

## **HCCSAAA Monthly Meeting July 20, 2022 Minutes**

**Attendees:** Rick Brennes, Mary Capps, Thea Dake, Jack Diamond, Ruth Diamond, Mary Earls, Bert Estrada, Cathy Gieselman, Dawn Manger, Karen Marshall, Steve Meyer, Mike Sickmiller, Jack Tatum, Mary Jane Tatum, Matt Wells, Don William, Bruce Harlan, and guest, Tiffany Isaacson.

**Call to Order** - at 6:30 pm by Cathy Gieselman.

**Introduction of Guest Speaker** – Bruce Harlan introduced Sargent Dara Bowlin, Texas Office of the Attorney General, Criminal Investigations Division, Human Trafficking/Transnational Organized Crime.

**Approve Minutes** - Cathy Gieselman asked for a motion to approve the June minutes as presented; motion to approve by Steve Meyer. **Motion carried.**

**Treasurer's Report (June)** - As of June 30, 2022, our account balance was \$13,900.12 plus \$240.00 in petty cash for a grand total of \$14,140.12. During the month of June, \$448.61 was spent on hot dogs for the Dripping Springs Community Outing, \$291.89 was spent on food for the Academy Alumni Graduation as well as meeting refreshments, and \$8,479.72 was spent on Sunshine Kids (SSK) for bingo, food, and gifts for nurses and SSK staff. Funds received for dues and shirt sales yielded \$508.31 and we received \$600 in sponsor donations for SSK.

**Membership Report** - Ruth Diamond stated there was no change in membership; currently, we have 43 paid members and one honorary member.

**National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day (January 9, 2023) - Student Participation** - Cathy Gieselman shared that Teri Holtzclaw volunteered to coordinate this effort and meet with area schools to discuss having the students write letters and/or share drawings to show appreciation for our LEOs. Anyone interested in helping with this project, please get in touch with Teri.

**Update on HCSO History Book** - Cathy Gieselman shared that this project has been delayed due to unforeseen circumstances but will resume within the next couple of weeks.

**Update on Member Showcase** – Cathy Gieselman shared that as of this evening, three members have submitted member showcases. Teri Holtzclaw, being the first to submit her information, won the prize for first submittal. Please continue to submit your information to Cathy as this is a wonderful way for members to get to know one another better.

**Change in Meeting Night/HCSO Liaison** - Cathy Gieselman notified members that beginning in August, we are moving our monthly meetings back to the third Tuesday evening of each month. This past January, we polled members to approve moving the monthly meeting date to the third Wednesday to help accommodate Bruce Harlan, our HCSO Liaison's schedule. Due to some HCSO staffing needs, Bruce Harlan will be handling the upcoming Advanced Academy; therefore, at this time, Deputy Anthony Hipolito will be our liaison for the Alumni. Our August meeting will be on TUESDAY, August 16th at 6:30 pm and will be a dinner/social meeting to kick off our fall fundraising event. More information on this to come; for planning purposes, it is important for members to RSVP. Cathy noted to please review the calendar information on the back of the agenda which is included each month.

**Advanced Academy Class** - Bruce Harlan stated that the Advanced Academy is scheduled to begin on Wednesday, August 17th. The class will be a 6-7 week program each Wednesday evening; possibly through September depending on schedule. Bruce has confirmed a few of the classes as of this time with the first night (8/17) being time at the range, the second night (8/24) at the driving track, the third night (8/31) a building search; these are subject to change. Two other topics being considered but not yet firm are polygraph and the body farm at Texas State. Bruce will contact Cathy once details have been firmed up and once the registration opens which should be out by the end of July. Class is limited to 20 students.

**Marketing & Fundraising Report** - Jack Diamond provided a brief update that the committee is still working on the fall fundraiser. The Committee submitted a proposal to the Board to request \$2,500 to be used to purchase tickets and a couple of the larger prizes for the fundraiser. The Board approved the proposed amount and members will vote under new business should the amount be agreed upon by those present. Jack shared the first three prizes:

1st prize - \$1,000 Southwest Airlines Vacation Package

2nd prize - \$500 Visa Gift Card

3rd prize - \$500 Kalahari All Day Waterpark Pass for 4

The remaining prize packages are still being finalized and will be announced at the August dinner meeting.

**New Business** - Mary Jane Tatum made a motion to approve the proposed amount, up to \$2,500, to fund the fall fundraiser, with a second from Mike Sickmiller. **Motion Carried.**

**Adjourn** – Ruth Diamond made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 pm with a second from Mary Jane Tatum.

**Next Meeting will be held on TUESDAY, August 16th at 6:30 pm at the PSB. This will be a dinner/social meeting to LAUNCH the fall fundraiser.**