



## TCOPA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 16, 2015

### **Board Members/Special Guests Present:**

Delvon Campbell – President  
Bryan Proctor – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Mitch Vaughn – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Pat Perry Martinez – Secretary  
Scott Johnson – Treasurer  
John Gault – Parliamentarian

Bryan called the executive board meeting into session at 7:03 pm with the above board members in attendance, and noting that Delvon would be arriving a little late. Many of the Grand Prairie members attended, as well as other members. The meeting was held at the Police and Fire Building, 1525 W. Arkansas, second floor, Grand Prairie, TX.

Bryan introduce Lt Mike Gudgel of Grand Prairie, he welcome everyone with a nice short speech. He talked about the coming convention and wanted to work to making this the best one yet. Then he turned it over to Deputy Chief Ronnie Morris, who welcomed everyone and agreed with what Lt Mike Gudgel was saying about the convention. He also wanted to see the highest attendance record at this year's convention. He ended with thanking everyone, and stated this would be: "The Best Grand Convention You'll Ever Seen". We thank these Officers for their great speeches to our members.

Bryan started out by asking for the officer's reports:

- Mitch Vaughn reports he has 3 new additions to the website from members. As he gets new information about the Grand Prairie convention he will update the site. There was a page on the website that somehow got deleted or wiped clean, He is working on getting that back. Bryan Proctor wanted to remind the members to add their COPS pictures onto TCOPA Facebook page. We would share our pictures of what we do with smaller COPA towns, so they can be added to our group.
- Delvon talked about the inventory and giving-away audit. He told the TCOPA members that we did pretty good last convention, with an estimate amount of \$1,700.00. Than he talked about using "The Square" to do transactions for the credit cards at this year's convention and how it can be used on I-phones. A member brought up using PayPal and how it was better than The Square, she had used them both. Delvon is planning on researching more on both of them.
- Pat asked if everyone had read the August's Convention minutes and if there were any corrections needed. Burleson members observed and suggested minor grammar errors which were corrected. Pat Martinez told the members when formatting the minutes to fit the pages, she deleted an area on the first page that needed to added back into the minutes. After going over the corrections and area with the members. The report was approved after a motion by Bryan and second by Mitch. All in favor; none opposed; the motion was passed. The minutes were approved with correction.
- Bryan Proctor wanted to know if you went to last year's convention in La Grange to please let him know what you liked about the courses. What classes did you like, and want to take again? What new classes would you like to see? What give-a-ways did you like the most or would you like to see? [Bryan.proctor@cleburne.net](mailto:Bryan.proctor@cleburne.net)

## Old Business

- Treasurer's reports from the past audit- tabled
- Conference name tags--Bryan stated, at the last Board meeting we discuss how the Board would be using different colors for name tags for members' vs non-members at this year's convention. How we were going to have counting cards for the members to use for voting as well.

## New Business

- TCOPA bank account: the P.O. Box moved to a new address topic. The board members decided to leave the P.O. Box for now where it is. Scott will ask for a forwarding address to his address. Delvon wanted Scott to also go and talk to the US postal service to find out what is best for TCOPA in this matter of changing different members address every few years.
- By-Law discussion: Delvon told John Gault that he had read the revised areas of the By-Laws and that he and the board had a lot of areas that did not work well with our group. They discussed many different areas, but nothing was decided. The board told John that they will get back to him and be ready by the end of September as agreed. The members can read TCOPA By-Laws on the websites, and they can ask the By-Law committee to consider their request for their revised area.
- Fallen Officers committee updated: Michelle update the board, she stated that anybody that put down their name to join her committee, she'll be contacted you soon.
- Convention Update: Delvon talked about the upcoming Grand Prairie Convention dates. He asked Gary if Thursday, Friday, Saturday, with Wednesday still setup for early registration. Bryan asked Gary from Grand Prairie, how many classes the place would be able to handle, they answered with about 700 room. Bryan said that would work. Delvon stated that we normally need about 4 to 5 Breakout session for about 150 people. Grand Prairie will need to come up with most of the topic for the courses, but TCOPA will do a few. Grand Prairie should make them unique to their area. Bryan also told them if you have about 300 people then plan on 8 classes. Delvon or Bryan would send them a blank course/class schedule model template to work with to make things easy. Delvon also told them the Board meeting needed to be on a Saturday morning on that schedule.
- Challenge coins was brought up by the members and making a wooden box to hold them for display of the different cities. Delvon suggested maybe a shadow box would work.

## Other Announcements

- Kristy Gilbert spoke up, that she had noticed there was no one on the award committee, and that she wanted to chair it. President Delvon Campbell appointed Kristy Gilbert as the chairperson for the Awards committee. If you would like to join this committee contact her.
- Our next monthly Board meeting is on October 21, 2015 @ 6:30pm at 3000 Lee St. (on the second Floor), Greenville, TX and at 7:00pm, the open meeting will begin.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm with a motion by Mitch and second motion by Bryan the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pat Perry Martinez  
TCOPA Secretary  
Roanoke-COP/RCPAAA

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