

Board of Director's Meeting  
Texas Chief Deputies Association  
March 9, 2007  
Tulia, Texas

Members present: President Emmett Benavidez, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Bobby Garmon, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President George Arispe, Treasurer Cheryl Martin, Secretary/Historian David Thurman, Directors Ed Krevet, Mel Gideon, Past President Charles Sullins, Jan Halerson (T.A.C.) and Carmella Smith (T.A.C.)

The meeting was called to order by President Emmett Benavidez at 10:00am. Chief Mel Gideon delivered the invocation. The minutes of the November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2006 meeting were approved with minor corrections following a motion by Mel Gideon and a second by Ed Krevet.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer Cheryl Martin. The report reflected the following balances:

Scholarship Fund \$ 2,040.02 (\$40,000 was transferred to a short term CD)  
Operating Fund \$ 16,309.84  
CD# 7895 \$ 40,312.98  
Petty cash \$ 597.95  
Total TDCA Assets \$ 59,260.79

It was suggested by Cheryl Martin the board might want to consider moving \$ 10,000 from operating to the scholarship fund so that it would be in a higher interest bearing account. The board unanimously agreed to follow her suggestion and move that amount.

A motion was made by Mel Gideon to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. The motion was seconded by George Arispe. All present voted to accept the Treasurer's report.

Chief Bobby Garmon suggested in the future, some of the board meetings be held as a conference call to save travel expenses and allow for all the board to participate. After discussion, it was decided meeting in person was necessary and an important part of the way the association works. No action was taken in this matter.

**Conference Issues:**

Public Safety Logos sent a request to the board to allow him to produce belt buckle sets, money clips and other such items using the TCDA logo. The board agreed to allow him to do so, but he would have to pay for a vendor table like

everyone else. He was also advised that although he could use the logo, he would not have exclusive rights to do so.

Ed Krevit, Conference Committee Chairman, advised he had received from Jim Dodson the amount Jim would charge to teach at the conference. As the association had never paid presenters in the past, this was discussed by the board. The consensus of the board was to maintain a high level of training to the conference participants. Therefore, it will be necessary to pay for some training from time to time.

The board was advised sponsors had been arranged for nearly all the activities at the conference including the hospitality room, prayer breakfast, the banquet, and the president's reception. Chief Krevit advised the arrangements for the purchasing and engraving of the pistol for the outgoing president were almost complete.

A motion was made by Mel Gideon to accept the conference schedule as presented and it was seconded by Cheryl Martin. The tentative schedule passed by acclamation.

Chief David Thurman, head of the Melvin Drum Award Committee, advised the selection for the award had been made.

Tim Bell, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, was not present, but Emmett advised he had been contacted by Tim and as of that date, Tim had only received one application for the scholarship. The members of the board all felt more applications would be received in time for consideration.

Carmella Smith advised she was looking at several new and different activities for the spouses and children at the conference. Some of them were: a trip to the capital in Austin, a trip to the LBJ Ranch, and a trip to the Saver-Beckman Farm near the LBJ ranch.

It was discussed and decided to purchase logo shirts for the board members and their spouses to be worn during registration.

The next board meeting was scheduled for May 4<sup>th</sup> at 10am at the Inn of the Hills in Kerrville.

The meeting was adjourned.