Austin Police Retired Officers Association General Membership Meeting - Minutes March 12, 2025

1. Roll Call of Officers

President	Dennis Farris – P
Vice President	John Sisson - P
Secretary/Treasurer	Randy Malone – P
Sgt. at Arms	Craig Cannon - P
Board 1	Gary Rosch – P
Board 2	Calvin Smith – P
Board 3	K.C. Conner - P
Board 4	Joe Munoz – P

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Reading of the minutes

Motion made by KC Conner to accept the minutes of the January 8, 2025 meeting as written, Second by Tom O'Conner. Discussion – None - Approved by voice vote.

4. Membership report: (Est: May 9, 2003, 234 Retirees when formed) Of the current 1183 retired Austin Officers who meet the qualifications for membership, that we know of, we have 654 members 150 of which are Lifetime Members. In addition we have 21 Honorary Members and 10 Associate Members.

New Lifetime Members Sam Holt - 2-18-2025 Sean Gorham - 3-3-2025

5. Reports of Committees-

Benevolent Committee – (Lisa Morrill & Kim Farbo) Officer/Family Member who passed away or reporting serious health issues Susan Farmer passed away 1-18-2025 Bob Davis passed away, heart attack, on 1-18-2025 Justin "Al" Shaffer passed away 1-28-2025 William Gary Henrichs passed away on 1-29-2025 John Stewart passed away 1-31-2025 SPO Matthew Jackson's son Grayson Hiro Lee Jackson passed away Andy Pietrowski - open heart surgery on 2-5-2025 Ron Blackmore, shoulder and bicep surgery David Crowder had 2 successful back surgeries, still recovering Daniel Armstrong's mother, Jeane Marie Carr (Jeane Mecom Carr) passed away 2-9-2025 Rick Stevens' daughter Danielle Herrera passed away 3-1-2025 Dale Cooper passed out and injured head when he fell on 3-1-2025, doing much better. Justin Weathers passed away 3-5-2025 Gene Meziere's brother, Macklyn "Mack" Sherrod, passed away 3-6-2025 Lindsay Chervenak passed away 3-10-2025 Monroe Stinson (Former APD officer - Joe Stinson's cousin) passed away 3-10-2025 Carl Hendricks - had brain surgery

Entertainment Committee – Randy Malone - APROA 2025 Spring Social

We are booked at the Creedmoor Community Center for **Saturday, April 2**6, 2025. Start at 11:00am, food served at 12:30pm, 12511 FM 1625, Creedmoor, Texas 78610, for our Spring 2025 Social. We will be serving catfish and for those who do not care for catfish we will have bar-b-que chicken. If we have a big crowd on hand when the cook gets ready to serve, we start serving early. This Social is free to Members, APD Retired Civilians and one guest each. Additional guest will cost \$15.00. We will start taking RSVPs now being taken.

Retirement Committee – (Keith Harrison/ Mike Cowden) – Pattie and Tyler did a short presentation about the system since the start up 1-1-2025. Appears to be working well.

Legislative – (Dennis Farris) - Dennis talked about some of the Legislation that was being worked on regarding Line of Duty death benefits and bills nicknamed, D.A. Garza bills. CLEAT is working on many bills which will benefit officers.

APA Liaison Committee – Robert Gross –

The Lot next to the APA did sell, plumbing company

City Council looking at having someone other than police respond to Mental health Calls.

APD is looking at doing away with 311 Joe Swann - APA VP - is retiring

City of Austin Benefits Committee - (Gary Rosch) City Benefits

Rosch reported this Committee has not yet had a meeting in 2025 but does not think there will be any big changes to our insurance this year.

Membership Committee - (John Sisson) - No report

Social Media Committee – (Dennis Farris) -

Treasurer Report - Randy Malone – 2025 Budget report attached

Motion made by Rosch to accept the Committee Reports, Second by Zimmerman. Discussion – None – Approved by Voice vote.

6. Communications and Bills -

Thank you letter from Scottish Rite for Children for our donation for Ralph E. Wayne.

Thank you card from Justin Shaffer's family 7. Unfinished Business – None

 New Business – Austin Police Chief Lisa Davis - No show

March presentation - Retiree Bill Manno - An alternative method for investing IRA's and 401K's, specifically passive investing in commercial real estate.

Food for May Meeting - By show of hand members voted for Fajitas. However, the Pig Pen Bar-B-Que, who was providing food for the March Meeting failed to show up but offered to make it up by providing food for the May meeting, at no charge.

Dawn & Courtney - from the Pet Team - did a quick presentation about their Grant Funded program and they do sell patches.

Door Prize - Dave Knutson

8. Adjournment

Motion made by Rosch to adjourn, second by Robert Gross Discussion – None – Approved by Voice vote - Meeting Adjourned

Randy Malone – Secretary/Treasurer