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Bryant Stiles Officers School – Lexington KY

The regular meeting of the KFA E-Board was called to order by President Chris Crawford, we were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Treasurer Duane Suttles and Invocation given by VP@L Mike Hulsey. Roll call was taken and all E-Board members were present.

A motion was made to accept the minutes from the October 19, 2013 meeting

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Billy Selvage

Motion passed via voice vote.

Guest Speaker

Amanda Cross with American Income Life Insurance

Reviewed benefits given to our members

- \$3000 Accidental Life and Dismemberment
- Health Service Discount Card
- Child ID kits
- Internet Safety Guide
- In the past 5 years \$8300.00 paid out to members
- Reviewed what field reps are to go over with firefighters in home

Officers Reports

All officers' reports are filed with the secretary and will be attached to the minutes when sent out.

Directors Reports

Jackson Purchase Director Tex Johnson

- Next school will be in March
- Working on KFA membership

NKFA Director Bud Lederer

- Attached to minutes
- Attended NKFA Annual Awards Banquet
- Attended Regional and 2016 Conference meetings
- Promoted KFA membership

Green River Director Steven Leonard report given by Bob Newman

- Working on KFA membership
- Officers school is well underway

- School will be moving back to Owensboro next year

Dixie Director Dale Dobson report given by President Chris Crawford

- Working on 2014 KFA conference
- Fire School is next week March 7th, 8th, and 9th

Jefferson County Director Bob Frizzel

- Looking at 100% membership in the KFA

Bluegrass Emergency Services Director Rick Bobo

- Bobby Cowherd is the new President for Bluegrass
- Looking at 90% membership in the KFA
- Attended Conference Oversight Committee Meeting

Pike County Director Lewis Ratliff

- Attached to minutes
- Working on KFA membership
- September 5th, 6th, and 7th will be 25th Annual Fire School
- Working with Supporting Heroes on the Heroes Challenge Race
- Continue to work on Fire Prevention have given away 1000 smoke detectors to date
- Assisted with 2 funerals
- Hatfield Volunteer Fire Department is going through restructuring

Mountain Firefighters Director Derrick Hall report given by Sam Stacy

- Fire School had 1000 participates
- Assisted with a funeral

Committee Reports

By-Laws SOG's: Mike Hulsey

- By-Law committee will meet prior to the next conference to clean up some wording throughout the document
- A by-law change was submitted to the committee from the finance committee, will review and bring to next conference
- The new Scholarship SOG and forms were presented for review; attached to the minutes; few changes were discussed and agreed upon

A motion was made to accept the proposed Scholarship SOG with discussed changes.

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Mike Hulsey

Passed via voice vote

Hall of Fame: John Beatsch

- Reviewed last year event
- Nominations are now open for this year's event contact Duane Suttles prior to the State Fire School meeting
- Budget should be in line with what has been proposed

State Fire School: Ronnie Day

- Homeland Security is no longer part of the school
- 40 classes are scheduled; tried to schedule hard to get classes
- Billy Goldfedder will be the guest speaker

- If the snow doesn't stop and the schools continue to take days off there may be a scheduling conflict at Rupp Arena with Graduations

Public Education: Wanda Isaacs

- Will be attending the Vision 20/20 in a few weeks and will bring back lots of information
- There is a roundtable discussion on 3/19 at the State Fire Marshalls Office to discuss the high number of fire fatalities; President Crawford would like the E-Board to attend

Scholarship: Allen Johnson

- Discussed during SOG's

NVFC: Ken Knipper

- NVFC and IAFC led the charge to get the IRS to reverse their classification of volunteer firefighters as employees
- Working to simplify transition of military medics to EMT's or paramedic's
- Ken will be attending a meeting in Orlando on the drug shortage issue
- There is a tremendous amount of activity concerning paramedicine
- Globe and Dupont have teamed up again to provide four sets of gear to a totally volunteer department
- Rest of report is attached to the minutes
- Website is NVFC.org

Special Events: Mike Hulse

- Charlie Shaw has retired but would like to stay on and help with funerals. President Crawford appointed Charlie Shaw to be the Funeral Coordinator

Memorial: Chris Crawford

- Frankfort Parks is a great supporter and has helped tremendously with the upkeep of the Memorial
- Pavers are available to help with the monetary upkeep of the memorial grounds and need to be pushed

Honor Guard: Chris Crawford

- Participated in LODD in Whitley City
- Uniforms are starting to look used and need to be replaced soon will come back at next meeting with prices and needs
- Need to reach out to get more participates across the state

Housing Board: Mike Hulse

- Still in conflict with sprinkler code for multi family dwellings

Olympics: Chris Crawford

- Possibly changing a few events
- Encouraged the Western Kentucky area to get involved in the event for a fun filled day

Chapter 75: Jeff Pohlman

- Report attached

Steering: Mike Hulse

- Trip planned to go to Somerset on April 21, 2014 to meet with Tiger Robinson and Chief's Association

Historical: Mike O'Day

- Items were given to be placed in the history trailer

Conference Oversight: Sam Stacy

- Committee met with all the current VP's and they all appear to be in good shape
- It was stressed that if anyone starts to get into trouble with their duties of putting on a conference they need to ask the committee for help
- Sam Stacy gave each VP a copy of all his worksheets and numbers from last year to help with their planning

Legislative: Gerald Stewart

- Report attached
- Reviewed HB 251 with Joe Bear
- Please call your local members of the House and stress your support for HB251 and against special tax on Chapter 75 departments
- Discussed HB 205 CPR in Schools

A motion was made for President Crawford to sign the letter of support for CPR in schools.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulse/Jeff Pohlman

Motion passed via voice vote

Finance Committee: Duane Suttles

- We are now receiving the license plate money on a quarterly basis
- Finance committee met and recommended changes in Travel Expenses and Reimbursement Guidelines
- Guidelines were reviewed and discussed; a few changes were suggested

A motion was made to accept the revised guidelines with the suggested changes.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulse/Jeff Pohlman

Motion passed via voice vote

- Guidelines are attached to the minutes and will go in effect on March 3, 2014

New Business:

A motion was made to spend up to \$120.00 per badge for new pocket badges for Executive Board members.

Motion/Second

Steve Kyle/Jeff Pohlman

Motion passed via voice vote

A motion was made to order 7 table top roll up banners (one for each Executive Board Member) to be used for promotions.

Motion/Second

Steve Kyle/Jeff Pohlman

Motion passed via voice vote

- Discussion was held concerning different ideas for fire school and sustaining membership

A motion was made to spend up to \$500.00 for a Presidential Social for all Sustaining Members present at State Fire School; to be held in the Presidents Suite; and to take the place of giving each Sustaining Member some sort of "trophy".

Motion/Second

Steve Kyle/Mike Hulse

Motion passed via voice vote

Old Business

- An update was given on the 9/11 fire truck at the Patton Museum; report is attached

A motion was made to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Billy Selvage

Motion passed via voice vote

A motion was made to come out of executive session.

Motion/Second

Billy Selvage/Mike Hulsey

Motion passed via voice vote

The next meeting will be Saturday June 7th at State Fire School. Executive Board members need to make their own room reservations.

A motion to adjourn was made.

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Steve Kyle

Motion passed via voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Monica Rath, Secretary

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