

General Membership Meeting
September 11, 2013

1. Roll Call of Officers

President	Tommie Haffelder - P
Past President	Robert Wisian - A
Vice President	Liz Merrill - P
Secretary/Treasurer	Randy Malone - P
Sgt. at Arms	Ernie Hinkle - P
Board 1	Bill Whitaker - A
Board 2	Norman Toungate - P
Board 3	Dennis Smith - P
Board 4	Henry Tomlin - A

2. Reading of the minutes

Motion made by Suster Merrill to accept the minutes of the July 10 meeting as written, Second by Brother Morrison.

Discussion – None

Approved by voice vote.

3. Membership report: (Resignations and new members)

Of the current 586 retired Austin Officers who meet the qualifications for membership we have 385 active members, 55 of which are Lifetime Members. In addition we have 16 Honorary Members and 6 Associate Members.

We have 171 Members who as of 9-10-13 had paid their 2014 dues.

James Vaughn – Associate Member

Motion made by Brother Malone to accept James Vaughn, Retired Hospital Police Officer, as an Associate Member. Second by Brother Ernie Hinkle.

Discussion – None

Approved by voice vote.

4. Reports of Committees-

Benevolent Committee – Jeff Rodman –

Jerry Spain is undergoing therapy

Bruce Boardman's mother, Tency Ann Boardman, passed away on 7-13-13

Rick Cockman & Cindi Cockman Anderson's mother passed away

Kermit Schernik had right knee replaced on March 5th, got late notice on this, recovering well

Charles Peters' wife, Tomi Elaine Peters, passed away on 7-18-13

Greg Stowers brain tumor came back (notice on 7-25-13)

Detective Ralph Johnson's brother, SPO Angela Johnson's brother-in-law, Tyrone Wiley Johnson, passed away 8-1-13

James Johnson had a stroke mid July, recovering well

Liz Merrill had neck surgery, recovering well

Elva Lee Conner fell and had to have hip surgery (notice on 8-4-13)

Patti Robinson's father, E. L. "Bubbe" Robinson, passed away on 8-5-13

Corporal John Wills' father, Johnny Wills, father, passed away on 8-7-13

Bert Gerding's widow, Mildred Gerding, passed away on 8-8-13

Chief Acevedo's mother passed away

Bessie Hinkle, MAMA'S KITCHEN, passed away 8-8-13

Jimmy Spears passed away on 8-14-13

Detective Troy Brown's father, Oliver Allen Brown, passed away on 8-16-13

Frank Miller had surgery

Irene Ablanedo had surgery on her foot (Notice on 8-24-13)

SPO John Buell's mother, Lee Ann Mae Buell, passed away on 8-26-13

Robert Wisian had knee replacement surgery 9-10-13

Entertainment Committee – Randy Malone –

We are booked for Sunday, November 17, 2013 at the Creedmoor Community Center, 12511 FM 1625, Creedmoor, Texas, for our next Social. This is an APROA event so there will be no charge for members and one of their guest. Additional guest will be \$10.00 each. We will be serving a 3-meat bar-b-que plate, Brisket, sausage and chicken. This will be a **BYOB** at the Creedmoor Community Center as they do not serve beer or sodas. They will be serving tea and water. We will start to gather around noon, food served about 1pm, a bit sooner if the crowd and cook get ready.

Legislative/Retirement Committee – Pete Morin – Not present

APA Liaison Committee – Robert Gross – Brother Gross reported that the APA was in need of volunteers for a number of projects they are working on. Brother Malone was given the contact person, Bill Warren, and reported he would get the information and send it out to the members.

Brother Gross reported that Medi-Fast did a presentation for the APA and was offering retirees a 15% discount on their products.

Recruitment Committee – Ruth Bullock – Sister Bullock reported that she was working on the non members to get them into the APROA, starting with her class.

Treasurer Report - Randy Malone Copies attached to minutes.

Proposed 2014 Budget 1 & 2 – Attached

Motion made by Brother O'Leary to have one Social per year, second by Sister Merrill. After short discussion,
Approved by voice vote.

Budget to be approved at November meeting which is now also our next Social Event.

Motion made by Brother Rodman to allow the Board to conduct all needed business for the Association at the November Board Meeting. Second by Brother Ernie Hinkle.

Discussion –None

Approved by voice vote.

Motion made by Brother Rodman to accept the Committee Reports, Second by Sister Merrill.

Discussion –None

Approved by voice vote.

5. Communications and Bills –

Thank you card from Wounded Warrior Project for Naomi Merrill donation.

Thank you card from the Jimmy Spears family

6. Unfinished Business – Winnie Project – Brother O’Leary reported that he had just complete the application process for the Winnie Project for the Austin American Statesman “Caring Family”. AS of 9-11-13 our donations were at \$13,119.00.

7. New Business –

Rep. Eddie Rodriguez – Representative Rodriguez spoke to the membership about legislation he sponsored and fought for the last session of ther legislature. He also indicated that the fight to protect our retirement system was an ongoing fight and he felt we would be fighting legislation which was trying to put an end to our system for many years to come

Sheree Bailey City Benefits - diabetes program – Ms Bailey spoke to the members about a new program offered by the City of Austin is regards to diabetes. The program starts with an 8 hour class followed by regular visits to a Randall Pharmacist. The benefits, your diabetes medications and supplies can be free. More information to be sent out to members soon.

Elections

Open nominations for:

President	Tommie Haffelder,
Vice President	Liz Merrill,
Secretary/Treasurer	Randy Malone
Sgt. at Arms	Dennis Smith
Board 1	Carl Pardinek
Board 2	Norman Toungate
Board 3	George Vanderhule
Board 4	Andy Waters

Motion made by Brother Malone to elect all nominees who are unopposed by acclamation, second by Sister Merrill.

No discussion.

Approved by voice vote

Brother Cary welcomed back Carl Zimmerman who has just returned from an extended vacation

Door Prize - Brian Hearon

8. Adjournment

Motion made by Brother Toungate to adjourn, Second by Brother Dennis Smith.

No discussion.

Meeting Adjourned

Randy Malone – Secretary/Treasurer