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### Quorum is (10) Voting Members at Regular Meeting

The 879 meeting of the SNCA was held on June 7, 2023 at Rocking A Café hosted by Indorama.

President Ocnaschek called the meeting to order at 10:11 AM.

Mark Czerwiec (Valero) led the membership in an invocation followed by Tommy Sheldon (Goodyear) leading the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Board members excused, Matt Dulaney (HCESD#6), Terry Morton (Nederland FD), Tommy Wells (Energy Transfer), Scott McDonald (BASF), Sparky Robinson (Orange PD), Sharon Whitley (HCHD)

#### HOST WELCOME

President Ocnaschek recognized Chief Brandon Pippen, Indorama who welcomed the SNCA membership.

Members commenced with self-introductions.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

President Ocnaschek asked for approval of the May 2023 Meeting Minutes sent out via email and asked if there were any corrections, there were none. President Ocnaschek then asked for a motion to accept the Minutes as written. Stephanie Garcia (AEMS) made a motion to accept the Minutes as written and seconded by Louie Havens (PAFD), there were no opposition to the motion, motion passed.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

There was no correspondence

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

President Ocnaschek called on Secretary/Treasurer Chris Gonzales (JCESD#1) to review the Financial Report with the membership.

Current Checking Balance	\$73,802.04
PayPal	\$16,898.00
CD #2	\$ 5,187.03
Combined Funding Balance	\$95,887.03

President Ocnaschek then asked for approval of the Treasurer’s Report as read. A motion was made by Louie Havens (PAFD) to accept the Treasurer’s Report as read and seconded by Michael Fratus (PAPD), there were no opposition to the motion, motion passed.

Secretary/Treasurer Gonzales reviewed the current membership dues status, first telling the membership there is only a few organizations left that are outstanding on their 2023 dues and still working to resolve. Sec/Tres thanked all who worked with him to get their organizations current.

Membership dues status:

    Paid/Exempt – 134

    Not Paid – 3

*Updated 6/7/23*

**OLD BUSINESS:**

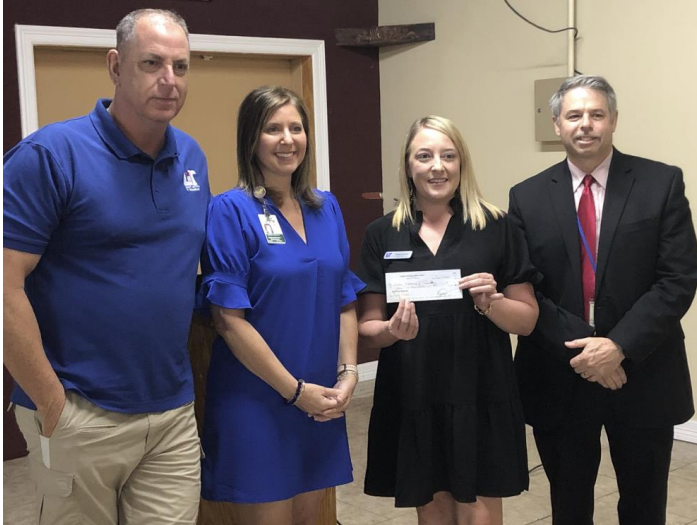
- No old business to discuss

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Chairperson Garsea reviewed the financials of the golf tournament April golf tournament. Chair Garsea said although the proceeds were approximately \$30.00 less than 2022, the tournament was a success with lots of food and fun for all the participants. Chair
- Garsea told the membership with all bills paid the sum from the golf tournament came to a total of \$12,077.87. President Ocnaschek recognized Chair Garsea for all her hard work to make the golf tournament a success. A well-deserved round of applauds by the membership was given in response to his comments.
- President Ocnaschek then told the membership that an E-vote was sent to the Board of Directors on May 30<sup>th</sup> recommending that an additional \$2,922.13 from the association’s funds be added to the golf proceeds to support a \$15,000.00 donation to LIT for scholarships for the Public Safety academies. This recommendation was approved by the Board and President Ocnaschek then asked for a motion to be approved by the membership. A motion

was made by Ricky Bodin (OCESD#2) and seconded by Louie Havens (PAFD) to support the additional \$2,922.13. There was not opposition to the motion, motion passed.

- A check presentation was then made to LIT for the \$15,000.00 for scholarships. Accepting the check on behalf of LIT was Krista Hunter and John Randall who were much appreciative of the donation.



