

**TEXAS MARSHAL ASSOCIATION**  
**EMERGENCY MEETING**

**Saturday April 07, 2007 @ 1pm**  
**Ryan's Steak House**  
**301 S. Valley Mills Dr Waco, Texas 76710**

**COLLECT MEMBERSHIP DUES:**

New Members - Aubrey Kirk / Cedar Hill Deputy Marshal  
Jack Wallace / Cedar Hill Deputy Marshal

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Tommy White - Sergeant of Arms chaired the meeting. The emergency meeting was called in response to issues that have surfaced within the Texas Marshal Association and that if not addressed immediately would be devastating and possibly terminal for the Association's future. Some of the Issues that were addressed is the lack of communication between all members and lack of communication between officers of the association, TCLEOSE training hours not received from last years conference and a need to alter the direction the association is going.

**READING OF MINUTES:** Since the Association Secretary Tim Rich from McKinney was not able to attend Tommy White - Sergeant of Arms recounted the events of the June 27, 2006 Board of Directors meeting that was held at the TMCEC conference in College Station, there were eight board members present. The members discussed the 2007 conference, the treasurer's position and membership dues. Charlie Rogers retired and decided to step down as treasurer and the board appointed James Oswalt from Lubbock to fill the unexpired term.

The board also voted on and passed that the 2007 Conference would be held in Conroe, Texas at the Del Lago resort and conference center on March 25-29, 2007.

The board also voted on and passed that the membership dues of \$ 60.00 per member would remain the same but the membership term would change from calendar year to fiscal year, this meaning that the membership period is from October 01 - September 30th of each year.

**OFFICERS REPORTS:** There was an issue with members who attended last year's annual conference and did not receive their 28 hours TCLEOSE training credit. Joe Baxter - Region 7 Director from Palestine has been in contact with Frank Woodall with TCLEOSE who explained to him how each person who attended the conference can obtain their 28 TCLEOSE training hours.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The original Texas Marshal Association Annual Conference set for March 25-29, 2007 at the Delago Resort and Conference center closed its door for business and the board had to choose another location and date for the annual conference. It was set for April 22-25, 2007 at the Courtyard Marriott - Central in Austin, Texas and had to be cancelled due to the lack of credit of TCLEOSE training hours from last years conference. As well as registration forms not being sent out to members with enough time before the current conference date so that members could make arraignments to obtain funds from their cities. Tommy White contacted Shawna Willis Sales Manager on Friday April 06, 2007 and advised her of this and she has agreed to release the association from the contract at no cost.

Tommy White received an email Thursday April 05, 2007 from Tony Wooley - Vice President of the association the he has resigned his position with the association, due to his recent changes in employment and limited free time. The unexpired term of Vice-President will be filled today along with elections for President and Treasurer.

**GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:** Joe Baxter, Tommy White and several other members have been discussing issues within the association that they felt needed to be addressed and have suggested some ideas that they believe will help to rebuild the association.

Communications or the lack thereof, within the association, surfaced as the biggest problem. Members' were not being kept informed which was the responsibility of one person and proved to be too great for any one person to handle. It was concluded that if more members had a part in the decision making process of the association there would be seen a broader range of ideas from different points of view along with more fellowship among members. This would allow them to truly feel good about being part of this association and by spreading the responsibilities out, it will give the officers more time to promote the association. Officers should now give a response within 3 business days of receiving an email from members.

It was suggested that the association create several committees, each committee would consist of 3 members (preferably not officers of the association), and a member may participate in more than one committee. Each committee would report to the Vice President of the association.

Training Committee: A training committee would be responsible for the oversight of all training courses, maintaining a list of certified instructors within the

association, as well as insuring that TCLEOSE credit is received and the monitoring of all training costs. This committee would also research the cost effectiveness and advantages of holding conferences, possibly with the Texas Municipal Court Association training conference, in an attempt to defray costs.

Conference Committee: The Conference Committee would be responsible for planning the annual conference - researching locations, hotels, meeting rooms, food cost and seeking donations for door prizes.

Website Committee: The Website Committee would be responsible for maintaining the Texas Marshal Association Website, Posting all notices and events, updating members, email addresses and researching the cost of adding a member's area so that all members can post events, questions, etc... to the website.

Promotion Committee: The Promotion Committee would be responsible for maintaining and selling promotional items such as shirts, cups, etc... and to research new items that may be beneficial to the association.

Joe Baxter explained the process for obtaining TCLEOSE credit to members at the meeting and will be contacting the remaining members who attended last year's conference to show them how to obtain credit.

**VOTE ON CONFERENCE DATE:** The new conference date was tabled so that the new conference committee and training committee could have time meet and work out the details. The new dates and location for the Texas Marshal Annual Conference will be determined within the next month and will be posted on the Texas Marshal Association Website along with emails to all members.

## **NOMINATIONS**

PRESIDENT:

**Tommy White**  
Joe Baxter

TREASURER:

**James Oswalt**

VICE PRESIDENT:  
(To fill unexpired term)

**Joe Baxter**  
John Morris

SERGEANT OF ARMS:  
(To fill unexpired term)

**John Morris**

**ELECTIONS RESULTS:**

President: Tommy White - North Richland Hills

Treasure: James Oswalt - Lubbock

Vice President: Joe Baxter - Palestine (To fill remaining unexpired term)

Sergeant of Arms: John Morris - Duncanville (To fill remaining unexpired term)

REGION DIRECTORS

REGION 1	<b>Leland Herron / Cedar Hill</b>
REGION 2	T.Jeri Carpenter / Magnolia
REGION 3	Vacant
REGION 4	Randy Leverich
REGION 5	James Oswalt / Lubbock
REGION 6	Edward Anderson / Georgetown
REGION 7	Joe Baxter / Palestine

Several members were appointed to fill the new committees listed below.

**Training Committee:**     **John Morris / Duncanville**  
                                  **T.Jeri Carpenter / Magnolia**  
                                  **John Calvillo / Duncanville**

**Conference Committee:** **Ed Anderson / Georgetown**  
                                  **Eddie Lack / Palestine**  
                                  **John Calvillo / Duncanville**

**Website Committee:**   **T.Jeri Carpenter / Magnolia**  
                                  **John Calvillo / Duncanville**

**Promotion Committee:** **Leland Herron / Cedar Hill**  
                                  **Aubrey Kurk / Cedar Hill**

**MEETING ATTENDEES:**

Tommy White / North Richland Hills  
John Morris / Duncanville  
John Calvillo / Duncanville  
Edward Anderson / Georgetown  
Joe Baxter / Palestine  
Eddie Lack / Palestine  
T. Jeri Carpenter / Magnolia  
Leland Herron / Cedar Hill