

KENTUCKY FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION ESTABLISHED 1919



Office of the Secretary
Monica A Rath

2011 Conference
July 30th – August 2nd

Owensboro, KY

July 30, 2011

On Saturday the annual Olympic Competition was held. **Once again this year Mr. Steve Siereveld of VFIS donated the trophies for the winners.**

- The winners this year are: In the adult category First Place Parker's Mill, Second Place Southgate and in Third Place Tatesville, in the explorer category First Place went to Alexandria, Second Place went to Union #2 and in Third Place Pulaski Co.
- The Sportsman Award went to Parkers Mill in the adult division and Ferguson in the explorers division.
- A new event was added this year to remind the "old-timers" why they retired. The results for the event were 1st Place Pulaski's Finest, 2nd Place NKY Old Farts, 3rd Place Southgate's Finest, 4th Place Area 3, and in 5th Place South Union.

Everyone had a good time. There was a Pork Producers Cookout to end the evening along with music and hospitality.

July 31, 2011

Sunday afternoon a Fire Commission Meeting was held.

Following the meeting, the Annual Memorial Service took place at the Owensboro Christian Church.

- There were five LODD this year.
- Four were recognized and memorialized; the fifth will be recognized next year at the 2012 Memorial Service due to the timing.
- The names will be added to the wall in Frankfort.
- A complete listing of the names read may be seen on the KFA WEB Site.

A pig roast was held after the service, and the evening ended with music and hospitality.

August 1, 2011

President Newman called the meeting to order and thanked everyone for attending the 91st Annual Conference. The Invocation was given by KFA Chaplin Jeff Rickels. Green River Honor Guard presented the colors with the Pledge of Allegiance following. Al Mattingly the Daviess County Judge Executive and Susan Miles on behalf of Representative Bret Guthrie gave welcome speeches and reviewed highlights of the area.

President Newman announced the formal opening of the business session and reviewed a few housekeeping items.

- The Hines Center invited everyone to use the facility throughout the conference. They have a workout room and indoor swimming pool.

President Newman explained that Dave Jansing will be retiring from the office of secretary at the end of the conference and leaving one year on his unexpired term open. With this

being said, it was explained that nominations were being open for all positions up for election.

Vice President at Large

Rusty Todd nominated incumbent Mike Hulseby. Mike Hulseby accepted the nomination John Beatsch nominated Jeff Pohlman 2nd by Jeff Rickels. Jeff Pohlman accepted the nomination Larry Naser nominated Dale Dobson. Dale Dobson accepted the nomination

Treasurer

Dave Jansing nominated incumbent Terry Keller 2nd by Jerry Bogenschutz. Terry Keller accepted the nomination. Joe Bowman nominated Duane Suttles 2nd by Jeremy Rodgers. Duane Suttles accepted the nomination.

Secretary

John Daley nominated Monica Rath 2nd by Joe Stambush. Monica Rath accepted the nomination. President Newman asked three times for each respective office if there were to be any other nominations. Upon hearing no other nominations Jerry Bogenschutz moved to close the nominations. The motion carried. Finding no contest for the office of Secretary Bill Robbins casted one vote for Monica Rath for secretary; President Newman also casted one vote. Monica was invited to sit at the head table next to Dave Jansing to shadow the ins and outs of the conference.

President Newman formed an election committee consisting of Ronnie Day as the Chairman, Ronnie Mayfield, and Bobby Cowherd.

Rules of the conference were distributed to the delegates. A motion was made to approve the rules of the conference. Motion/Second Ronnie Mayfield/Keith Kallmeyer Motion passed via voice vote.

Dave Jansing announced the conference committees.

Ronnie Day gave the preliminary credentials report. 62 departments were checked in. 7 E-Board members were checked in with a total of 131 votes possible.

A motion was made to place the wreath from the Memorial Service on Ray Muench Sr. gravesite.

Motion/Second

John Daley/Keith Kallmeyer
Motion passed via voice vote.

KCTCS - Bryant Stiles

Detailed report is on file with the secretary and will be scanned and attached to the minutes. 2010-2011 student and class count were impressive with 6005 classes and a total of 89,974 students.

Homeland Security – Tom Arnold

NIMS – no new requirements. Fusion Center – explained what the fusion center was and how it could help with tracking such things as a pattern of fires or suspicious activity in your area. Grant Funding – reviewed funding options within Homeland Security

State Fire Marshal - Fire Marshal Bill Swope thanked Rusty Todd and the members of the Fire Works Committee for all their hard work. He also stated that if anyone needs assistance from his office to let them know.

E-Board Reports

Each member of the Executive Board, President Newman VP Van Taylor VP Sam Stacy VP Chris Crawford VP@L Mike Hulsey Secretary Dave Jansing and Treasurer Terry Keller, were called upon to give their annual reports. All reports are on file with the secretary and will be scanned and attached to the minutes.

