

KENTUCKY FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2010



President Bobby Cowherd called the meeting to order at 9:00am. Vice President Hulsey gave the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Jansing called the roll.

Guests: Russ Sanders gave an updated NFPA report.

President Gary Yurt of the KY Association of Fire Chiefs addressed the group concerning the possibility of the Chief's Association working together with the KFA in an attempt to increase the membership within both associations. President Cowherd appointed a Committee consisting of Mike Hulsey (CH), Dave Jansing, Charlie Shaw, Jamia Skaggs and John Daley to work with the Chief's Association.

Mike Hulsey made a motion, seconded by Terry Keller to approve the minutes of the fall 2009 E-Board meeting.

Committee Reports:

Pub-Ed: Wanda Isaacs gave a report of the activity of her committee. A written report was given to Secretary Jansing.

Legislative: Gerald Stewart reported on the status of the bills they are following in the session. There was much discussion on the fireworks bill. Chairman Rusty Todd also explained the bill. It was the consensus of the E-Board to leave the home-rule in the bill. Concerning the removal of the 20 cent cap on fire/EMS bill, it was the consensus of the E-Board to go State Wide, not just within Jefferson County. Concerning the question of raising the number of fire district board members it was the consensus of the of the E-Board that eleven members were too many.

State Fire School: Ronnie Day stated the committee meets monthly. Motivational Speaker Carl Hurley will be addressing the students this year.

Memorial: Ronnie Day stated that new concrete seating has been added at the Fallen Firefighter Memorial in Frankfort. He stated that the City of Frankfort performed the work and he added that it looks great.

Advisory: Randy Courtney- No Report

Scholarship: Allen Johnson reported that we currently have two active scholarships. Both will be over this year. The guidelines are on the WEB site. Allen thanked Terry Keller for working with Liberty Mutual Insurance Company to donate \$5.00 for each Home or Auto Policy Quote.

Constitution and By- Laws: Mike Hulsey said the committee will be meeting in June.

Ethics: No Report

PAC: Terry Keller made a motion that was seconded by Bob Newman. The motion carried. Per the dissolution clause in the PAC By-Laws, the \$ 1,120.16 will be divided equally between the Democratic and Republican Party. Bill Robbins and Bill Martin were approached about this prior to the meeting and agreed on the dissolution.

Hall of Fame: John Daley thanked the members of his committee. They will be meeting in June to select 3 or 4 individuals to go into the Hall of Fame this year. John stated that Danny Stuphen has agreed to give a \$1000.00 sponsorship to be used in the purchase of a small medallion for each Hall of Fame inductee. John also stated that he is working to compile a list of all E-Board officers since the founding of the KFA. The existing prior conference books has been researched however there are missing years. If anyone has a conference book from years passed, please contact John. The idea of sealing the prior books and placing them in the History Trailer was discussed. John will work with Mike O'Day Sr., who chairs the History Committee on this project.

Resolutions: No Report

Honor Guard: Troy Newcomb gave the report. There was discussion concerning the uniforms and equipment and how to make it available in areas of the state. Troy was asked to prepare a strict policy and procedures for accountability of the equipment. There are currently 15 uniforms, (2 white & 13 red) on the trailer. They cost \$825.00 per uniform.

Olympics: The Committee is working on allowing the teams to be entered on a regional basis, rather than just by department.

Special Events: No Report at this time.

EMS: Ken Knipper gave a report on behalf of Bill Martin who was unable to attend. Ken stated that EMS day in Washington DC will be coming up in March. He will be attending. The EMS conference will take place in Morehead, April 9th - 11th. The PSOB for EMS is now available.

NVFC: Ken gave a report from the NVFC. A written copy was provided.

Conference Committee: Rick Bobo made a motion that was seconded by Mike Hulseley to adopt the SOG's for the Committee. The motion carried.

Activity Reports of the President, Vice Presidents, & Secretary were given. A written copy of each is on file with the Secretary.

Directors: Bud Lederer of Northern KY reported on the election of Officers of the NKFA and the upcoming Emergency Services School.

Old Business: Mike Hulseley made a motion that was seconded by Sam Stacey to make a donation to the Crusade for Children in memory of Major Terry Cannon of the Buechel Fire Protection District. The motion carried. The E-Board agreed on \$ 100.00 in lieu of sending flowers to the funeral.

President Cowherd announced that Bro. Mac Walls has resigned as Chaplain of the KFA. President Cowherd is exploring several options.

Treasurer Terry Keller explained to the Board that after many hours of research we have signed contracts with two telemarketing companies. The first is Xentel and the other is Outsource 3000. Donations have already arrived from Xentel.

The contracts were explained.

Treasurer Keller stated that the KFA will be receiving a lump sum payment for the KFA prints in October 2013. That amount will be \$27,000.00

All of the Accidental Death & Dismemberment complaints have been addressed.

Ken Knipper provided a copy of the annual NVFC report.

Finance: Proposed SOG's for the Duties of the Treasurer were discussed. Following a lengthy discussion, Mike Hulseley made a motion to accept the proposed SOG's. This was seconded by Bob Newman. Chairman John Wiseman asked that "by the secretary" be stricken. The motion carried.

Receipts for Expenses: Dave Jansing made a motion that the requirement for obtaining receipts, except for the hotel receipts be stricken. Bob Newman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

New Business: Chief Jack Reckner, although now retired, continues to represent the Fire Chief's Association as their lobbyist in Frankfort, working alongside Gerald and Howdy.

In recognition of all of Jack's contributions to the fire service in Kentucky before and after his retirement, President Bobby Cowherd presented him with a Lifetime Membership to the KFA. Congratulations Chief!.

With there being no further business to come before the organization, Mike Hulseley made a motion to adjourn. Dave Jansing seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

The next meeting will be held at the Fire School in June.

Respectfully submitted,

David E. Jansing

Assistant Chief

Secretary, KFA