinting (costs about 25 thousand dollars); Recorder equipment; and replacement of the Radio Equipment. This is a work in progress and they have lined up to get some help from Police One and Police Grant Help. They will give another update at next month's meeting.
- Leon commented that Marc had sent him the proposal on this and that the Board would have to review this and will also provide more information at the next meeting as to how to pay for the consultation fees from these groups.

#### **UCCPAAA Business Cards Update- Dan Hancock:**

- The new UCCPAAA business cards are in. If anyone wishes to get some they are located at the back table along with other pamphlets for the taking.

#### **Window Stickers:**

- UCCPAAA Window Decals are available for purchase at \$ 2.50 each.

**President Leon Franklin indicated that there would be a short break to allow members to purchase T-Shirts, to request reimbursements, make payments to the Treasurer, etc. before proceeding to the New Business.**

**After the break President Franklin had the new CPA class members (John & Tina Nicholson, Eden Roblas and her sister Dianne Roblas-Myers) that were in attendance tonight to stand up and introduce themselves to the Alumni.**

#### **New Business:**

##### **Blue Santa Update- Ken Kraemer:**

- Event is in the planning stage. Volunteers working on so far are Eden Roblas, Dianne Roblas-Myers and himself.
- Leon also asked for others who wish to volunteer to help to contact Ken.

##### **Annual Police Appreciation Picnic Update- Elfi:**

- Currently it is in the planning stage. It will be held at the Olympia Hills Club House & Pool on 21 August 2010 from 4 pm to 8 pm. So far H.E.B. Has donated \$60.00 and Bill Millers BBQ has donated the Sausage & beans. There is a need for volunteers to supply baked goods. She will be passing around a sign-up sheet for those who wish to help. The Club House costs \$ 100.00 to reserve it and if persons wish to swim the Alumni will pay for the \$3.00 a person fee. So far there is already \$350.00 that has be pre-approved for this event. An update will be provided at the next meeting.

### **Courtesy Patrol Update- Dan Hancock:**

- This has been approved by the police department and it will be new and effective way to promote Crime Prevention.
- Some sort of cards could be made thru Pronto Printing at a cost of \$100.00 for a 1000 cards.
- Areas targeted are the parking lots for example at HEB, etc. Volunteers would not do this alone that an UCPD Officer would be present. Cards would be left on the vehicles of cars that have been left open or stuff left in plain sight, etc. More details on how it will be done will be discussed prior to the volunteers participating in this event.
- Volunteers will be needed and he will not be heading up this project but is willing to assist whoever ends up running this project. Claude A. Kucinskis volunteered to help with this project. Update will be given at the next meeting.

### **"Pass The Hat" Donations for Amy Blair- Leon:**

- This is not a Alumni Function, those that wish to contribute can do so on an individual basis. Funds are to help Amy Blair & her family with her Medical Expenses. He will take care of getting these funds raised to Amy and her family.

### **Other Health Reports Update- Leon:**

- Member Pat Franklin was diagnosed as having cancer on her lower eyelid, she has already had the surgery as well as plastic surgery and is doing well.
- Kris's husband is still doing well with his recovery at home following his surgery.
- Diana C. is at home and recovering from her major surgery.
- Lane H. is still doing well after his injections in his back earlier in the year.
- Neil has done a great job with keeping up with all the needed Get Well Cards.

### **Funds left in the Wolf Memorial Fund-Elfi:**

- There is a balance of \$96.00 in the Memorial Fund
- Request to have that remaining funds be transferred to the regular fund was approved unanimously.

### **Quilt Raffle Drawing Date-Tom:**

- The drawing for the Quilt will be during the next meeting on 18 August 2010.

### **Fundraiser Meeting Update- Tom:**

- The meeting was held this past Monday. After discussion it was decided to cancel doing the gift wrap event done at Randolph AFB during December since it did not produce a large enough amount of money for the amount of work it took to get the job done.
- Purpose a different fundraiser to take it's place. Would like to consider another raffle. Converse's CPA does one each year (has done so for about 5-6 years now) and they raffle off a firearm. Converse's CPA has never had a problem with their raffle and have never had any tickets left over. 500 tickets sold at \$5.00 each. The time frame for selling the tickets would be short. If approved more details would be provided at a later date. Discussion and vote to approve the handgun raffle was done.
- Fundraisers so far are thru: Quilt Raffle, Business Memberships, Rummage Sale, and formerly thru the Gift Wrap Event and now the handgun raffle.
- Motion to approve given by Jim, seconded by Jerry. Motion was unanimously approved.

### **Other New Business:**

#### **Insurance Issues- Tom:**

- Question concerning Insurance issues. Other Cities in the area indicate that their Citizen Police Academy members are covered at their functions, but per Kim Turner (Universal City) Insurance does not cover ours.
- Lt. Parra indicated Lawsuits are the reason for this, and that the Alumni should have it's own insurance in the event the City does not cover it. Basically say someone gets hurt at one of the events they would then go after the City and possibly after the UCCPAAA for damages.
- Leon will check into this further and will give an update later.

**Police Department Update- Lt. Fernando Parra:**

- He took the time to express his thanks to those in the Alumni for the support they gave him following the death of his mother 3 months ago.
- Burglaries are down
- Gave a brief update on Indecency with a Child case in which the UCPD is working with the U.S. Marshal's Office.
- Currently Universal City is down from having (19) registered Sex Offenders to (7).
- Vandalism of homes and vehicles in Meadow Oaks. Request that if something suspicious is seen to call it in. Karen Blessings walked around after this to see if she could get people involved in Neighborhood Watch Program.
- To use caution when placing items on Craig's List since there has been a connection between there use and crimes.

**Next Monthly Meeting-Leon:**

- August Meeting will be held on 18 August 2010 at the UC Public Works Building.

**Meeting Adjourn:**

- Motion to adjourn was made by Jerry Skrocki
- Seconded by Tom Ingle
- The Motion was unanimously approved at 1955 hours.

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Eva L. Hickman, Secretary