Resolutions

There were three (3) pre-filed resolutions and two (2) submitted at the beginning of the business meeting. All resolutions are on file with the secretary and will be scanned and attached to the minutes.

Resolution #1 resolved to encourage the fire commission to look into creating a firefighter support position within the volunteer firefighter category.

Resolution #2 resolved to give directors of associations a vote on the floor if association paid the \$85 dues.

Resolution #3 resolved to change By-Law Article 3 Section 3 to obtain active membership status must pay \$85 in yearly dues.

The above pre-filed resolutions were given to the appropriate committee chairmen for review.

Resolution #4 resolved jointly between KFC & KBEMS hold their mutual interest in delivery of quality EMS form a working group under administrative control of KBEMS, and work towards adoption of alternative assessment tool for students seeking certification in addition to the National Registry examination. Resolution #4 was unanimously sent to the EMS committee by voice vote.

Resolution #5 resolved to support and assist EMA's efforts to pass legislation that would help clarify issues relating to mutual aid across state lines. Resolution #5 was unanimously sent to the legislative committee by voice vote.

Directors

President Newman called upon the directors of each association to give a report from their respective areas. Bud Lederer, Rick Bobo, Dale Dobson, Steve Leonard, Joe Fowler, and Duane Suttles all gave reports. A motion was made to cut the time off at 10:00am for delegates to check in to be eligible to cast a vote in the officer elections being held starting Tuesday morning.

Motion/Second

Ray Manis/Paul Hehman
Motion passed via voice vote.

Intrastate Mutual Aid Plan – Bill Martin

- Ohio had a plan on a mainframe but was having difficulty getting it out to other states to use
- Program has since been revamped
- Plan to use the system within Kentucky is now moving forward again
- Now need departments and personnel to volunteer time and equipment to use in a move up system if time and equipment is available.

President Newman announced a recess until Tuesday morning at 8:00am. The golfers in the group participated in a golf outing at Summit Golf Club. Sport shooting was also available for anyone interested. The ladies went to a wonderful luncheon and then were taken by surprise with a two hour Rod Stewart impersonator concert. Everyone had a fun

filled afternoon. In the evening we were entertained with a Bar-B-Q cookout at the Hines Center and then a concert and hospitality back at the Fairfield Inn.

August 2, 2011

President Newman called the meeting to order at 8:05am with the Pledge of Allegiance and a few announcements. Pat Thompson was called upon to give out the golf awards. Ronnie Day gave the final credentials report and reviewed the voting process. Both are scanned and attached to the minutes. There were a total of 64 departments, 104 delegates & 7 E-Board for a total of 135 possible votes. Delegate voting process began in alphabetical order and continued throughout morning until all delegates had a chance to vote.

Fire Commission – Ronnie Day

A full report was submitted to the secretary and will be scanned and attached to the minutes. A few highlights are

- Firefighter ID cards have been a large success
- CPAT calendar is full
- Approximately 700 departments are on board and using NIFRS

Standing Committee Reports

Advisory- No Report

Pub Ed/Fire Prevention- Wanda Isaacs

- Reviewed report submitted to the secretary with the delegation.
- Copy of report will be scanned and attached to the minutes.

NVFC – Ken Knipper

- Reviewed report submitted to secretary with the delegation.
- Copy of report will be scanned and attached to the minutes.
- Bryant Stiles reviewed the FF grant program

Parliamentarian – No report

EMS – Bill Martin

- Reviewed commitment from Bob Hammonds with KBEMS
- Announced this is his last year as committee chairman

KBEMS – Bob Hammonds

- Stressed that if you are due for renewal of your license please get on-line now and complete recert paperwork. If continuing Ed hours are still needed they do not have to be completed before you turn your paperwork in they need to be completed before the end of the year.
- Stated KBEMS is in favor of Resolution #4

Scholarships – Allen Johnson

- Reviewed report submitted to secretary with the delegation.
- Copy of report will be scanned and attached to the minutes.
- Looking into raising amount awarded per semester.

Fire School – Dave Mattingly

- Reviewed report submitted to secretary with the delegation.
- Copy of report will be scanned and attached to the minutes.

- Top 6 participates ADT Security 22, Lexington 19, Plano FD 12, S McCreary 12, Parkers Mill 10, Southgate 8.

Final Credentials – Ronnie Day

- Final credentials report was given
- Last call for any delegate needing to vote was called, upon hearing none the election committee, Brenda Goddard, Theresa Cheney, Michael Kurtsinger and the candidate and/or his designee were called into the private conference room for the counting of the ballots.

Membership – No report

Special Events – No Report

Legislative – Gerald Stewart/Bruce Roberts

- Reviewed report submitted to secretary with the delegation.
- Copy of report will be scanned and attached to the minutes.

Ethics – No report

Fireworks – Rusty Todd

- Reviewed new fireworks bill and how it came about.
- Reviewed report submitted to secretary with the delegation.
- Copy of report will be scanned and attached to the minutes.

