

***SAN ANTONIO FIRE AND POLICE  
PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION MINUTES  
OF  
August 09, 2011  
By Earnest D. Gay, Recording Secretary***

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM by Vice President James Baer

**OPENING CEREMONIES**

Our invocation was lead by Rev. Smoot, which was followed by our Sergeant at arms, Jose Flores, leading the members in reciting the pledge of allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

There were 6 board members present for the August 2011 meeting.

President	Mike Trainer - excused
Vice President	James Baer – present
Recording Secretary	Earnest Gay - present
Treasurer	Jo Ann Dickinson – present
Corresponding Secretary Fire	Sabino Briseno - present
Corresponding Secretary Police	Bill Turner - excused
Sergeant at arms	Joe Flores Sr – present
Parliamentarian – appointed	Mary Holub -- present

Vice President Baer broke from the regular order of business and went with the Secretary's report as our speaker had not yet arrived.

**REPORTS of OFFICERS**

**Recording Secretary**

The minutes of the July12, 2011 meeting were read by me. There was one duplication error that was corrected.

**SPEAKER OF THE MONTH**

After the minutes were read, Vice President Baer introduced our guest speaker, Anita Fuller of RENNERTTRAVEL. Anita gave her presentation on the use of travel agents to book vacations, cruises and business trips and she gave her explanation on how it usually does not cost any more to book with an agent than booking yourself and how an agent can save you the time in making your reservations. The fees collected by the agents are paid as commissions to the agents by the providers and not the customer. Anita left several pamphlets and brochures for our members to take.

### **Treasurer**

Jo Ann reported that we had net income for July of \$492.34. Our balance sheet shows we have total assets of \$62,221.80. The Fidelity account was at \$6,296.86

### **Corresponding Secretary – Fire**

Breezy reported that he sent out 5 sympathy cards and 3 get well cards during the previous month. Breezy also sent out 2 invitations to join the association.

[Breezy's report is attached.](#)

### **Corresponding Secretary – Police**

Bill was excused for the August meeting due to illness. I gave Bills report that showed he sent out 3 get well cards and 2 sympathy cards during the previous month. Bill did not get the retiree information until the day of the meeting so his invitations to join will appear next month. [Bills Report is attached.](#)

## **REPORTS of COMMITTEES**

### **Pension Fund Committee**

Warren Schott gave the Pension report as both of the retiree trustees were at the TEXpers seminar. Warren reported that the fund was at 2.034 billion which is down from last month but we are still at a +6% YTD growth in the fund. Warren also noted that our benchmark is now 7.75% instead of the 8% we have had in the past.

### **President**

Vice President Baer reminded everyone that the upcoming luncheon will be on October 12 this year. James also reminded us that the membership will need to appoint a nomination committee next month and that the November meeting will be our annual Insurance meeting and that the city will be present with the enrollment information and 2012 rates for the pre 89ers.

James noted that our President will give a report on public pensions at the next meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

I gave a presentation on a possible by law change that may be presented at the September meeting that involves the length of terms and the staggering of offices to prevent a total turnover of the board in any given year.

There was discussion from the floor about the fire museum's upcoming Gala to be held September 9<sup>th</sup> and the tables were \$1500 each. Carlos Resendez announced this event earlier in the meeting but had to leave. Jo Ann advised that the event was not to the benefit of all the members and we may not be able to participate financially due to our tax status. I asked if the final debt that was owed to the architects was still an issue and it was confirmed that debt was still an issue and was part of the reason for the fundraiser. After several minutes of discussion no decision was made on the fund raiser. The Fish City Grill will donate some of their totals on a Tuesday in October to the Museum. This will be on October 4<sup>th</sup> for those in the area that would like to help out.

### **DOOR PRIZES**

There were 46 in attendance for the August meeting and we awarded 6 door prizes of \$10 each to six of the members present. There was also a tote bag donated by our speaker in addition to the cash prizes. The winners of the door prizes were Marsha Scott, Rose Martinez, Gloria Ehrlich, F. L. Whitley, Alice Juarez, Rudolph Puzon and Diana Gay who won the tote.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

After the door prizes were given, Vice President Baer adjourned the meeting without opposition.