

# Grand Prairie Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association

---



1525 Arkansas Lane, GP TX 75052  
GPCPAAA@gmail.com  
www.GPCPAAA.org



## General Membership Meeting Minutes August 9, 2022

**CALL TO ORDER:** by Gary McGahey at 6:33 PM in the Public Safety Building's Community Room

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:** K9 Officer Lance Montee and K9 Tank. GPCPAA presented check for Tank's tactical vest. Tank is 2 years old and patrol and narcotics trained.

**GUEST SPEAKER FOR GENERAL MEETING:** Community Services Division. Lt Tim Sliva and Sgt Blair and Office DJ West. Host CPA class and shared an update. Sept 8 starts next class.  
Overview: recently made up of Deployment, K9, School Resource and Crime Prevention Units with a total of 40 officers. Schools in GPISD more secure with new technology, procedures, and staff. GPPD has had additional training since Uvalde. CPA started a Spanish class last year. Want to offer a Vietnamese CPA class in the future. There is a new online portal for CPA classes.

**APPROVE MINUTES:** Helen Dulac

- As prepared by former Secretary, Phuong Ybarra
- Diana King made a motion to approve the minutes. Second by Betty Hulse. Motion passed.

**REVIEW FINANCIALS:** Vickie Graham

- Review July 2022 financial report
- Checks cut for Mary Wells for Hospitality Committee work
- Purchase two new branded canopies. One on display at the meeting.
- No activity in the Banquet account

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Introduction of GPCPAAA Committees, Chairs and Responsibilities. Added some new committees. No report because some committees just formed. Sign up sheets passed around for members to sign up for a committee.
  - Hospitality & Sunshine – Mary Wells
  - Fundraising – Diana King.
    - raffles, spirit nights, grants.
  - GPPD Annual Police Awards Banquet – Prudence Mathis
  - Special Projects and Events – Roz Henwood.
    - Cops and kids fishing and more. Community events partner with GPPD. National appreciation days. Bottled water moved to this committee. Also work on booking speakers for general meetings.
  - Finance- Tommy Johnson.
    - Two audits. Investment opportunities.
  - CPA Class –Lynda Buchanan
    - New committee

*The Grand Prairie Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association is a non-profit voluntary organization of interested CPA graduates who join to promote and improve community relations, increase community involvement, and assist and support the Grand Prairie Police Department.*

- Membership and recruitment under here.
- Find ways alumni can support CPA classes
- Governance (used to be Policy & Procedures)- Mike Kennedy

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Outdoor Sale at Traders Village delayed due to heat.
  - Set Up – Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Sale – Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Pick Up Contacts Changing. Rosemary Reed and Gary McGahey. Maybe one more person.
    - Email [GPCPAAA@gmail.com](mailto:GPCPAAA@gmail.com) to schedule a pickup or for more information

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Board voted to join GP Chamber of Commerce. Chance to make business contacts and support the Chamber who has supported us.
- Liability Insurance – seeking bids. The Board will vote on it once there are bids.
- We want input and engagement from all. If meetings get out of hand will enact Roberts Rules of Order.
- Website update and will now include:
  - Bylaws & Policy/Procedures
  - Minutes
  - Feature all the committees and the work they do
  - List of members
- Facebook
  - Had an account that went inactive but able to activate it. Looking for people to be admins to take photos and make posts.
- CPAANT: Citizens Police Academy Alumni of NTX.
  - As members of GPCPAAA, you are automatically a member of CPAANT and can attend all meetings.
  - Upcoming meeting in agenda packet: Carrollton PD, 8/6.
  - Speaker – Volunteer Org and System
- Banquet Meeting
  - Wednesday, 8/10 with GPCPAAA and GPPD
  - Chiefs, R. Simpson, M. Rodriguez & J.J. Wallis
  - Will share outcome at next meeting
- September, October & November GPCPAAA Meetings
  - Monday Nights 9/12, 10/10 & 11/14 in PSB Community Room
  - Board Meeting @ 5:30pm in Community Room. Rules relaxed so members can listen and give feedback.
  - General Meeting @ 6:30pm in Community Room
  - 11/14 general meeting may be Community Service for Santa Cop Shopping Night
  - If needed, Board of Directors will recess and then reconvene following general meeting
- 2022/23 Budget
  - General Operating Fund approved – Preliminary passed with specific items that will requiring a vote.
  - Banquet Fund – Pending Meeting with Chief and Staff

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- September Citizen Police Academy Alumni of North Texas (CPAANT), Saturday, 9/10, 10am, DeSoto PD
- September GPCPAAA Meeting, Monday 9/12, 6:30pm, Community Room
- October CPAANT Meeting, Saturday 10/1, 10am, Arlington PD
- October Meeting, Monday 10/10, 6:30pm, Community Room

*The Grand Prairie Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association is a non-profit voluntary organization of interested CPA graduates who join to promote and improve community relations, increase community involvement, and assist and support the Grand Prairie Police Department.*

- GPCPAAA Rummage Sale, Sat 11/5 & Sun 11/6 at Traders Village
- November Meeting, Monday 11/14, 6:00pm, Community Service Event
  - Santa Cop Warehouse 2000 E. Main Street (National Auto Body Parts Warehouse Complex)

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mike Kennedy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 PM. Donna Kennedy second. Motion passed.

Minutes taken by Secretary Helen Dulac. Minutes approved at the September 12, 2022 General Meeting.