

November 12, 2008 General Membership Meeting

1. Roll Call of Officers

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| President | Tommie Haffelder - P |
| Past President | Robert Wisian - P |
| Vice President | Henry Tomlin - P |
| Secretary | Jim Andrist - A |
| Treasurer | Randy Malone - P |
| Sgt. at Arms | Ernie Hinkle - P |
| Board | Bill Whitaker - P |
| Board | Norman Tounge - P |
| Board | J. W. Thompson - A |
| Board | James Paap - A |

2. Reading of the minutes

Motion made by Brother Tomlin to accept the minutes of the September 2008 meeting as written, Second by Brother Tounge.

Discussion – None

Approved by voice vote.

3. Membership report: (Resignations and new members)

Of the current 419 retired Austin Officers who meet the qualifications for membership 157 members have paid their 2009 dues. We have 16 Honorary Members.

Discussion – None

Approved by voice vote

4. Reports of Committees-

Benevolent Committee – Ben Vega –

Bill Ligon – Triple by-pass surgery
Ken Mathers - Had his fourth hip replacement
Bill Whitaker's mom had a heart attack
Carl Zimmerman's wife, Nancy, had a stroke, recovering well
Elmer Joseph, former APD officer – Brain Cancer
Jim Andrist – Recovering from surgery, at St Davids Hosp. Room 442
Gary Richards – mini-seizures, due to the brain surgery he had
Lizzie Merrill – Surgery
Dwight L. "Jack" Moody passed away on Monday, October 27
Jeff Rodman – Neck Surgery
Ernie Hinkle - pneumonia and partially collapsed lung
Betty Collins – Was back in hospital for 9 days
Norris McCord – Recovering from eye surgery

Entertainment Committee – Randy Malone – Our next event has been planned for Saturday May 2, 2009. Once again we booked the Manchaca Fire Hall for this event. We have had request to rotate our events from North to South Austin but we can not find any location north that will give us the deal we now have for the use of the facilities at the Manchaca Fire Hall, which also has adequate parking available. If you know of a location north that we might be able to book please let one of the Board members know where it is so we can consider it for future events.

Time for Gathering – The membership discussed the time for the meeting and decided to keep the 12 noon time for the May 2, 2009 gathering. (49 – no shows, we need to work on this)

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| \$2,061.65- | Cost of October event |
| \$ 300.00 | - raffle items |
| <u>\$ 300.00</u> | - door prizes |
| \$2,661.65 | - Total |
| <u>- \$ 753.00</u> | - raffle tickets sold |
| \$1,908.65 | - Total cost |

Legislative Committee - _____ -

Pete Morin on the Pop Up Option Study - We were looking at a study before the markets went south.....but not now. Once a choice is made it cannot be changed. IF a bill was passed it would not apply to those who have already retired, it would only apply to those retiring after the bill was put into law.....Pete

Brother Morin stated that legislation in regards to disability retirement will be filed this session but did not expect any opposition.

Brother Morin reported that the City appears to be ready to pay the cost of consolidating the City of Austin Police Departments. The consolidation will affect 500+ employees.

Brother Morin also reported that in year 3 of the current contract the City will add 1% to the system and possibly another 1% in year 4.

Brother Haffelder appointed Brother Morin to Chair the Legislative Committee.

Motion made by Brother Hinkle to accept the Committee Reports, Second by Brother Whitaker.

Discussion –None

Approved by voice vote.

5. Treasurer Report - Copies attached to minutes/Proposed 2009 budget

Motion made by Brother Toungate to accept the Proposed 2009 Budget, Second by Brother Wisian.

Discussion – Brother Williams had a question about the cost for the Web Site, \$350.00, which was listed in the proposed budget. Brother Malone indicated this was the same amount as in the 2008 budget and we did not use any of the funds but we set aside funds each year in case we do have web site cost.

Approved by voice vote

Motion made by Brother Keirseay to accept changes to our Constitution, Second by Brother Tomlin.
Discussion - None
Approved by voice vote

8. New Business

2008 Donations to Charities – We have request from four organizations:

Blue Santa - (\$100.00 last year)
Meals on Wheels - (\$100.00 last year)
Hospice
Special Olympics

Volunteering for Blue Santa – 512- 220-2583 or www.bluesanta.org

Motion made by Brother Kenny Williams to donate:

Blue Santa - \$250.00
Meals on Wheels - \$100.00
Hospice Austin - \$200.00
Special Olympics - \$100.00,

second by Brother Bryant.

Discussion - None

Approved by voice vote

Ceil Hart reported that the Capital Area Law Enforcement Association is have their meeting on November 18, 2008 at the Manchaca Fire Hall. They will start to gather for the Social Hour at 5:30pm followed by a catfish dinner at 6:30pm. Cost will be \$11.00 for their members and \$13.00 for non-members.

The membership for the Capital Area Law Enforcement Association consist of individuals who are employed by, or retired from, a criminal justice agency, and persons of good standing in the community who actively support law enforcement." A number of our members also members of the Capital Area Law Enforcement Association along with many from other agencies in and around the Austin area.

Door Prize drawing – Was won by Keith Burt

9. Adjournment

Motion made by Brother Whitaker to adjourn, Second by Brother Toungate.

No discussion.

Approved by voice vote

Jim Andrist – Secretary (by Randy Malone)