Optimist Club of Fort Sam Houston Minutes of Meeting April 18, 2013

President Rick Coleman called the meeting to order. Sarah led us in prayer and Ed led the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members were present:

Y and Sarah Villarreal Ed and Pam Parnell
Jack and Fay Hopkins Russell Shrader
Bob Hogue Dean Wilson

Rick Coleman Lloyd Buckmaster

Jack Kellmann Becky Kuykendall

Letty Dietes

Guests: Hector Cardenas, our speaker from SAFD

Mario Arrellano, also from SAFD

Birthdays were recognized:

Russell Shrader

Marian Fisher Both on April 23rd

Announcements:

Letty announced that Rick had signed the contract for the Magic Show and would be sent to them. She also said we had received 250 tickets for the club to sell. Letty also had 2 Fiesta Medals she donated to the club for a drawing at the end of the meeting.

Rick received a letter from the President of OI. It was to present a pin to Dean Wilson for being a good Optimist and bringing new members into the club.

Texan/Texana program requested funding. The board had already approved this so the funds will be sent to them.

Lloyd Buckmaster asked for funds for Boy's State. We will discuss this at the next board meeting.

Ed Parnell's golf committee will finalize the golf brochure by this weekend. He also reported that the Party at Tracy Chavez' house will be moved from the previous date to May 11. This is so that the members who want to go to the District Meeting will be able to attend both

The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. Fay moved they be approved. Bob Hogue seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

We were entertained with hilarious humor by Letty Dietes and Bob Hogue.

Our speaker was Hector Cardenas from the San Antonio Fire Department. He brought a friend and former colleague with him, Mario Arrellano. Hector presented a Powerpoint presentation on the history of the SAFD. He showed many pictures of the first Fire Department Volunteers, the first firehouses, until the present day department. It was a very interesting program! The new Fire Department Museum will have a soft opening April 19th and the Grand Opening in a couple of weeks. It is located behind the Alamo on Bonham and Houston Streets.

Russell won the drawing--\$16. Jack Kellmann and Bob Hogue won the Fiesta Medals.

Following the Optimist Creed, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Becky Kuykendall