

North Texas Crime Prevention Association

General Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2010

Meeting called to order at 5:16 PM by President Steven Caldwell.

Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer not carried out due to no flag being present.

Speaker: None

Topic: N/A

Meeting Site: Crown Plaza Hotel, San Antonio, Texas

Lunch Provided by: N/A

President Caldwell opened with recognition of new members.

Reports:

- 1st VP – Training Scott Voight: August meeting to be held in Denton at UNT. The speaker lined up has cancelled. Scott is trying to schedule a new one. September meeting is currently scheduled to be at Southlake and hoping for October to be at Ellis County.
- 2nd VP – Membership Katheryn Fredericks: 145 current members.
- 3rd VP – Communications Mark Brazelton: Mark advised that his agency (Gainesville PD) has recently changed internet providers which has caused various problems regarding IP addresses, etc. Therefore, many member emails are being rejected or sent back when forwarding information. He is also working on an all member email system allowing for direct communication from any member to the rest of the NTCPA.
- Treasurer Chris McCaslin: A copy of the current report is posted on the NTCPA website. Motion to accept: Scott Voight. Seconded by: Louise Runnels. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.
- Civilian at Large James Long: Continuing to recruit civilian members as well as obtain feedback in order to meet their needs.
- Secretary Travis Johnston: Minutes from the June meeting were posted on the NTCPA website. Motion to table the reading of the minutes until the August meeting: Butch Lindsey. Seconded by: James Long. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.
- Sgt. at Arms Jeff Moore: Nothing to report.

Old Business:

There has been some discussion regarding the reading of the Treasurer's Report and the Meeting Minutes. Caldwell explained that the by-laws do not require either report to be read at each meeting. However, a copy of each report will be provided at all future meetings for members to hold discussion on as well as approve.

Louise Runnells expressed concern over the importance of keeping accurate records regarding attendance. There are usually three separate sheets/forms to be filled out by members.

By-Law Committee:

Proposed by-law changes and amendments to the NTCPA were emailed out to the Secretary and general membership to be reviewed. In accordance with current by-laws, this was accomplished 60 days prior to be considered for adoption. Several members stated they did not receive the email containing the changes. Mark Brazelton advised he would send them out again. The vote over the proposed changes is to occur at the August meeting.

Audit Committee:

Chris McCaslin reported they are finished with the audit and he will furnish the signed cover sheet to the Secretary by the August meeting.

TCPA:

Steve Garst covered the proposed changes to the TCPA By-Laws being presented at the yearly membership meeting luncheon. During that discussion, visitor Don Williams began expressing his resentment over how the current (as well as past) TCPA board members conduct business and how the organization has evolved. President Caldwell intervened advising this meeting is an NTCPA meeting and that those concerns should be communicated at the appropriate venue. Caldwell stated to NTCPA members that by this time, each member was made aware of the proposed changes and that each person should vote their conscience for the best interest of the organization as a whole.

New Business:

TCPA:

Steve Garst announced that current state membership board member, Mark Brazelton, was not intending to seek another appointment to his current position. Therefore, please consider nominating someone to take his place.

Facebook:

Caldwell advised that he has asked Donna Valentino to be moderator of a NTCPA webpage. There is still some befuddlement on how exactly the organization should move forward with this idea. Therefore, there will be more discussion at the August meeting as well as a possible vote.

Number of members present: 22

Motion to Adjourn @ 6:09PM: Jeff Moore
Seconded by: Chris McCaslin
All in favor. No opposed. Motion carried.

Travis Johnston
Recording Secretary