Presentation of SNCA Golf Tournament check to LIT  
(L-R John Randall-LIT, Stephanie Garsea-Golf Tournament Chair, Krista Hunter-LIT, Tim Ocnaschek-SNCA President)

**E-VOTE:** - There was an E-vote sent to the Board on May 30<sup>th</sup> (see New Business)

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Mark Czerwiec (Valero) announced there will be a meeting of the Area Maritime Security – FSO/VSO sub-committee on 21-June, at 10 AM – 12 PM, at the Industrial Safety Training Council (ISTC) facility in Beaumont. Contact Mark Czerwiec if you are not on the mailing list for this group, and would like to be included.

**RECENT EMERGENCIES/ ISSUES:** It was verified there was no media in the room.  
SNCA Activations YTD - 25

**Industry:** None reported

**Municipal Fire:** None reported

**Law Enforcement:**

**EMS:** None reported

**Health:** None reported

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE** – Matt Dulaney - Chairperson

Absent

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:** Bryan Markland - Chairperson  
Absent

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS:** Steve Curren – Chairperson  
Absent

**WEBSITE:** Stephanie Garsea – Chairperson - A list of items is being submitted to Jux monthly that are right at 2 hours of work, which is what we are contracted for monthly. We are getting close to catching up some of the old missing items and hope to begin to do some redesigning, etc. The Anniversary Committee will also begin working on this soon to work on a redesign.

**MARINE FIREFIGHTING, SALVAGE, AND RECOVERY COMMITTEE:** Louie Havens - Chairperson – Nothing to report

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Eloy Vega – Chairperson –  
Chair Vega stated that there has been an increased participation in the weekly SNCA radio communication check-in. Please keep up the good work and continue to check in weekly. Chair Vega also reported The Southeast Texas Regional Planning Commission is coordinating the recent update to the State Radio Interoperability Communication Plan, which addresses the development of the current RICP to determine where the regional counties currently stand with planning for public safety interoperable voice and data communication systems and associated funding. The communications committee will continue to represent the SNCA process and keep members informed.

**INVENTORY/DATABASE:** Pat Grimes – Chairperson  
Chair Grimes reminded the membership to

- Review your agency’s inventory on a regular basis. Remember to add your new equipment and delete equipment as necessary.
- Continue to email your mutual aid responses to [sabinenecheschiefsassn@gmail.com](mailto:sabinenecheschiefsassn@gmail.com) , including your automatic aid events.
- Let Chair Grimes know if you are not receiving email or text messages from the SNCA. Meeting reminders and other communications are sent out via the database information.
- Let Chair Grimes know if your primary or alternate member changes and anytime your agency name changes. It’s important to keep the database as up to date as possible.

**TRAINING & EDUCATION:** Shaqueena Nobles - Chairperson  
Jeff Phillips (JCEM) provided several training opportunities:  
June/July Training:

- Disaster Finance Class 6/7-8/2023 Orange Expo Ctr
- NIMS 300/400 6/14-16/2023 at Bmt EOC (*Sign Up at PreparingTexas.org*)
- MGT 381 Business Continuity Planning 6/21/2023 Jasper OEM (*See Attached Flyer*)

- ETN Training 6/21/2023 Orange Expo Ctr. (*Just show up - 10am-12pm*)
- Security Officer/Vessel Security Officer Meeting 6/21/2023 ISTC (*Just Show Up - not sure of the time*)
- L-449 ICS Train the Trainer 6/26-30/2023 Beaumont EOC (*Sign Up at PreparingTexas.org*)
- 1-970 Supply Unit Leader 7/10-14/2023 Beaumont EOC(*Sign Up at PreparingTexas.org*)
- *Rail Car Response Class - Working on getting it scheduled.*

**HOMELAND SECURITY:** Jeremy Hansen – Chairperson  
Absent

**AWARDS COMMITTEE:** Stephanie Garsea - Chairperson

This is an opportunity to recognize a fellow SNCA member who has gone above and beyond in our organization or community. We will officially begin soliciting nominations in August and continue until September but I can take them at any time; The Board will review in October and awards given at Boss Night in December. Please get with Stephanie if you want a nomination form.

**GOLF TOURNAMEN:** Stephanie Garsea – Chairperson - What a wonderful event it was! We had 40 teams pay, 30-hole sponsors and many sponsors of food/prizes/beverages. Thank you to all who supported this event. Below are the financials. In summary, we had a good year; our Income was slightly higher than last year but our expenses were a bit more; we still ended with a positive number:

