July 6th, 2023 – General Membership Minutes

1. **Call to Order – APA President Thomas Villarreal Presiding**
2. **Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum**

As per Article VII Section 5 of APA Bylaws, the presence of forty-five (45) active regular members or a majority of the APA Board of Directors at any general, special called, or emergency membership meeting shall constitute a quorum at such meeting.

1. **Treasurer’s Report**

1) Treasurer’s Report as of June 30th, 2023 – Jeff Olson

56,145 income

49,916 spent

87,905 under budget for the year

1. **Old/New Business**

1) Bargaining Update – Waiting for city to figure out Prop A, changes to bargaining team, smaller team, Question asked about ABL when it expires, have not discussed with chief

2) Backfill – Had issues with someone finding a backdoor into program which is why it was shut down temporarily. APA still hosting the signup while the department figures out a solution. APA has tried to ask the Department what the plan is if/when the department numbers continue to decline.

Question about tightening OT budget on backfilling on case load – This is a concern of the 5th floor.

Question about forcing Officers to take Comp time instead of OT when backfilling case load – This is legal but no word to

3) PAC Update – Christopher Irwin – PAC in good financial condition, now have ability to take in corporate donations as well as individual donations.

Legislative Session update – Oversight Bill SB 2209 - Partisan Vote, House committee originally voted it down, some confusion on the bill. Got it re heard and passed committee. Got held up in Calendar, Was not heard on the floor – ran out of time.

HB4227 – CH 143 bill – Passed, protecting our 143 rights.

SB 2593 – Less Lethal Bill – Made it through the Senate, went to house floor with the retroactive part removed. No vote, sponsor killed the bill.

Still working with Governor for a law enforcement special session to work on the bills that did not get a vote

4) General Election Timeline and Dates –

Election Chair – Lt. Jim Beck

All positions up for election

Important Dates:

Next Term – January 1st, 2024 - December 31st, 2026

Filing Date – September 1st, 2023 until 5:00pm September 22nd, 2023

(based on Oct 5th General Membership Meeting – Need to schedule and add to website)

Nominations emailed to APA Secretary [tyler@austinpolice.com](mailto:tyler@austinpolice.com) or mailed/dropped off at the APA Office Attn: Secretary

General Membership Meeting added for October 5th for nominations from the floor

Voting – November 1st, 2023 8am – November 9th, 2023 at 8am

5) Fun Committee’s Family Day – Laurie Gomez provided update on planning and announced the date for the event - November 5th, no time yet.

6) Podcast requests – If you have any ideas, please send them in.

7) Feedback Form on APA website – APA is getting feedback, some good, some not really feedback but complaining. Use it to send in info

NEW BUSINESS –

Any info on losing officers to DPS – APA has been told 30-35 people by reliable sources, but no notifications by the department. Department was told 2 people. Asked if department is making plans if we lose a large number. Department said they don’t do work based on hypotheticals.

With the Chief letting the OPO in IA, is there any recourse APA has? APA filed a case in 2018 when it happened, which was not resolved since APA got a contract. Right now we are waiting for a good case to move forward in court.

**5. Door Prize Drawings – Must be present to win**

1) $100 Door Prize Winner: Jim Beck

2) $100 Door Prize Winner: Kevin Kelly

3) $100 Door Prize Winner: Mason Woo

**6. Adjournment – 12:34p**