

HCCSAAA Monthly Meeting August 16, 2022, Minutes

Attendees: Rick Brennes, Mary Capps, Nico Costilla, Jack Diamond, Ruth Diamond, Mary Earls, Bert Estrada, Thaddeus Foster, Cathy Gieselman, Ron Kondoff, Goldie Kruger, Dawn Manger, Karen Marshall, Steve Meyer, Hans Reiche, Dick Snitkin, Janice Snitkin, Diana Welsch, Don William, Mike Wilmore, Diana Wilson, Mark Andrews, and Dennis Gutierrez.

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

Approve Minutes - Cathy Gieselman asked for a motion to approve the July minutes as presented; Bert Estrada made a motion to accept, with a second from Mary Capps. **Motion carried.**

Treasurer's Report (July) - As of July 31, 2022, our total bank and petty cash balance was \$13,9778.32. That breaks down to \$13,738.32 plus \$240 in petty cash. During the month of July, \$211.00 was donated to The American Cancer Fund in memory of Carol Cutler \$291.89 was spent on food for the Academy Alumni Graduation as well as meeting refreshments, and \$49.00 was brought in on the sale of Alumni shirts.

Membership Report - Ruth Diamond stated there was no change in membership; currently, we have 45 paid members and one honorary member.

New Business

#1) Voted on Funding for (1) Storage unit from September to December 2022.

HCSO Community Service presently has two off-site storage units that they rent yearly for storage of materials. The prices increased for the climate-controlled units and one of the units contains HCCSAAA and SSK items (for fundraisers, etc.) The monthly charge for the one unit is \$269; therefore, to pay out the remainder of 2022, the HCCSAAA was asked to consider paying for the amount remaining for the year, \$1,076 (Sept. - Dec.) which is due September 1st.

Ruth Diamond made a motion to fund the \$1,076 for the rest of this year, September through December 2022, with a second from Bert Estrada. The membership present all voted in favor of paying the \$1,076.00 for the remainder of one storage unit for 2022. **Motion Carried.**

The HCCSAAA will revisit the payment of the storage unit at the end of 2022 and decide at that time whether to continue for 2023.

#2) Voted on Funding for Purchase of Honor Chair

The HCSO will be celebrating its' 175th year in August 2023. One request that came through was for the purchase of an Honor Chair to honor the fallen with a plaque listing those in HCSO who have lost their lives with room for additional names. The Honor Chair is something widely respected in the LEO community. The HCCSAAA has been asked to join in with two other organizations and invest 'up to \$1,000' to go toward this purchase. The total cost will be split between the FOP (Fraternal Order of Police) who have committed \$1,000; and CLEAT (Combined Law Enforcement Association) who have committed \$1,000. Our cost will be whatever the balance is, not to exceed \$1,000, after FOP and CLEAT's contributions. Jack Diamond made a motion to fund the Honor Chair up to \$1,000 with a second from Mary Earls. The membership present all voted in favor of this funding. **Motion Carried.**

Introduction of Surprise Guest - Jack Diamond introduced Sheriff Gary Cutler. Sheriff Cutler shared a brief expression of his sincere gratitude to the HCCSAAA and reiterated how grateful the HCSO is to have such dedicated volunteers.

Broke for Dinner/social time

Update HCSO Liaison - Lt. Dennis Gutierrez discussed upcoming goals for the 175th Anniversary Celebration. He further explained changes within the HCSO and announced that he will be serving as

our Liaison moving forward.

Lackland Canine Visit - Jack Diamond verified the members wishing to attend a canine training session at Lackland so a date and time can be scheduled.

Fall Fundraiser Launch - Jack Diamond introduced the Lucky 7 Raffle. He provided a folder to each member present with all the information inside as well as 20 tickets to kick off the selling process. Jack announced that the top ticket seller would win lunch with Sheriff Gary Cutler. Ruth Diamond discussed the seven different prizes and packages and both Ruth and Jack talked about each of the aerial adventures that are being offered. Jack stated that if we were to sell all 1,500 tickets, this would be the largest fundraiser this group has ever done, with the possibility of bringing in over \$20,000. Jack discussed how the tickets will be sold, the advertising that will be done, and a sheet was passed around to get members to sign up to sell tickets at various locations throughout Hays County during September and October. Tickets can be sold until Friday, October 14th with the drawing being held on Wednesday, at the PSB October 19th at 2:00 pm.

Adjourn – Janice Snitkin made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm.

Next Meeting will be held on TUESDAY, September 20th at 6:30 pm at the PSB.