

Anchorage Police Citizen Academy Alumni Association  
Meeting Minutes  
December 15, 2005

Members present were:

Scott Sell  
Terry Adlawan  
Angela Moss  
Marti Greeson  
Carol McNeil  
Katherine LaForest  
Lisa Jackson  
Ursula Wing  
Jim Kaletka  
John Finn  
Danny Pagal  
Dave Syren

**Call to Order/Roll Call:** The meeting was called to order by Scott Sell at 5:30 p.m.

**Reading and Approval of the Minutes:** Marti Greeson made the Motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting. The motion was seconded by Terry Adlawan and the minutes were accepted.

**Treasurer Report and Bank Requirements:** Scott gave brief report. We have approximately \$450.00 in the account. We received some new membership money.

**Academy Graduation:** Alumni should meet at the Loussac library between 3 – 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 17, 2005.

Scott received feedback on the subject of who would buy gifts for Wade, Kristi and Paul. Scott feels the Alumni should give something such as Appreciation certificates they could hang on a wall. All assistance spots were filled to coordinate the graduation.

**Possible Purchases:** Kathy was able to talk with a desk sergeant after a Sat. tour and received feedback on what APD really needs. Suggestions were as follows:

Safety Cones – they could use approx. 4 cones per squad car at a cost of \$26.00 ea. Scott approached a company who sells the cones and was able to negotiate a price of \$13.00 per cone due to the volume being ordered.

Tazers – They do not enough for each officer

Camcorders –

How else can we get involved? We need to be more visible as it is not coming from the top. Scott talked to Deputy Chief Huhn and they are receiving a lot of flags from servicemen flown in Iraq. They would like these flags displayed in boxes at APD Honor Room with a biography of the officer who sent the flag. Scott has been out there talking trying to introduce our group. APD shot down the idea of safety vests to wear at traffic

accidents as it could potentially make them a target. Ursela suggested that if our group could produce, we would get more credit. Marti/Angie both feel our group cannot just solely be a fundraising venue for the department. We must also be a collaboration of community involvement. Scott feels we should focus on fundraising money for the academy to begin the exposure process as well as public education. John Finn asked where the money went to fund these classes? It was explained. A more realistic goal is \$5,000 to do a respectable academy. This would include instructors, food, shirts and materials. Connie is in the beginning stages of drafting a letter to bring to the local business. Probably looking at packets with the Mayor, Chief of Police, and other local dignitaries who have participated in the class to give their experience and the reason for the academy. We need to go back to the people who have been to the class and who already know a business owner or someone with an interest in APD. We all need to get some ideas to Connie and help her write the letter.

**Grant Writing:** We need to find grants and maybe have a class on grant writing. We need someone with expertise as this would cost money to hire someone outside to do.

**Tours:** The tours seem to be going well and we are being used in this area.

**APCAAA Website:** The website received six emails regarding the next citizen academy. They were redirected to APD website.

**Citizen Academy:** Scott wants to get a wish list from officers. We need to try to get fundraising for the fall class. Scott wants the alumni to participate with developing the class agendas for the academy. Discussed different ideas for class presentation and possibly interacting with APD on a different level.

**Ride-A-Longs:** Dept. is not allowing riders until after the holidays. We are not getting anywhere in this dept.

**Substations:** What are we waiting for and why can't we begin to have open houses at the substations? Capt. Nelson blew us off and we need to find a different avenue to get this going. Discussed many ideas on how we can get involved from adopting a particular sub to doing an open house at each one once a month.

**DUI:** Not much we can do unless the academy is in session. APD needs to fund a coordinator to do the scheduling to get us volunteer work.

**Charitable Donations:** We can accept donations as we now have a tax ID#.

**New Officers:** Still looking for a treasurer. 2 Vice President candidates. 1 Secretary. Need to have proposals for officers by next meeting. We need a committee chair to get fall class going.

**Membership Renewals:** January dues are expected - \$12.00 for the year. Donations always appreciated.

**Misc:** Everyone needs a shirt of identification to wear when volunteering.

**National Committee Meeting:** National meeting in Indiana. Jim is considering attending. We need pins to trade so we are ordering our own. Marti suggested we ask APD to allow us to put a storage container at a substation so we have our own materials and have a safe place to keep them.

Out-of-Pocket Expenditures are all tax deductible with a receipt. Dues keep you an active member. We should all be receiving new volunteer badges once APD gets new machine.

**Adjournment:** Marti motioned for adjournment and Terry seconded motion at 6:50 p.m.