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The regular meeting of the Kentucky Firefighters Association was called to order by President Steve Kyle. Invocation was given by VP @ Large Mike Hulse and then the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call of Officers found all present.

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the 2014 Conference.

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Billy Selvage

Motion passed via voice vote

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the 8-6-2014 E-Board meeting.

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Billy Selvage

Motion passed via voice vote

We had one guest speaker; Stephanie Boley with Legal Shield made a presentation to the group about her company Legal Shield.

All Officers place their activity reports in the Dropbox and they are also attached to the minutes.

Treasurers report – Duane Suttles

- Reviewed the current standing of the 2014-2015 budget
- 2014-2015 membership notices just went out ; at this time we have 188 departments paid, 16 personal memberships, and 42 sustaining memberships

Directors Reports

Jackson Purchase – Tex Johnson

- Welcomed E-Board to Western KY
- Working on membership

Dixie Firefighters – Chris Crawford

- Recovering from a great conference
- Thanks our to everyone who helped make it a great conference especially Elizabethtown Fire Department
- Working on Dixie Fire School
- Firefighter Memorial and Awards Banquet will be October 23rd
- Dixie Green River joint Association meeting will be on November 20th at 6pm in Leitchfield

Northern KY – Jeff Pohlman

- New fire school format is working

Eastern KY – Duane Suttles

- Maysville school is next weekend
- Working on Membership

Pike County – Lewis Ratliff

- Attended two Association meetings
- Attended the 25th annual Pikeville/Pike Co. fire school
- Thanks for support and I am doing well

Committee Reports

By-Laws and SOG's – Mike Hulsey

- The new/revised by-laws are on the website, please review and if you see any mistakes or typo's please advise Mike and he will get it corrected

Steering – Mike Hulsey/Monica Rath

Have not heard from the following association, need to know who their directors are and contact info; Central, Pennyrile, and Southeastern

Hall of Fame – John Beatsch via Secretary Rath

- Attached to the minutes
- Still looking for info on the original directors who signed the incorporation papers

State Fire School – Jeff Pohlman

- Dates are June 4,5,6,and 7th
- Planning on offering night classes on Wednesday night

EMS – Adam Hall via Secretary Rath

- Attached to the minutes

Public Education – Greg Schultz via Secretary Rath

- Would like to have a link on the website; will get with Woody

Special Events – Chris Crawford

- Will plan on setting up booths at Green River Officer school and State Fire School

A motion was made to purchase another set of flags including the American, State of KY and KFA for the special events coordinator to use for meetings and such.

Motion/Second

Pat Walsh/Mike Hulsey

Motion passed via voice vote

NVFC – Ken Knipper

- Attached to the minutes

Honor Guard – Charlie Lott via Secretary Rath

- Attached to the minutes

LAST – Jason Bowling via Secretary Rath

- Attached to the minutes

Membership – Mike Hulsey and Duane Suttles

- Need to encourage members to stay active especially so they are covered by the death benefit with AIL, memberships not paid by December 31st are considered delinquent
- A discuss was had concerning contacting delinquent members and having a script of all we offer would help so nothing is left out
- Secretary Rath, Treasurer Suttles, and Special Events Chairman Chris Crawford will get together and come up with a benefits package for directors and VP's to use.

Old Business

Smoke Signals – Woody Will

- Report attached

A motion was made to offer 4 pages of advertisement at \$300 each and selling all four ads or none.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Jeff Pohlman

Discussion was held

An amendment to the motion was made to make it a three page minimum selling of ads with a \$100 discount for black and white ads and can only purchase one ad per membership; fourth page could be used for our own filling if needed.

Amended Motion/Second

Duane Suttles/Jeff Pohlman

Amendment passed via voice vote

Motion passed via voice vote

A motion was made to authorize President Kyle to modify Woody's contract up to \$1200.00.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Jeff Pohlman

Motion passed via voice vote

Committees – Steve Kyle

- Discussion was held concerning the objectives of each committee and what they actually do and it was decided the secretary would produce a letter and send it to each committee chairman asking for their input so we can get guidelines placed in the SOG's for each committee.

New Business

Cold Checks – Duane Suttles

- We need a guideline in the SOG's stating what we do in case we receive a cold check.

A motion was made we charge a \$50 fee and send a registered letter, if no response in 30 days then we turn it over to the Sheriff.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Jeff Pohlman

Discussion was held

An amendment was made to change the motion to state take legal action instead of turning over to Sheriff.

Amended Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Pat Walsh

Amendment passed via voice vote

Motion passed via voice vote

Legal Shield – Steve Klye

- Please review the information we received today and come back to the next meeting with suggestions

PSOB is there anyone following up after the Washington DC trip?

VP Pohlman reviewed with the board his plans for switching up the agenda at his conference in 2016.

A motion was made to go into Executive Session.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Jeff Pohlman

Motion passed via voice vote

A motion was made to come out of Executive session; with no action taken.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Jeff Pohlman

Motion passed via voice vote

A motion was made to offer Steve Rath the position of Legislative agent with compensation of \$5000.00 and up to \$2500.00 in travel expenses with receipts.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Duane Suttles

Motion passed via voice vote

Secretary Rath abstained from the vote

A motion was made for President Kyle to enter into contracts/MOA's with Michael Kurtsinger and Steve Rath.

Motion/Second

Duane Suttles/Mike Hulsey

Motion passed via voice vote

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Jeff Pohlman

Motion passed via voice vote

Next meeting will be on Saturday February 21st at the Bryant Stiles Officers School in Owensboro. Secretary Rath will work on securing rooms for the E-Board with Pat Thompson.

Respectfully Submitted,

Monica Rath, Secretary

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