

MINUTES OF THE KENTUCKY FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

JUNE 10, 2006

President Johnson called the meeting to order at 1:15PM. Treasurer Keller gave the Invocation. Secretary Jansing took the attendance. Two guest were present, Ryan Rose of the Flatwoods FD, and Russ Sanders of the NFPA.

Russ Sanders talked about KY adopting the 2006 edition of NFPA 1. This should take place by August 1, 2006 as it is currently in LRC. The NFPA will be conducting three free seminars in various locations around the state. A free copy of NFPA 1 will be given to each fire service personnel who attend the training. The NFPA is also working to increase the residential sprinkler systems. NFPA 13D is the code that addresses residential sprinklers. Mr. Sanders then talked about the Fire Safe Cigarette Act. Five states have adopted legislation requiring the fire safe cigarette papers that contain "speed bumps". If you are not puffing on the cigarette the speed bumps will extinguish the hot ashes. Mr. Sanders stated that discarded cigarettes are the number one cause of fires in the country. He stated that there is a push on to require fire safe cigarettes nation wide. The KFA Executive Board will prepare a resolution to be presented at the upcoming conference in favor of the fire safe cigarettes act.

The minutes of the February 25, 2006 Executive Board meeting were adopted as e-mailed on a motion by Randy Courtney and seconded by Bob Newman.

Report of the President: Allen Johnson reported that he has made numerous trips to Frankfort for meetings. He stated the trip to the Congressional Fire Service Caucus in Washington DC proved to be very informative. They were able to meet with all of the KY delegation except for Senator Mitch McConnell as he was tied up in several meetings. Senator McConnell did send a letter of regrets. President Johnson explained his article in the Smoke Signals talking about his trip to DC and meeting with the various legislators. In no way, did he intend to offend anyone. President Johnson will get in touch with Chief Rick Larkins concerning his article. President Johnson attended three bill signings with the Governor and other fire service personnel present. He also attended several funerals including Bob Hebbeler's funeral.

Vice President Troy Newcomb stated he has been busy working on the 2007 Conference. He attended one funeral and has been working on the Jackson Purchase Fire School. He also handled an issue in his area with Civic Development. The question was asked if we could find out what area of the state Civic Development would be calling at different times. It is unlikely however Treasurer Keller will check with Civic Development.

Vice President John Daley stated that the Hall of Fame committee has met and he will give that report later on. John attended Bob Hebbeler's funeral and he thanked all those

who also attended. John congratulated the fire school committee for the new fire school this year.

Vice President Randy Courtney has attended several funerals and is working on the Pike County Fire School.

Vice President at Large Bob Newman has attended several regional association meetings. He is also working with the Executive Inn on the rooms for the Officer's School in February 2007.

Secretary Jansing stated that the voting delegates and deceased member information has been mailed out to each department. A letter from President Bill Martin of the KY Association of Fire Chief's was read. They are asking for another representative to serve on the Intrastate Mutual Aid Committee in addition to Chief Chuck Dietz of Fort Mitchell and Chief Van Taylor of Scott County. The position was discussed by the E-Board and it was decided that Secretary Jansing would contact Otto Mock of the Camp Taylor FD to see if he would be interested in serving on the Committee representing the KFA. Secretary Jansing reminded the vice presidents to bring a letter of endorse for them to move up to the next office at the annual conference.

Special Events Chairman Charlie Shaw gave a report on his activity. He has been involved in several funerals. Charlie stated that on an average one or two calls are received on the 800-fire line each week. Concerning state fire school the room counts are up. He stated that with the exception of 6 classes all the others are located within the hotel complex. We have 82 booths this year. There are 38 pieces of equipment inside. To date there are 45-46 Sustaining Memberships. For the first time the KY Association of Judges have joined as a KFA Sustaining Member.

Treasurer Keller gave his report. He has handled a couple complaints dealing with the telemarketing. It turned out that it was not Civic Development. Terry provided a detailed financial account of the assets and liabilities of the organization. Dave Jansing made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Troy Newcomb seconded the motion. Motion carried. Troy Newcomb made a motion to allowed Civic Development to send out refrigerator magnets with a fire safety message from the KFA to repeat supporters provided there is no cost to the KFA. Randy Courtney seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Captain Dan Shouse of the Frankfort FD gave an update on the Memorial Committee representing Chief Possich. He had prepared a master list of all names currently on the wall. Captain Shouse and President Johnson, along with a representative of the KPF will meet with Keith Monument to discuss designs and prices for a memorial for those firefighters killed in the line of duty while serving in the military. We will also get up to date prices for the various size pavers and the information will be placed on the KFA WEB site.

Treasurer Keller gave the Scholarship Report for Chairman Paul Billings. John Daley made a motion to sell the original prints to the Fire Commission for \$ 5,000.00 each, for a total of \$ 20,000.00. The payments will be \$ 5,000.00 a year for four years. Dave Jansing seconded the motion. Motion carried. The prints will remain in the Fire Commission office. The ownership of the prints will be turned over to the Fire Commission as each one is purchased.

The Scholarship Committee submitted a written report containing their recommendations for granting new scholarships and the continuation of existing. John Daley made a motion to adopt the committee recommendation. Dave Jansing seconded the motion. Motion carried. Amanda Smith, Brandon Harvey and Chasity Clark will have their scholarships continued provided they submit their current GPA's in a timely manner. New scholarships were approved for Jacob Warren, Ryan Rose, and Kayla Riddle.

Hall of Fame- John Daley announced that eight new nominations were received this year. The committee is recommending the following four individuals for induction at the 2006 Conference. Retired Secretary Don Roberts, Past Presidents Walter Brumfield, Jimmy Cox and Rick Games. Randy Courtney made a motion to accept the committee recommendation. Dave Jansing seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dave Jansing made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues involving contracts. Bob Newman seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Dave Jansing made a motion to come out of executive session. Troy Newcomb seconded the motion.

John Daley made a motion to accept the contract proposal for Woody Will to remain as the Editor of the Smoke Signals and WEB master. Troy Newcomb seconded the motion. The motion carried. President Johnson signed the 2006-2007 contract.

With no further business coming before the KFA executive board, John Daley made a motion to adjourn. Secretary Jansing seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David E. Jansing
Secretary