

Motion to place Memorial Wreath an the grave of Woody Will
Motion/ Second Joe Stambush/ Rebbeca Brown
Motion passed via voice vote

Conference 2021 Jim Herman

The golf outing this afternoon after recess of business today at Hickory Sticks Golf Club.

The outing to Summit Welding will be after recess of business, buses will available.

Dinner and Open House will be at 6pm in hotel parking lot.

Credentials: Dave Jansing gave preliminary report.

53 Departments represented

75 Delegates seated

Nominations Committee- Howdy Kurtsinger

Nominations for Secretary – The Secretary Position is elected on even years. Due to the cancelling of the 2020 conference due to COVID the Secretary will be elected to a one year term and will then have election in 2022 to bring it into the normal cycle.

Paul Hehman nominated Steve Rath for Secretary.

Motion to close Nominations

Made/Second Pat Krogman/ Jeff Lang
Passed via Voice Vote

Vice President Eric Philpot cast one vote for Secretary.

Nominations for Treasure- two-year term odd years.

Joe Stambush nominated Duane Suttles for Treasure.

Motion to close nominations.

Motion/Second Pat Krogman/ Stephen Fante
Passed via Voice Vote

Secretary Rath to cast one vote for Duane Suttles for Treasure.

Nominations for Vice President at Large- two-year term odd years.

Bob Newman nominated Pat Thompson for Vice President at Large.

Motion to close nominations.

Made/ Second Bob Newman/Dave Jansing
Passed via Voice Vote

Secretary Rath to cast one vote for Pat Thompson Vice President at Large.

Resolutions- Keith Herm

Resolutions Number 1 thru 7 were prefilled and sent to Legislation

Floor Resolutions

#8 Therefore be it resolved, that the Kentucky Firefighters Association encourage continued support from Workforce Development, SFRT, and the Kentucky Fire Commission the STEM programs offering Dual credit Fire and EMS Courses to High School Students.

Motion to send Resolution 8 to Resolutions Committee.

**Motion/Second Adam Hall/ Adam Fuller
Passed via Voice Vote**

#9 Therefore be it resolved, that the Kentucky Firefighters Association through legislation pursue a KRS similar to 95.022 (Employment of retired Police Officers) allowing employment of retired firefighters and allowing Cities to not pay insurance reimbursements and CERS contributions for contracted firefighters to the State of Kentucky.

Motion to send resolution 9 to Resolutions Committee.

**Motion/Second Adam Hall/ John Seitz
Motion passed via voice vote**

#10 Therefore be it resolved, that the Kentucky Firefighters Association seek legislative approval for an increase in State Aid if at least 50% of a departments members have obtained accredited certification for NFPA 1001 Firefighter 1 and an additional increase if at least 50% of a departments members have obtained accredited certification for NFPA 1001 Firefighter 2.

Motion to send resolution 10 to Resolutions Committee.

**Motion/Second Chad Jackson/ George Givens
Motion passed via voice vote**

Reports

KFA Executive Director- Randy Lawson

Its good to see everyone. The last two years have been quite an adventure. I filed my report with the Secretary but will hit the highlights. I have been working with the President answering calls attending meetings. I have attended all E-Board meetings. Attended 8 funerals during the past two years. Worked with Howdy Kurtsinger and Joe Bear on Legislative issues. Lately I have been fielding a lot of calls on soliciting. The KFA does not solicit money by phone. If another fire organization is I usually know about it but at this time I am not aware of any.

Fire Commission- Bruce Roberts

The project at the National Responder Preparedness center is on hold and will start back up some portions will have to be rebid.

Grants- If your department received a PPE grant the receipt and cancelled check are due. We are looking to open up a new PPE grant and before you can apply your previous grant must be closed out.

The Fire Commission office is undergoing reorganization it is anticipated in October/ November we will be posting 8 to 9 open positions.

