Tuesday, June 9, 2015 – APA Conference Room – 1:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Minutes

- Meeting Called to Order Chair Gena Curtis Presiding
- 2) Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum As per Article III, Section 8 of the Austin Cops for Charities bylaws, at any meeting of the Austin Cops for Charities Board of Trustees, a quorum shall require three of the seven board members present. There were six board members present and one board member absent therefore a quorum was present at this meeting

Approval of Minutes

June 9, 2015 Monthly Austin Cops for Charities Board Meeting Minutes

Hank Aguilar moved to accept the April 14th, 2015 minutes as presented. A second came from Kelly Davenport. Motion was voted on, and passed unanimously.

4) Treasurer's Report

Austin C4C YTD Financial Reports were reported to the C4C Board by Treasurer Val Escobar.

5) Discussion and/or Approval

- a. *Memorial Day Flood victims*. Discussion on specific APD flood victims, both sworn and civilian. The discussion initially led to the broader issue best practices. As a charitable organization, can we equitably and compassionately tailor our response to those with immediate or long-term needs after a catastrophic event?
 - i. Mayor Leffingwell suggested there be a set amount of \$500.00 or \$1000.00, for instance, given immediately to those who have been affected. Val Escobar added that in the past, gift cards were issued for a specified amount and that this was best practice to avoid having to issue a 10-99 to the recipients later.
 - ii. Others in the group agreed that criteria for continued assistance, may involve criteria similar to vetting other charity requests, such as when continued assistance for critical needs not covered by insurance claim or FEMA. Or, when the immediate needs of a particular person are uniquely critical and the gift card is not enough. These decisions to give above and beyond will be left to the discretion of Chair Gena Curtis and Treasurer Val Escobar.
 - iii. The Board decided that the amount to be given to victims of catastrophic events immediately, in the form of a gift card, should be \$1000.00.
 - iv. The Board then identified all Memorial Day Flood victims known to them, and agreed that the following persons, known to the Board, should receive \$1000.00 in assistance:
 - 1. Nathan Robinson
 - 2. Brandon Bosworth
 - 3. John Buell
 - 4. Gena Curtis*

v. Vote:

Brent Kelly brought up the fact that Gena Curtis was also a victim of this flood, and had sustained substantial damage. Mayor Leffingwell moved to provide immediate financial assistance in the amount of \$1000.00 to victims of such events, including the 2015 Memorial Day Flood. *Brent Kelly amended the motion to include Gena Curtis on the list of flood victims to receive C4C financial assistance. A second came from Mayor Leffingwell. The motion was voted on, with Chair Gena Curtis abstaining, and passed unanimously.

- b. *Paul Johnson Fund Raiser.* Discussion. \$17,735.03 has been collected, to date. Check for this amount has already been given to the APA President. More funds have come in, and this is set to end 7-15-15. Paul Johnson's wife has already received \$34,000.00 from the payroll deduction contributions.
- c. *Michael Youngs*. Payroll deduction contributions were placed in a trust until a Probate Court decides on the benefactor. C4C paid travel expenses for two "escort officers' and the APA paid expenses of four shift mates so all could attend the funeral. Sgt. Smyth called with an update upon their return to inform Lt. Curtis that the parents were so moved by the presence and support of their son's fellow officers that they plan to re-write their will to donate 50% of their estate to C4C.

- d. "Dancing with the Stars" December 6, 2015 to benefit the Center for Child Protection. Every year, C4C has been a sponsor. In the past C4C has donated \$3000.00. Brent Kelly moved to purchase the "Cha Cha" sponsorship for \$3000.00. A second came from Johnny Washington. The motion was voted on, and passed unanimously.
- e. 25th Annual "For the Children Campaign" to benefit the Jaime Padron Elementary and other local schools, is hosted by HEB. This organization is asking for \$2415.00 this year for a "Crayon Club Sponsorship." Every year, for the past four years, C4C has been a \$2000.00 sponsor, but the student populations have grown. C4C discussed the fact that the school population continues to grow throughout the school year, relative to the growth of the Austin area population. Kelly Davenport moved to donate \$3000.00 to meet their request and provide a buffer for mid-year growth. A second came from Johnny Washington. The motion was voted on, and passed unanimously.
- f. Central Texas Badgers Youth Club Sports has requested a sponsorship donation from C4C. A Silver Sponsorship consists of a donation of \$500.00 to \$1499.00, and includes logo display on their website or "run thru" banner, and an appreciation plaque. Mayor Leffingwell moved to donate \$1000.00 for a Silver Sponsorship. A second came from Kelly Davenport. The motion was voted on, and passed unanimously. Val Escobar was not present for this vote.
- g. *Communities In Schools of Central Texas* has requested a sponsorship donation from C4C for their 20th annual *Food For Thought Tasting Event* September 21, 2015. Sponsor levels range from \$2000.00 to \$35,000.00. Mayor Leffingwell moved to donate \$3000.00 for the "Middle School" Sponsorship. A second came from Kelly Davenport. The motion was voted on, and passed unanimously. Val Escobar was not present for this vote. Website link: http://www.ciscentraltexas.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/Food-for-Thought-Sponsorships-2015.pdf
- h. Mayor Leffingwell spoke of an organization in Austin by the name of **Honor Flight**. This organization takes war veterans to tour Washington D.C. There are 6 to 8 flights to D.C. per year. It is run by **volunteers** who work for the *Austin Veteran Officer Administration* and **thrives on donations**. Adam Bergeron is the primary contact for the local organization.
- i. **Impact Now** Austin area Dove Springs Neighborhood Association. This program services families in this neighborhood by supplying them with food, especially at the end of the month when money is low. George Morales, who is a board member of his non-profit organization, has requested a donation of between \$500.00 and \$1000.00, which would allow the group to feed up to 30 families for the next two months. This organization also has a free after-school program for children whose parents cannot put them in other organized programs. Contact: George Morales 512-565-6976. C4C discussed this request and it was **tabled without objection** until a later meeting.
- j. *SafePlace* Luncheon October 8, 2015. The "Shiny Sponsorship" for \$1500.00 was recommended, and the board discussed increasing donations each year in the future. Brent Kelly moved to donate \$1500.00 for the Shiny Sponsorship. A second came from Hank Aguilar. The motion was voted on, and passed unanimously. Val Escobar was not present for this vote.
- k. Heal in Comfort 4 a Change 6th annual "Be Brave Benefit" October 18, 2015 at The Oasis restaurant. The founder of Heal In Comfort 4 a Change, who designs and donates special shirts for cancer survivors, hosts this annual fund raiser. She has requested a sponsorship from C4C. Johnny Washington moved to donate \$3500.00 for 3rd tier sponsorship (based on document on hand). A second came from Kelly Davenport. The motion was voted on, and passed unanimously. Val Escobar was not present for this vote. Website: http://www.forheartssake.org/sponsorships-available.html
- I. Austin Child Guidance Center 4th annual "Austin Originals" Concert on September 26, 2015. C4C has already purchased a "Silver" sponsorship in support for \$2500.00. Gena Curtis will email information about their donation request before the next meeting.

