

# Houston Gulf Coast Alarm Association Minutes of HGCAA Meeting & Luncheon 02/14/2019

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Meeting called to order at 11:47 29 attendees

#### 2017-2018 HGCAA Officers / Directors:

President – Van Mayorga Vice President – John Helweg Secretary – Mary Edmonson Treasurer – Penny Mayorga Sergeant at Arms – Amanda Jackson Membership Director – Dennis White Parliamentarian – Calvin Stewart Education Director – Tina Turner Editor – Jennifer Lambert General / Regional Director – Dennis White

### **Standard Business:**

Benediction/Pledge – Benediction by Calvin Stewart. Pledge by Van Mayorga Roll call of Officers – not in attendance: Vice Pres – Quorum met based on paid membership Recognized associate members in attendance.

Recognized Special Guests

January Meeting Minutes –Motion made by Amanda Jackson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clint Fagg – motion carries January Treasurers Report – Combined account balance is \$32,794 with 58 Members at the moment. Motion made by Kelly Ryan & second Calvin Stewart – Motion Carries

### Director's Reports, Committee Reports, & Old Business/Discussion

**DPS Meeting** – Debi gave update. Next meeting Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. License Co in Texas – 6,414 and 153,910 licensed individuals. Final Disciplinary actions - Denials 329, 10 fines collected, Suspensions 554, Revocations 29, Complaints Received 157. Meuller is looking for input on what goes good and bad in our industry.

TBFAA Update – HB 538 submitted by Murphy out of Houston and deals with the Villages area in Houston. This would allow those cities to get into the monitoring industry. Applies to counties less than 80K. This would be similar to West University. We will be asking members to make calls starting with his constituents. HB 1141 anything greater than 50volts and 2amps to be classified that you would no longer need a license to install. Will affect access control, burg and fire. Would require electrician for over 2amp. TBFAA NOW OFFERS ON LINE TRAINING! Check out the TBFAA website for all the information. Consolidated Insurance is looking to start an insurance pool. They are investigating to see if they can put together a plan for our group. They may be calling members to do quick survey (don't ignore their calls). Convention - Looking for suggestions on classes.

Region 3 update – Great Mixer in RGV in Jan.

#### **New Business:**

City of Houston has sent draft of new ordinance. Will be available on our website

## Guest Speaker: Mitch Reitman w/Reitman Consulting on Classifying Employees

IRS thinks 60% of employers are misclassifying employees
Identify Employee vs Private contractor – Degree of control over that person
30% of alarm industry people are incorrectly classified as independent contractors
High number of 1099's will trigger IRS to check it out
Voluntary Classification Program

### **Raffles:** Larger prize first except the PAC Fund:

\$25 Target (HGCAA) - Calvin Stewart
 \$25 Outback (HGCAA) - Brian Turner
 \$25 Academy (HGCAA) - Rick Strickland
 \$25 Amazon (HGCAA) - Debi Ulmer

• \$25 Landry's (Southwest Dispatch) – Russ Van Sickle

• \$25 Academy (UCC) – Mark Dawson \$25 Bass Pro & Cash CD (DMP) – Tony Randall

• \$25 Outback (Tutor) – Tina Turner PAC FUND \$145 \$72/\$73 – Amanda Jackson