



Houston Gulf Coast Alarm Association
Minutes of HGCAA Meeting & Luncheon 11/9/2017
Held at Bass Computers

Meeting called to order at 11:46 23 attendees

2017-2018 HGCAA Officers / Directors:

President – John Helweg
Vice President – Van Mayorga
Secretary – Mary Edmonson
Treasurer – Penny Mayorga
Sergeant at Arms – Amanda Jackson

Editor – Steve Carr
Parliamentarian – Calvin Stewart
Education Director – James Weston
General / Regional Director – Dennis White

Standard Business:

Benediction/Pledge – led by Van Mayorga
Roll call of Officers – Editor & Education Director not present, established quorum
Recognized associate members in attendance
Recognized guests – Harris County & DPS
Thanked Bass Computers for hosting and food, Anna (Security Manager) welcomed us and spoke briefly
Meeting Minutes – reviewed and approved – motion to approve Dennis White 2nd d by Clint Fagg - Motion Passed
Treasurer's Report – reviewed and approved – motion to approve Brian McKinney, 2nd d by Clint Fagg. Discussion on Mileage expense paid for President's travel. Motion passed

Director's Reports, Committee Reports, & Old Business/Discussion:

- John – went to Fire Marshall state convention. There were FM from all around the state there. John joined Texas Fire Marshall Association. He worked with them on some bylaw changes. The FM would like some CEU classes and training on plan review. They want to partner with us by joining in meetings and such. Legislative update was very detailed given by Mark Flathouse with Ft. Bend County.
- Kelly Turner with DPS said operators spread thin as they were not able to work on DPS cases when Harvey hit. They were support for guarding against looters and other such things for 2 weeks. They will probably have to send people to Austin to help cover for the San Antonio church shooting.
- Home Owners Association – want to work to find a list of HOA's to start attending meetings to notify them of licensing requirements and possible presentations across the city. Amanda Jackson made motion to make a committee to investigate HOA and how HGCAA can work with them. Darleen DeBoer Seconded. Motion Passed.
- Susan Griswold now Assist President. Bowie will be there on Tuesday notices coming out for attendance. Saltgrass on Shephard. Christmas Party Dec 12th @ 7pm-9:30pm \$35 per person \$40 at door Buffet style with White Elephant gift exchange.

New Business:

- DPS Sunsets 2018. Comments need to be made before December 8, 2017.
- TBFAA – Possibility of letting individuals become members. Discussion on whether we need to form committee to discuss this option. Dennis made motion for exploratory committee to allow techs to join HGCAA. Amanda seconded. Motion Passed
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Guest Speaker: Convention wrap up - John Helweg spoke about some of the classes at the convention. In Hurricane Harvey class group spoke about some of the things they did with communications with customers. Fire update went over the website. Also spoke about new/old code requirement being enforced saying that subcontractors used to design fire plans have to be listed under the company they are creating plans for. Legislative update was unimpressive as not much happened. DPS update dealt mostly with unlicensed companies and Bowie was there. Before reporting a company we should at least check the website to make sure they aren't licensed. It is possible they are and just don't have their company license listed on vehicle. Mary Edmonson shared some of past convention attendee numbers and this year was

in line with past years. We made some changes to class schedules and meeting times at the convention this year. Not sure if we will do the same next year. We will probably have less classes next year so that we don't have vendors give their time for a class with 3-5 people in them. TBFAA is headed to Austin for the first time next year – Golf Oct 10, Classes and Trade show Oct 11 and classes on Oct 12.

Raffles: Larger prize first except the PAC Fund:

- \$25 Amazon (HGCAA) – Darleen Deboer
- \$25 Pappas (HGCAA) – John Alimeke
- \$25 Lowes (HGCAA) – Calvin Stewart
- \$25 Chilli's (HGCAA) – D Miller (Haris County)
- \$25 Chic-Fil-A (Southwest Dispatch) – John Helweg
- \$25 Academy (UCC) – Melvin Johnson
- \$25 Academy (HGCAA) - Amanda Jackson
- PAC \$95 \$47/\$47 – Mary Edmonson

Meeting Adjourned 1:29

Next meeting is December 14th @ ADI Pinemont