

Texas Chief Deputies Association
Board of Directors Meeting
December 2, 2005
Ellis County Sheriff's Office
Waxahachie, TX

The meeting was called to order at 10:10am by Association President Chief Charles Sullins. Present at the meeting were: President Charles Sullins, Emmett Benavidez, Bobby Garmon, Mel Gideon, Cheryl Martin, Ed Krevit, Mike Redwine, Byron Lyons, and David Thurman. Also present were: Jan Halverson and Carmella Smith, both from Texas Association of Counties.

Following an opening prayer by Bobby Garmon, the minutes from the September 7, 2005 were accepted as written with a motion by Cheryl Martin and a second by Bobby Garmon.

Cheryl Martin presented the treasurer's report. It reflected the following balance as of 12/2/01: scholarship fund \$ 30,993.25, operating fund \$ 1,627.34 (following a \$ 5000 transfer to the scholarship fund) and a petty cash fund of \$ 1,313.53. Cheryl stated she will make a transfer from petty cash to the operating fund very soon.

In matters of old business, Charles Sullins advised he would get with Chief Bruno Valdez, head of the scholarship committee and have him, Cheryl Martin and Mel Gideon revise the scholarship application and eligibility criteria.

Charles Sullins then thanked Chief Ed Krevit for his efforts on the web page. Ed advised he would update the photos on the web page.

The board was advised by Charles Sullins that the letter to the vendors was being sent out in reference to the upcoming '06 convention.

In discussing possible topics for training, the following topics were suggested:

- Oil field equipment theft and investigation
- General jail issues
- Crisis management (based on Chief Lyon's experience w/hurricane recovery)

It was also discussed that TAC might bring their driving simulator to the convention and put on related training.

A tentative training schedule was discussed. The schedule is:

Tuesday: MHMR Crisis Training

Wednesday: 8-9am Motivational opening address (Mel Gideon stated he would try to get Gene Leonard to do this address)

9-12pm Oilfield equipment theft

1-3pm Driving simulator

3-5pm New technologies (vendor demonstrations)

Thursday 8-12pm Jail Liability issues

1-3pm Disaster Management

3-5pm Business meeting

Friday: Chief/spouse training segment
(topic to be decided)

As the conference gift was a "hit" at the last conference, the board discussed doing the same at the '06 conference. A motion was made by David Thurman to allow the expenditure of up to \$ 60 an item for a gift item similar to a portfolio. Jan Halverson stated she would take care of arranging this purchase. The motion was seconded by Bobby Garmon and passed unanimously.

Following a short discussion, Chief Byron Lyons made a motion to increase the vendor fee to \$ 350. The motion received a second by Emmett Benavidez and it passed unanimously.

President Sullins advised Membership Committee Chairman Chief Bruno Valdez had advised him nine new chiefs had joined the organization.

In reporting for the scholarship committee, Chief Cheryl Martin had a thank you card from scholarship recipient Lacy Walden. Also, Chief Martin advised she and Chief Gideon are working on the scholarship application forms and the revision of these forms.

The next board meeting was scheduled for March 10th in Waxahachie and the final board meeting prior to the '06 conference was tentatively scheduled for May 2nd in Kerrville.

The board meeting adjourned and the board was treated to a great lunch prepared by Mrs. Sullins, beautiful wife of President Charles Sullins.