Golf Tournament Gross Income: \$20,054.70

Expenses: 8,011.21

**Net Income: \$12,043.49**

2023 SNCA Golf Tournament Financials				2022 SNCA Golf Tournament Financials			
<b>Income:</b>	Teams	40 * \$300	\$12,000.00	<b>Income:</b>	Teams	41 * \$300	\$12,300.00
	Individuals	0	\$0.00		Individuals	6 * \$75	\$450.00
	Hole Sponsors	30* \$100	\$3,000.00		Hole Sponsors	24* \$100	\$2,400.00
	Arkema Donation		\$300.00		Arkema Donation		\$600.00
	Christus		\$300.00		ISTC		\$300.00
	Baptist Hospitals of SETX		\$300.00		Baptist Hospitals of SETX		\$400.00
	Goodyear		\$300.00		Pay to Advance		\$605.00
	Energy Transfer		\$500.00		Raffle		\$705.00
	The Medical Center of SETX		\$300.00		Mulligans		\$700.00
	Misc Donations Via Paypal - Mulligans, Pay to Advance, Raffle		\$150.00		Misc Donations		\$0.00
	Pay to Advance		\$610.00		Del Papa Donation		\$271.06
	Mulligans		\$820.00		<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$18,731.06</b>
	Raffle Item Ticket Sales		\$500.00		<b>Expenses:</b>		
	Grand Prize Raffle Ticket Sales		\$680.00		Fast Signs	SG	\$319.08
	Misc Donations		\$10.00		Fast Signs - Add'l	SG	\$16.23
	Del Papa Donation		\$284.70		Academy (Gifts)	SG	\$657.90
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$20,054.70</b>		Items for 2 Raffle Item	SG	\$40.81
<b>Expenses:</b>	Fast Signs	Check Pd	\$354.31		Supplies - Bags tissu	SG	\$10.80
	Academy (Team Prizes, Raffle iter	SG	\$802.44		Table Covers, et	SG	\$23.53
	Supplies for Raffle Items	SG	\$84.36		Golf Course player fees, Beer costs		\$5,321.29
	Supplies - Bags tissue for gifts	SG	\$52.73		Paypal fees		\$263.55
	Table Covers, et	SG	\$20.66		<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$6,653.19</b>
	Golf Course player fees, Beer costs		\$6,076.00		<b>NET INCOME</b>		<b>\$12,077.87</b>
	Cost of Grand Prize	Check to Leadslingers	\$315.00				
	Paypal fees		\$305.71				
	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$8,011.21</b>				
	<b>NET INCOME</b>		<b>\$12,043.49</b>				

\*\*Please save the date for next year's event: Friday, April 26, 2024.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Stephanie Garsea – Chairperson - 75th Anniversary celebration is in the works. Save the date posted! We have booked the Compro Center for Friday Feb 9th; Working on the caterer and other items to finalize budget proposals to be presented to the Board and then membership for approval. Challenge Coins are in the works and much more to come. We would like to invite as many of our honorary members that are able to attend. So please let us know if you have contacts.

**BOSES NIGHT:** David Frenzel - Chairperson  
Nothing to report

**OIL SPILL:** Tommy Wells - Chairperson  
Absent

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM:** Tim Ocnaschek - Chairperson  
Nothing to report

**INDUSTRIAL FIRE & SAFETY:** Scott McDonald – Chairperson  
Absent

**PROGRAM:**  
Chief Pippen provided the membership a look inside the operations of the Indorama facility and the products that are manufactured from the products it produces.

Upcoming 2023 Meeting Host

**TENATIVE HOST SCHEDULE FOR 2023**

Meeting Host 2023	Meeting Number	Meeting Date	Meeting Location
ExxonMobil - Beaumont Complex	874	January 4, 2023	Rockin A Cafe
Solvay Specialty Polymers	875	February 1, 2023	Courville's
Invista	876	March 1, 2023	Rockin A Cafe
Medical Center Southeast Texas	877	April 5, 2023	Medical Center Southeast Texas
West Orange Fire Department	878	May 3, 2023	Robert's Meat Market (Orange)
Indorama Ventures Oxides	879	June 7, 2023	Rockin A Cafe
CHRISTUS Hospital - St. Elizabeth	880	July 5, 2023	Courville's
Lion Elastomers Port Neches- (ISP)(Ashland)	881	August 2, 2023	Rockin A Cafe
OCI	882	September 6, 2023	Courville's
Phillips 66 (Chevron-UGT Pipeline)	883	October 4, 2023	Rockin' A Cafe
Monument Chemicals (KMTEX)	884	November 1, 2023	Rockin' A Cafe
Suez (Water Technologies & Solutions)	885	December 6, 2023	Courville's

NEXT MEETING: The 880th will be July 5, 2023 hosted by St. Elizabeth Hospital scheduled to be held at Courville's.

**ADJOURN:**

President Ocnaschek requested for a motion to adjourn. A made the motion to adjoin was made by Michael Fratus (PAPD) and seconded by Ricky Bodin (OCESD#2). There was no opposition to the motion, motion passed, meeting was adjourned at 10:56AM.

*Tim Ocnaschek*

President

*Tommy Shelton*

Vice President

*Chris Gonzales*

Secretary/Treasurer