

Anchorage Police Citizens' Academy Alumni Association
Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2006

Members present:

Scott Sell	Sandra Schaeffer	Judith Stefchak
Cristin Roehl	Mary Kluis	Janetta Pritchard
Carol McNeil	Danny Pagal	Marti Greeson
Jim Kaletka	Terry Adlawan	Sussie Adlawan
Wade Lacey	Cindi Crawford	John Michalski, Jr.
Brian Dean	Paul Honeman	Larry Imm

Call to Order/Roll Call: at 5:35 PM by President Scott Sell

Reading & Approval of Minutes: July meeting minutes were approved as read. (August meeting was cancelled.)

Treasurer's Report: Cristin Roehl reported \$3,273.16 in checking account, and \$323.41 in savings account.

Old Business:

More South Bend Ideas: Lena Wallace from Decatur, AL citizen's academy has offered to assist us with fund raising. If you have ideas email them to Sussie.

Cookie/Veggie Program: Need more volunteers to bake and run; there are currently only 2-3 volunteers. Once again, the idea was explained to all members by Scott. Cristin Roehl is the cookie chair person. Contact Cristi letting her know what month and for what shift(s) you wish to volunteer. Three dozen cookies per shift that are taken to APD on the first of the month. Detective bureau wishes to be included. Cristin explained that they did receive a muffin and fruit tray, but the drop off person was treated with suspicion. Please include a card saying that the goodies are from the APCAAA so that the food is more readily accepted by the officers/detectives.

Calendar Committee Update: Absolute advertisement deadline is Sept. 30th. We need a lot more sponsors to make this year's calendar happen. At least 12 more ads at \$500 each must be sold. (We are over \$9,000 short.) Another option is to get a loan, per Paul Honeman's suggestion from the Search Team, for the remainder of the amount owed. We don't want to give money back to those who have already bought ads. Paul says the Search Team is willing to loan us the money, but will have to have a membership vote. If the Search Team fails to vote for the loan, then we will have to cancel the calendar order. Two APCAAA members generously volunteered to donate a total of \$5,850 of the \$9,000 total. Another idea is to put an ad in Anchorage Daily News to ask for sponsors. Scott asked the members to please do their best, knock on doors, to get sponsors for the calendar.

National Convention Committee: Sussie brought binders with proposals from ACVB that will go to the site committee. The site committee has been invited to visit Anchorage the week of Fur Rondy. We need to create a tentative agenda and conference schedule. A member showed the tentative logos that were being designed for our 2009 conference. He asked for other ideas. The logo would be used for the patch, letterhead, etc. Whatever patch we decide should be taken to the shirt shop so that we can have shirts made to sell. It was stated that the participant registration fee covered the cost of the shirt. ACVB will pay for fees if it is held at the Egan Convention Center (the new center won't open until 2010). Paul said that Jeanine contacted Dick Powers, and there was concern that Pinellas Park, FL may be unable to host next year's conference as some of their sponsors are backing out. There may not be a 2007 national conference.

New Business:

Nominations for the January Meeting: (President – 2 years) Someone to take names for January nominations. Carol McNeil volunteered to accept names. It will be posted on our Website. Contact the Webmaster if interested.

Detective Follow-Up Calls: Paul Honeman presented this new volunteer opportunity that will have the greatest impact on our community. Volunteers make follow-up calls to property crime victims on the status of their case. (Paul gave a hand-out of the property crimes script that might be used.) These phone calls will be made from APD on evenings and weekends. Confidentiality is a priority. The burglary sergeant will give the volunteer callers a briefing prior to beginning the calls. Volunteers identifiers will be their first names only, and they will announce that they are calling on behalf of APD. Biggest citizen complaint is that the detectives don't call victims back, this would alleviate the situation and be good PR for APD. Property crimes are increasing, but APD staff is not. A call was made for a chairperson to chair this committee, and Larry Imm volunteered. Wade also mentioned the possibility of setting up a victims' chatroom (victims would be assigned a password) where they could share with others.

Volunteer Sheets: Scott reiterated the need for us to keep a log of our volunteer hours as our hours are worth about \$18/hour. There were hardcopies passed around.

New Academy starts October 11th. Wednesday nights at the APD center on Dimond 6:30 pm

Chief Heun sent his apologies that he could not speak to our group tonight, as he was preparing to go before the Assembly tomorrow at 11:30 am in preparation for his swearing-in as new chief.

AFN Safety/Security Volunteers (Oct. 22 – 29): Volunteers are needed to man the safety/security desk 24 hours/day at the Egan Center. Volunteers will not work alone. The goal is to keep conference participants healthy and safe. Paul will be APD's point of contact. Contact Paul if you are available as he will keep a time sheet. Scott will do a mass email with info. The mayor's office will be hosting a series of diversity classes prior to AFN that would be beneficial to volunteers. Terry made a motion and Larry seconded it, and it was overwhelmingly accepted that we should attempt to man the safety/security booth at AFN 24/7. Email Paul with times and dates if you wish to volunteer. Parking may be an issue, Paul says that parking spaces will be available for volunteers - use your APCAAA parking pass.

Honorary Membership Nomination for Chief Walt Monegan: Scott made a nomination, and a motion to make Chief Monegan an honorary APCAAA member. It was seconded by Terry. It was unanimously approved by the membership. Jim Kaletka will present Chief Monegan with the certificate at his retirement party. Chief Monegan will be our first honorary member.

More Volunteers Needed: Core group needs to be expanded. Volunteer opportunities beyond the workday are being generated.

Meeting Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

- Respectfully Submitted: Carol McNeil, APCAAA Secretary