

POLICE OFFICER'S ASSOCIATION OF NEBRASKA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
NEBRASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER
GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

APRIL 9, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bruce Felty, Ike Brown, Jim Peschong, Andy Backman, Don Dreyer, Kim Christensen, Andrea Towler and Bill Larsen.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeff Elliott, Kurt Bottorff and Steve Heide.

President Dreyer called the meeting to order at 1205 hours.

MINUTES: Minutes from the January 22, 2009 meeting were presented. Bruce Felty made a motion to approve the minutes. Ike Brown provided a second. Motion was approved by voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer's report was presented. Jim Peschong made a motion to accept the report. Ike Brown provided a second. Motion was approved by voice vote..

OLD BUSINESS:

- **MEMBERSHIP:** Bruce Felty initiated a discussion regarding membership definitions. Discussion resulted in Bruce Felty making a motion to add Part-time Officer to Associate Full Member and add that to the Death Benefits. Jim Peschong provided a second. Motion was approved by voice vote. A draft of the change to the Constitution and By-laws will be brought to the next Board Meeting.
- **BROCHURES:** Bruce will take some photos and bring back to the next meeting.
- **NEBRASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL:** Sheriff Joe Yocum made a presentation regarding the Dedication of the Memorial on May 11, 2009. He indicated the Fund was approximately \$30,000.00 short of having enough to pay all bills. Discussion resulted with Kim Christensen making a motion for POAN to contribute another \$10,000.00, with further discussion closer to the Dedication and contribute more if needed. Andrea Towler provided a second. Discussion resulted with Ike Brown making an amendment to the original motion to increase the contribution to \$20,000.00. Bruce Felty provided a second to the amended motion. Motion was approved by voice vote.
- **RETIREMENT BILL:** President Dreyer, Jim Peschong and Kim Christensen updated the Board on the status of the retirement bill. The Bill is still in Committee. Biggest issue is allowing the contributions to not be held against the lid.
- **HANDBOOKS:** New handbooks are in, will bring one to the next Board meeting.
- **VICTIM COALITION:** LB507. Domestic Violation Coordination Committee. Discussion occurred.
- **LB409:** Bill to protect K-9's. Discussion resulted in a decision to support this bill.

NEW BUSINESS:

- AVECTRA: President Dreyer presented a letter. Discussion resulted in no recommendation.
- TELEMARKETING ON WEBSITE: President Dreyer and Jim Peschong presented information regarding this topic. Discussion was about putting information on our website. Jim reported that we have two promoters: Midwest Response who conducts a residential program and Xentel who does contact businesses.
- SPECIAL OLYMPICS: President Dreyer reported he received a letter from Col. Tuma inquiring about POAN contributing to the Special Olympics. It was explained that we contribute \$5,000.00 each year.
- ESSAY CONTEST: Andrea Towler presented essays from each District. The Grand Prize Winner was Stormy Polfus(Hoover) from Crete, NE.(See attachment)
- MULE: President Dreyer presented a request for support of continued funding for the MULE program. He will send a letter of support.
- BOARD RESIGNATION: President Dreyer presented a communication from Steve Heide indicating when he ran for the Board he did not fully realize some of the issues involving his current work assignment and was indicating he was going to have to resign his position. Discussion occurred which resulted in a motion by Jim Peschong to contact Ed Burmood, Hastings PD and see if he would be willing/able to complete the remainder of Steve Heide's term. Bruce Felty provided a second. Motion was approved by voice vote.(Ed was subsequently contacted and indicated he was willing to complete the unfulfilled term)

President Dreyer asked if anyone had any other business, or anything else for the good of the order. Nothing else was presented.

Jim Peschong made a motion to adjourn. Ike Brown provided a second. Motion was approved by voice vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 1435.

Respectfully submitted,

William H. Larsen

Secretary/Treasurer