**CONVERSE CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD JULY 7, 2016**

**Converse Police Department Training Room, 402 S. Seguin Rd, Converse TX 78109**

The CCPAAA members were welcomed by CID Officer Mike Scogins.

 The meeting was called to order by President James “Jim” Sherman at 7:00 P.M. with the following members present:  President Jim Sherman, Vice President Bob Shonk, Secretary Nell Handley, Clarence Angle, Howard Benavides, Sylvia Benavides, Chip Coleman, Clayton Coleman, Dan Creswell, Rita Creswell, Glenn Ellison, Kerri Hancock, George Hernandez, Deborah McKenzie, Al Parker, Patricia Perdok, Toni Pillott, Deric Prescott, Jerry Riley, Mary Riley, Juanita Rimmer, Peter Salyards, Barbara Sherman, Cheryl Steinberg, George Thorpe, Mike Tokarski, Sally Tokarski, Marilyn Wallace, Bennie Wilson and John Woolery.  Treasurer Vauna Shonk was absent due to immediate family member illness.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence to honor those who serve and protect our country and community, President Sherman asked for the minutes of the previous meeting.  Secretary Nell Handley stated that the minutes of the meeting held June 2, 2016 were sent by e-mail and regular mail.  An addition to the minutes is that members Mary and Jerry Riley were present.  A motion to accept with the addition was made by Howard Benavides. Motion was seconded by Deborah McKenzie.  Motion carried.

 The treasury report was given by Vice President Bob Shonk in the absence of Treasurer Vauna Shonk.  There is a balance in the checking account of $6,005.57.  Motion to accept was given by John Woolery and seconded by George Thorpe.  Motion carried.

 Our speaker for the evening was Lee Dotson, Special Agent in charge of the San Antonio District of the Secret Service.  The San Antonio district is the second largest land mass district of the Secret Service.  The largest land mass district is the Denver District which covers Colorado, Wyoming and Idaho. The Secret Service is the federal investigative agency in the country. We celebrated 151 years this past July 5th. Before the Secret Service there was the US Marshal Service, the Postal Inspection Service and US Customs. Special Agent Dotson very colorfully gave the history of the Secret Service.  He followed with the current workings of the Secret Service and its agents.

 The PD report was given by CID Officer Mike Scogins due to the absence of Det. Cpl. Kim Molder.

There has been an increase in capital crime in the last two years. There have been several burglaries of storage units.  There was a theft at the AT&T center on 1604. Child abuse is on the increase.  The COP car would be very useful for patrolling Converse Business Lane businesses and the area storage unit facilities.  August range date has been changed to September.  National Night Out is October 4th starting at 6:00 P.M.

 Unfinished Business:   Casino Night Fundraiser Committee reported that a meeting was held Monday, June 26, at Grady’s. A sale of 150 tickets will generate an estimated profit of $4200. Price of a ticket is $35.00.  The event is to be held at Retama Park on Saturday, October 15. Members need to be working on collecting door prizes and silent auction items.  There will be a central collection place for items, so if you have an item, bring it to the meeting.

 Parade Float Committee will schedule a meeting within the next month.

 A Fiesta Medal Committee report was given by Bob Shonk for Chairman Gerald Hoffman. Committee is still looking at a design.   Bob suggested that they use the PD/Alumni pin.

 Following some discussion about the numbers of lanyards needed and the cost involved, a motion was made by Bob Shonk to not do the lanyards as voted on during the meeting held in October 2014. Al Parker seconded the motion.  Motion passed.

 There was no new business.

 Open Forum:  Sally Tabinski asked about the new ID badges. If a new badge is needed, please call Assistant Chief Rex Rheiner to set an appointment for taking a new photo or you can email him a recent photo for the new badge. Secretary Nell Handley asked if we need to continue with the website ccpaaa.us that was set up in 2014 by then Vice President Don Carr.  I cannot update the minutes, the roster or any other member accessible information.  We do have a Face Book page listed as Converse Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association.  The new Alumni patches are in and the cost is $2 each.  The COP car was taken to the 4th of July parade in Schertz by John Woolery, Bill Lisenby and Derik Prescott.

July Birthdays were acknowledged for the PD and Alumni.

Door Prize of $20.00 was won by Bob Shonk.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:33 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Nell Handley, Secretary