

Anchorage Police Citizen Academy Alumni Association
Meeting Minutes
August 18, 2005

Members present were:

Scott Sell

Angela Moss

George Gaguzis

Lisa Jackson

Kristina Kuhlmann

Ursula Wing

Jim Kaletka

Cindi Crawford

Connie Ernst

John Michalski, Jr.

Paul Honeman

Call to Order/Roll Call: The meeting was called to order by Scott Sell at 5:45 p.m.

Reading and Approval of the Minutes: Connie Ernst made the Motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting. The motion was seconded by John Michalski and the minutes were accepted.

Treasurer Report and Bank Requirements: Angela Moss is also filling as Treasurer. Gave brief report on the balance of bank account and status of money deposited and disbursed for the filing fee of corporation paperwork. Several people became current on their dues and they were recorded and deposited.

Chief Walt Monegan: Discussed new ideas on volunteer opportunities. Introduced Paul Honeman as the new PIO at the Dept. He has now moved into Public Affairs. Chief went over a few things he would like to see:

- Thinking outside the box; get more involved
- Had a mtng. w/ Mayor Begich and they looked at aspect of tribunal traffic Court instead of Magistrate.
- Look into testing process to take those interested in becoming Lieutenants and using volunteers during the testing process as role players
- Ken Stout came to Chief with recommendations of programs such as RSVPs (Retired Senior Volunteer Program)
- MADD recently sent Chief to Reno where he was approached by volunteers such as RSVPs
- Needs ideas for programs and examples for Anch.
- He doesn't mind trying new things
- Volunteering in the schools (reading to children; working with SROs; doing bicycle safety; talking to students about strangers; etc.)
- Need identifying uniforms for group

- Reassured group that the meat is here is they want to attach; doesn't want us to go away
- McGruff volunteer: mentioned that kids don't know who that is anymore; need to change that; we have tapes to play in classrooms
- Reiterated that cops do love kids
- DARE program – need volunteers in that area
- C. Ernst: mentioned getting gang situation under control
- Chief: wants to take the proactive role instead of reactive
- Reinforced lots of opportunities; good ideas being brought to him; volunteers needed
- Challenge is always money
- Scott Sell: asked who we contact at APD to get volunteerism under way – is there a contact?
- Tom Nelson: His section was to grow and evolve; starting to get those resources started; new substation on the way in an area that will need volunteers to man; training on the way to train others on how not to be victims; moving in direction of strategic plans; w/ new reassignments will move in this direction; w/Paul added – should help make this happen
- Scott: we have 12 people on list ready to do this substation volunteering
- Chief: New substation will be around 1600 block of Bragaw; St. Anthony's group did door to door knocking and did a survey on what was going on in their neighborhood. Saw a reduction in calls just due to door knocking. Substation will be a good place. E/R substation is not manned; complaint from Assembly members as well.
- P. Honeman/T. Nelson: Try to get together and see if we can get sub station off the ground. Howard Moseley will be moving into more role in personnel and will help
- Ride A Long program: S. Dunn went outside to conf. and he welcomes the idea of riders who also serve as witnesses on traffic tickets.
- Critical Incident volunteers: possible training opportunities in that area

Non-Profit Status: Scott gave update on non-profit status. He received a letter from the IRS; received the packet; needed some clarification; suggest that we make amendment to By Laws and Rules, Appendix A; IRS sent back 3 sections they want included; Scott read the sections. George motioned for the amendment to be made; John seconded that motion.

Discussion on Identifying Uniforms: Stellar Designs has the best price. Will add alumni to middle center of writing. P. Honeman suggested the embroidery makes a nice logo; Shirts are \$16.50 a piece/ per dozen. Vests are about \$20.00 a piece/per dozen. Discussed color options; Kristi motioned to accept colors black shirts with White writing; Ursela seconded that motion; More research on shirts/polos/vests.

Committee Heads:

-TRAFFIC: Chair – Jim Kaletka
 Co-Chair – John Michalski

- APD TOURS: Chair – Connie Ernst
Co-Chair – Jim Kaletka
- CRIME PREVENTION: Chair - Bo
- DUI: Chair – Lisa Jackson
Co-Chair – Cindi Crawford
- SUB STATIONS: Chair – Cindi Crawford
Co-Chair – Lisa Jackson
E/R Chair – Kristi Kuhlmann
- NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME WATCH: Chair – George Gaguzis
- SRO/MCGRUFF: Chair – Connie Ernst
Co-Chair – Cindi Crawford
- Ursela wants to volunteer at next Citizen Academy. Paul Honeman is going to head up this next Citizen Academy.

Upcoming Events:

- Money Expenditures: Need to get P.O. Box
- John Michalski volunteered to pay first six months fee for the rental and get the box set up. The box will be located at the Mid Town Post Office.
- Scott Sell – He wants us to join the National Citizen Academy list. Cost is appx. \$25.00. We will receive national newsletter of events.
- Connie Ernst will donate the money to cover the cost of fee to enroll.
- Questions about badges.
- Contacts while Scott is gone: George / Terry / Angela
- Mary gave brief update on Municipality disaster training / emergency response held on 8/18/05
- Paul Honeman gave brief update: has a lot going on at dept. 1 yr./ 2yr /3yr plan – looking into grants to go to National Committee Mtng. Looking at Anch. to host the annual Citizen Academy convention in 2007. Would need to go to 2006 meeting to pitch idea to committee. Wade has good ideas as well. Start researching 2007 options and city availability. Looking for comments on how to do things better or delete things that aren't working email Paul:
phoneman@ci.anchorage.ak.us

Angie made motion to adjourn; Ursela seconded motion