6. Old/New Business

a. New Business Discussed

 C4C Bylaws are going to be amended by APA board member Jim Beck after vague or inaccurate wording solicited requests for assistance from some in law enforcement, but not APD employees. A full review of all C4C bylaws will also take place.

b. Old Business Discussed

- 1) Johnny Washington: Jaime Padron Golf Tournament Planning Meeting scheduled for Monday, June 15, 2015 from 12:00pm to 2:30pm at the APA Office conference room.
 - o Jesse Prado will offer his photography services for the same reduced rate as offered in 2014.
 - o Ice will also be donated, as it was the year before, but it requires pick up.
- 2) Andrew Romero visited the board meeting to convey appreciation on behalf of the APA for C4C's financial support of the 2015 APD Awards Ceremony held in May. APA raised \$77,000.00, which covered costs and learned a great deal this year about how to host the event with a profit in the future. APA is considering hiring a fund raising consultant.
- 3) Ainsley Pircher fundraiser. Has ended but continues to accept donations above the check amount for the next two APA general membership meetings. The check still needs to be presented to the family by the Chief, and the plan is to

present it at one of the next two general membership meetings, but there are scheduling conflicts with the Chief's schedule on those dates. Gena Curtis or Val Escobar will discuss the best date to present the check with Anna Sabana. Chief Gay is available to present the check on July 2nd, 2015, and this may be the option chosen.

c. Interim Business Discussed and/or Approved via email

- 1) African American Youth Harvest Foundation (AAYHF) for their Cannes Film Festival trip. April 16, 2015 email. A. \$1500 sponsorship suggested. Johnny Washington moved to donate \$1500.00. A second came from Brent Kelly. The motion was voted on, and passed unanimously via email.
- 2) Gena Curtis emailed board members May 11, 2015 to advise the May 12, 2015 C4C Board Meeting cancelled.
- 3) *Blue Guardians*. April 28, 2015 Chief Robledo requested a donation toward this organization for the *Helping Hand Home Blue Guardian training* session to be held May 13, 2015. This purchased lunch for 24 attendees. Brent Kelly moved to donate the money to cover the cost. A second came from Hank Aguilar. The motion was voted on via email, and passed. Subsequently the cost of the lunch was \$259.54.
- 4) Austin Fire and EMS Battle of the Boots, Badges & Bandages 2015. May 26, 2015 email requested a \$250.00 donation from C4C for the event. Mayor Leffingwell moved to donate \$250.00. A second came from Brent Kelly. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously via email. Kelly Davenport abstaining, on vacation.
- 5) APD Officer Michael Youngs funeral in Indiana. June 1, 2015 email requesting financial assistance to send two APD Officers to escort the decedent to Indiana for his funeral, and to attend the funeral in support of the officer and his parents. Mayor Leffingwell moved to donate \$2000.00 to cover travel costs for two officers. A second came from Hank Aguilar. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously via email.
- 6) APD Dispatcher Brandon Robinson. June 2, 2015 email. Robinson lost one of his vehicles at his home in San Marcos, during the Memorial Day Flood and he has had difficulty covering all expenses. A request was made on his behalf for C4C to help pay his electric bill. Val Escobar moved to pay the bill of \$149.57. A second came from Brent Kelly. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously via email.

Austin Cops for Charities Board of Trustees Roster

1	Gena Curtis	Chairman	Present
3	Kelly Davenport	Recorder	Present
4	Valencia Escobar	Treasurer	Present
5	Brent Kelly	Board Member	Present
6	Johnny Washington	Board Member	Present
7.	Hank Aguilar	Board Member	Present
8.	Lee Leffingwell,	Board Member	Present

Other quest(s) in attendance:

Andrew Romero

^{*}Next Austin Cops for Charities Monthly Board Meeting is July 14, 2015