

# 21 March 2018 Meeting Minutes Universal City Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association Universal City Public Works Building

#### **Board members**

Present: President Harry Finke, Vice President Dan Meyer, Treasurer Brenda Hester and Secretary Laurie Hancock

## **Quorum Call (19 members needed)**

There were two 2018 CPA class associate members, 28 UCCPAAA members and Det. Dan Carmona in attendance.

## **Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM by President Harry Finke.

# Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

These were led by President Harry Finke in memory of the policemen that have given their lives while serving and protecting citizens.

#### Review and approve / disapprove the February Meetings Minutes

The February Meeting Minutes were sent out via e-mail by Laurie Hancock. At the meeting, there were no questions. A motion to approve these minutes was made and seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

### Review and approve / disapprove the February Financial Statement

The February Financial Statement were sent out via e-mail by Brenda Hester. At the meeting, there were no questions. A motion to approve the financial statement was made and seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

# **Speaker - Warrants**

Dan Hancock gave us some information on the UCPD warrant program. He has been helping Officer Bellamy with this for eleven years. Basically, the people in his program are helping the UCPD with warrant administration duties. This frees up Officer Bellamy to work on other police matters. There are two different types of warrants that the warrant team work with. Capias warrants are issued to citation holders who come to court to pay, but do not follow the orders of the judge. FTA warrants are issued if the citation holder Fails To Appear at his court date. These two types of warrants have to be stuffed into envelopes and then filed at the PD. Courtesy calls are made to remind citation holders of their warrant. Postcards are also sent out for the same reason. This is done every two weeks. He is looking for members to assist him and his team.

#### **Old Business**

# **Membership Dues**

Dues (\$20 for each member) are due No Later Than the next meeting, which is April 18.

## **Gun Raffle: Tom Ingle**

Tom brought the guns to the meeting for members to inspect. Anyone can buy raffle tickets at any time, without having to go to the gun range. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Tom needs volunteers to help sell raffle tickets at the range. Selling raffle tickets, at the Lonestar Gun Range in Converse, usually goes until early afternoon on all Saturdays. Volunteers are needed from March 31 to July 1. For more information, see <a href="https://www.uccpaaa.org">www.uccpaaa.org</a>.

## **2018 Citizens Police Academy Class**

The CPA class started last week. Fourteen members were at the class. Class members can attend UCCPAAA meetings. They are on the third Wednesday of the month. Elfi asked if all class dates had a person to bring snacks.

#### **Other Old Business**

Members were reminded that they will be reimbursed up to \$50.00 (with receipt) when providing snacks for the CPA classes.

UCCPAAA members were also reminded to support our Business Members. They are listed on the *Business Members* tag on <a href="https://www.uccpaaa.org">www.uccpaaa.org</a>.

#### **New Business**

# **Citizen Crime Fighter Awards**

Harry announced that this award used to be bestowed on a citizen of the community. The Chief has no problem with restarting the program, but it has to be a genuine nominee. The Chief or Assistant Chief will nominate a citizen if the actions taken were exceptional. If the recipient agrees, the Alumni will honor the nominee at a City Council meeting.

# **Support for UCPD**

The board asked for ideas showing support for our officers.

Some ideas were:

Coffee with Cops

Baseball games

Send any additional ideas to a board member.

#### National Police Week - May 13-19

The following activities were suggested to promote Police Week:

Thank the cops on Facebook

Find out what other organizations do for this week

Put blue ribbons on trees

Assemble thank-you bags of candy

Have Breakfast with Cops

Put out an ad for "Blue Out" – Using blue lightbulbs in outside lighting, wearing blue, etc.

Hang a banner again. Paul volunteered to take care of details.

Provide gift cards to the PD for a dinner out with their family

Advertise the week on the new city sign

Again, send any additional ideas to a board member.

## **UCCPAAA Items for Sale**

Mary Flack listed some items that members could purchase. She has green and white UCCPAAA baseball caps, magnets, window decals and business cards. She can order "official" shirts that can be embroidered. Dark green polo shirts bought from a store that you like can also be embroidered. Mary suggested that lanyards to hold our nametags could be purchased. She is working on price lists for member purchase of these items.

#### **Other New Business**

Tom mentioned that he needs help with the Business Member solicitation letters. He sends them out in early April. The letters need to be stuffed and stamped.

Jerry urged members to wear their green shirts while out shopping, etc. it would show support for the police and allow members to answer questions about UCCPAAA also.

# <u>Police Report – Detective Dan Carmona</u>

Dan told us that Tina Vitacco has been promoted to Lieutenant. He has put in his application for the position of

Detective Sergeant. He also told us that four officer positions are open. The department is starting their procedures to fill them.

Det. Carmona also gave us information on the following incidents:

A domestic dispute issue

Aggravated robbery that almost became a murder charge

Thefts at Walmart

A class misdemeanor turned into a felony because the suspect ran from the cops

Suspicious package reports

There was a question and answer period. The members thanked Dan.

# **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on April 18, 2018 at the Public Works building.

All new class members are most welcome to attend. A motion was made to adjourn. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

# <u>Adjournment</u>

At 7:37 PM, a motion to adjourn was made. It was seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Laurie Hancock, Secretary