

Board Meeting Minutes
Texas Chief Deputies Association
General Board Meeting
September 14, 2007
Smith County Law Enforcement Officer's Training Facility
Tyler, TX

The meeting was called to order at 9:03am by Association President Bobby Garmon. Members present were President Bobby Garmon, 2nd Vice President George Arispe, 3rd Vice President Ed Krevit, Secretary/Historian David Thurman, Treasurer Cheryl Martin, Board Members Byron Lyons, David Whitis, Bruno Valdez, Mel Gideon and committee heads Butch Davis and Abraham Vega. Also present were Jan Halverson from Texas Association of Counties and Brenda Johnson from Smith County Sheriff's Office.

The invocation was given by Byron Lyons. The minutes of the Board Meeting from June 13, 2007 were read by Brenda Johnson. They were approved and accepted following a motion by Ed Krevit and a second by Cheryl Martin. The Treasurer's Report was given by Cheryl Martin reflecting the following balances:

Scholarship fund (including CD#7895)	\$ 51,546.07
Operating fund	\$ 16,373.49
Petty cash	<u>\$ 496.14</u>
Total assets	\$ 68,415.70

The Treasurer's Conference report reflected the following:

Revenue from members	\$ 14,100.00
Revenue from sponsors	\$ 12,850.00
Revenue from vendors	\$ 17,725.00
Total conference revenue	\$ 44,675.00
Total conference expenses	\$ 30,634.25
Profit from '07 conference	\$ 14,040.75
Scholarship payments	\$ 3,500.00
Profit after scholarships	\$ 10,540.75

There was some discussion as to the process for approving expenditures during the conference and the need to have board approval for expenditures. After this discussion, a motion was made by Mel Gideon to accept all the Treasurer's reports as given. The motion received a second by Ed Krevit and all present voted in favor.

In old business, Ed Krevit advised all the awards for the founding chiefs who were unable to attend the conference, had been contacted and presented with their plaques.

Ed Krevit gave a report on the '06-'07 conference. There were 113 members who paid with 104 members attending the conference.

Chief Krevit then gave a committee report on the '07-'08 conference. Several topics were discussed as possible training subjects including Islamic Terrorism, leadership classes with Frank Woodall, Chief's Panel Discussion dealing with retention and recruitment and other issues, Jail Issues, the "phenomenon of "Excited Diliverium", TCLEOSE mandated training and NIMS training. All present were urged to come up with specific areas of training and to present those at the next board meeting.

Cheryl Martin brought up for discussion the assignment of specific duties for board members at the conference. She felt it would better spread out the responsibilities if each board member took on a specific duty and that board member would have the same duties at the following year's conference. One board member would have vendors, one board member would have sponsorships, and one board member would have door prizes and so on. It was generally agreed upon this would be a good idea.

Butch Davis was then called on to present the report from the Membership Committee. Butch proposed a membership drive composed of a contest. He presented an outline showing the chief bringing in the most new members would receive a reward of having his/her membership and conference fees paid in full. Other awards would consist of jackets, shirts and caps for different levels of recruitment. A motion was made by David Thurman followed by Ed Krevit to accept and implement Butch's plan and all present voted in favor. The contest will start around January 2008 and go until May 1, 2008.

Ed Krevit stated all members who would be leaving the association during '07-'08, should be encouraged to have their replacements join the association and become active.

There was not a report from the Scholarship Committee; however, it was reported Clay Barton with Kerr County, had agreed to help on this committee. In other scholarship related news, Cheryl Martin read several thank you notes from some of the scholarship recipients.

There was discussion as to the scholarship guidelines as far as the number of hours required to be taken by scholarship recipients. It was the consensus of the board to stick with the set guidelines of a required 12 hours for undergraduates and 9 hours for graduate students.

There was discussion at that time as to what the vendor fees should be for the 2008 conference. In the end, David Thurman made the motion to leave the vendor fees at \$ 450. David Whitis seconded the motion and all present voted to leave the fees at the previous years' rate.

Following discussion, the membership dues were left the same upon a motion by Cheryl Martin and a second by Abraham Vega.

Conference fees were also left the same by a vote of the board after a motion by Cheryl Martin and a second by Byron Lyons.

Smith County Judge Joel Baker then gave a presentation on the upcoming bond issue in Smith County. The association was asked to give their backing to the issue. After referring to the bylaws and discussion on the matter, it was the consensus of the board that although all were in support of the Smith County Jail issue, the association could not officially back any bond issue.

Following a motion by Mel Gideon and a second by George Arispe, the board voted to pay for the room and expenses incurred by T.A.C. for Jan Halverson at the 2008 conference.

The board then discussed whether or not the sponsor of members attending the training at the conference who also attend the training sessions and request TCLEOSE credit, should have to pay an additional fee. After discussion, no action was taken by the board.

The board discussed the possibility of a golf tournament at the 2008 conference. There did not seem to be a lot of demand or support for it at that time and no action was taken. The topic was left open for possible further action in the future.

The next board meeting was set for Friday, November 30, 2008 in Tyler, TX. The meeting was adjourned.