

September 9, 2009 General Membership Meeting

1. Roll Call of Officers

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

\*\*\*\*\*Taken out of order – Dr Cook – Hearing Loss

2. Reading of the minutes

Motion made by Brother Tomlin to accept the minutes of the July 8, 2009 meeting as written, Second by Brother Rodman.

Discussion – None

Approved by voice vote.

3. Membership report: (Resignations and new members)

Of the current 446 retired Austin Officers who meet the qualifications for membership 294 members have joined the APROA. In addition we have 18 Honorary Members and 3 Associate Members.

Brother Haffelder present an application for Associate Membership for Jim Schmittendorf, a former Austin Police Officer.

Motion made by Brother Rodman to accept Jim Schmittendorf as an Associate Member, Second by Brother Toungate.

Discussion – None

Approved by voice vote.

4. Reports of Committees-

**Benevolent Committee** – Jeff Rodman –

Jack Leo passed away 7-16-09

Dave Koschel – Chemo treatments

Betty Wisian, Robert's wife – hospitalized

Jerald Brinkkoeter – Surgery to foot

Larry Crenshaw – Lap Band surgery

Roger Behr passed away

Carol Brinkkoeter – Alzheimers

Frank Miller – daughter is still recovering, she is back to work

Mac Thurman passed away

Sharen Soliz's father-in-law passed away

**Entertainment Committee** – Randy Malone – Once again we have planned a Fish Fry for our members at the Manchaca Fire Hall, Sunday Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>. We will start meeting at 1pm, with food being served at 2pm. The meal will be free for APROA members and one guest. Additional guest are \$11.00 each.

Please RSVP by September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
(RSVP to Randy Malone, malone@bga.com or 512-658-0692)

We will be doing name tags so if you send an e-mail or leave a voice mail, please include the names of any quest you may have.

**Legislative Committee** – Pete Morin – Nothing to report

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

Discussion –None

Approved by voice vote.

5. Treasurer Report - Copies attached to minutes  
Proposed 2010 budget

Motion made by Brother Tomlin to accept the Treasurer's report, Second by Brother Williams.

Discussion - None

Approved by voice vote

6. Communications and Bills –

Thank you letter from the Texas Seaport Museum for our donation in the name of Jack Leo.

7. Unfinished Business –

Lifetime dues – Steve Nichols – Brother Toungate presented dues schedules from three different organizations which offer lifetime dues. The Board worked out a dues schedule for the APROA and presented it to the membership. This will be sent out to all members as it will require a change to our Constitution.

8. New Business

Dr Cook – Hearing Loss – Lori Cook from the Cook Hearing & Balance office spoke to the membership about hearing loss and the advances in hearing aides. She advised the membership that they were offering free hearing test for our members. With the results of the test you may be able to file a Work Comp claim for your hearing loss. The Cook Hearing & Balance office does not help with the Work Comp claim other than to present the test results which could help with the claim.

Pete Morin – Retirement System – Brother Morin reported the Retirement System had a 26.3% loss due to the economy and there would be no COLA this year. Brother Morin also presented information for Brother Thomas on TEXPERS, an organization which represents other organizations at the Legislature. You can read more about TEXPERS at [www.texpers.org](http://www.texpers.org).

Brother Rodman advised the membership that the Central Texas Wolf Pack Football Team was having its first fall practice Saturday September 26 at 9am at the YMCA, 51<sup>st</sup> and 183. For more information go to <http://www.centraltexaswolfpack.com>

Nominations for office:

A. Nominations for all positions set to expire at the next November meeting shall be nominated for their positions at the regularly scheduled September meeting. Nominees who cannot be present at the September meeting to accept the nomination must, prior to the September meeting, submit a letter stating their desire to accept the nomination to the Secretary.

Open nominations for:

President	Tommie Haffelder
Past President	Robert Wisian
Vice President	Henry Tomlin
Secretary	Liz Merrill
Treasurer	Randy Malone
Sgt. at Arms	Ernie Hinkle
Board	Bill Whitaker
Board	Norman Toungate
Board	Dennis Smith
Board	James Paap

Motion made by Brother Rodman to elect all nominees who are unopposed by acclamation, second by Brother Bolter.

No discussion.

Approved by voice vote

Door Prize drawing – HR Buck

9. Adjournment

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

No discussion.

Meeting Adjourned

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Liz Merrill – Secretary