Honor Guard – No Report

Olympics – No Report

Hall of Fame – John Daley

- 2011 Inductees are Edward Cureton, Allen Johnson, Steve Siereveld
- Reviewed report submitted to secretary with the delegation.
- Copy of report will be scanned and attached to the minutes.

Constitution & By-Laws – No Report

Resolutions

Resolution #1 resolve was read by Ronnie Day.

A motion to accept Resolution #1 as read was made.

Motion/Second

Ronnie Day/John Daley

Motion passed via voice vote.

Resolution #2 resolve was read by Mike Hulsey

A motion to accept Resolution #2 as read was made.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Keith Kallmeyer

During discussion several questions came up concerning the wording of the resolution. President Newman tabled the motion and sent the resolution back to the by-law committee for rewording. After brief committee meeting Mike Hulsey read the resolve again for Resolution #2.

A motion was made to accept Resolution #2 with the rewording.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Mike O'Day Jr.

Discussion was once again held. Motion was defeated via voice vote.

Resolution #3 resolve was read by Mike Hulsey.

A motion to accept Resolution #3 as read was made.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Allen Johnson

Motion passed via voice vote.

Resolution #4 resolve was read by Bill Martin.
A motion was made to accept Resolution #4 as read.
Motion/Second

Bill Martin/Randy Lawson
Motion passed via voice vote.

Resolution #5 resolve was read by Gerald Stewart.
A motion was made to accept Resolution #5 as read.
Motion/Second

Gerald Stewart/Bill Martin
Motion passed via voice vote.

History – Mike O'Day

- The company the committee had looked into for preserving conference memorabilia had a few setbacks but now progress is once again being made.

Chapter 75 Districts – No Report

Finance – Bryant Stiles

- Reviewed the finance report.

A motion was made to accept the finance report as read.
Motion/Second

Bryant Stiles/Woody Will
Motion passed via voice vote.

- The 2011-2012 proposed budget was reviewed and discussed. A motion was made to accept the proposed 2011-2012 budget.

Motion/Second

Bryant Stiles/Bill Robbins
Motion passed via voice vote.

Conference – Van Taylor

- 2012 Conference will be held at the Clarion (formally Holiday Inn North) in Lexington
- The dates for the conference are July 28th – July 31st.
- Hotel is now taking reservations, use to keyword KYFire

Memorial – Bruce Roberts

- Fallen FF Memorial will be on September 28th at the memorial
- September 10th there is a walk/run scheduled to support the memorial
- Price of the small pavers increased slightly
- Reviewed report submitted to secretary
- Report will be scanned and attached to the minutes

A motion was made to use \$500.00 for expenses incurred with the walk/run scheduled for September 10th.

Motion/Second

Ronnie Day/Woody Will
Motion passed via voice vote.

A motion was made to spend \$500.00 for food for the Fallen FF Memorial service on September 28th.

Motion/Second

Ronnie Day/John Daley
Motion passed via voice vote.

Election – Ronnie Day

- The election committee met and recommended
 1. Van Taylor move to the President's position
 2. Sam Stacy move to the 1st VP position
 3. Chris Crawford move to the 2nd VP position

4. To accept the Jackson Purchase Firefighter Associations nomination for Steve Kyle to move into the 3rd VP position

A motion was made to accept the election committee's recommendation.

Motion/Second

Ronnie Day/Rick Bobo

Motion passed via voice vote.

The election results were read by Ronnie Day.

Mike Hulsey will remain as the VP@Large.

Duane Suttles will be the new Treasurer.

Terry Keller thanked everyone for their six (6) years of support and Duane for running a clean race. Duane Suttles thanked everyone for their support and confidence in him to be the treasurer and Terry for running a clean race.

Elizabeth Likens with American Income Life Insurance took a minute to explain the accidental death and dismemberment benefit that all active members of the KFA are entitled to.

Old Business- None

New Business- None

Good & Welfare- None

President Newman called for a recess until the Banquet.

At the banquet the Executive Board members and their spouses were introduced. The table of Honor ceremony took place followed by the Presentation of the Colors/Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation. Following a delicious dinner the Hall of Fame ceremony took place. Thanks went out to the committee for once again a job well done.

President Newman recognized and thanked the members of the Conference Committee and E-Board. Gifts were exchanged. President Newman thanked Dave Jansing for his many years of service to the KFA and presented him with a lifetime membership for the KFA. President Tim Kleier of the Northern Kentucky Firefighters Association also presented Dave Jansing with a token of appreciation and Lifetime membership for the NKFA. President Newman then released all his committees. The new officers were introduced and all officers were sworn into their respective offices. Badges were exchanged. Steve Siereveld presented the wall clock to President Van Taylor. President Taylor made a few brief remarks. Secretary Rath announced the committee assignments.

President Taylor adjourned the 91th Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Rath, Secretary

Kentucky Firefighters Association