State Fire Rescue- Marc Rudder

Kentucky Fire Commission – State Fire Rescue Training Director of Training Report

Kentucky Firefighters Association Conference 2021

FY21 was an unusual year with the COVID 19 pandemic. We worked to continue to present training utilizing a variety of delivery methods when requested. Our instructors delivered training to 659 of the 779 fire departments in the Commonwealth which was 84.6% of the departments. We presented 5489 classes totaling 22608.5 hours to 74,856 students. 80.67% of classes delivered were fire topics and 85.67% of our total students were fire classes. Of the fire classes that were delivered 449 of them were taught utilizing the Virtual Instructor Led Training platform via Zoom. State Fire Rescue Training has had some personnel changes over the last few months. In July Kacie Mills joined us as the Area 7 Field Office Coordinator. Area 5 Coordinator Rusty Todd transitioned from full time to part time instructor on April 30. John Gentry began as the new Area 5 Coordinator on August 1. John has vast history with volunteer and career fire departments most recently retiring from Lexington Fire. Charlie Lott retired as the Area 2 Coordinator on June 30. Charlie served the fire service in the Commonwealth for many years. We currently have an active job posting for the Area 2 Coordinator in Princeton. Larrel Alley (LA) transitioned from full time to part time instructor on June 30. The Accredited Certification Coordinator should be announced soon as we have conducted the interview session for that position. Shannon Mason Jones resigned as the SFRT Area 12 Field Office Coordinator and that position will be posted in the future. Margaret Melton has announced her retirement effective August 17 and that position will also post in the future. There will also be another Coordinator that will be transitioning from full time to part time instructor within the next few weeks. Also, with the reorganization plan that has been put into place by Executive Director Larry Potter, SFRT will be having two Regional Directors. Interviews for one of those positions has occurred and we will interview for the other position soon. As a result of the reorganization and resignations/retirements, SFRT will be hiring for several positions within the next few months.

SFRT Area Coordinators area reaching out to all fire departments to schedule training for FY22. We will be able to provide 21 hours of instructor led training to your department. Each area has some additional funding available for training at regional fire schools and/or larger, area wide training courses. We have courses/topics to offer every department in the Commonwealth regardless of the department's size. Check on the Fire Commission's website for a course catalogue to assist with planning your annual training request.

Our Accredited Certification office has been busy adding new levels. We have added Live Fire Instructor and Live Fire Instructor In Charge, both of which follow NFPA 1041. We are currently working to add a certification which will meet NFPA 2400: Standard for Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems Used for Public Safety Operations. Our first group of instructors will complete the train the trainer (TtT) and testing for this level during the last week of August. We will be sending that information to IFSAC for an administrative review so that we can offer this certification. We are working to add several certifications detailed in NFPA 1006 Standard for Technical Rescue Personnel Professional Qualifications. We anticipate updating several levels this fall to the new editions of the respective standards, including NFPA 1021 Fire Officer I and II, NFPA 1002 Driver Operator, D/O Pumper, D/O Aerial, and Mobile Water Supply. Our anticipated transition will be on January 1, 2022 and we will provide advance notification.

This is reminder that SFRT manages the AAS Fire Science Technology degree that is offered at several of the KCTCS colleges. The degree is structured to accommodate both new, traditional students that attend classes on campus for four semesters and for non-traditional students that may strive to use work experience and certifications to receive course credit while working full time and desiring to achieve a college degree for career advancement. Firefighters currently working may be closer to a degree than they would expect so contact your SFRT Area office for more information.

Kentucky Professional Fire Fighters- Joe Bear

Congratulations President Beatsch on a good conference. I am glad we have such a good working relationship. The KFA and KPFF are hard at work in Frankfort for our firefighters. We will continue to improve the Cancer Bill and PTSD bill.

On the federal level looking to pass legislation to expand Medicare for Firefighters that have retired.

The KPFF , KFA and Fire Commission need ot come up with a hotline for Members that are struggling with mental health issues. Also the legislation we passed on reimburse members out of pocket expenses with treatment costs. If you are being treated contact Fire Commission on how to get the process started.

State Fire Marshall- Mike Haney

We have sent to the Legislative Research Commission our request to adopt the 2018 Life Safety Code, and the 2018 Fire Code. We currently use the 2012 of these code books. We believe we will be allowed to go forward with this request but ask for the KFA to support our bid for approval.

The FM’s office is in the process of hiring 3 Deputy State Fire Marshals, 1 Hazardous Materials Inspector, and 1 Hazardous Materials Section Administrative Assistant. We have had 2 retirements, and 2 resignations in the past month and need to fill those positions as quickly as possible.

Our Office will be working the State Fair Detail for the next several weeks. From set up to close, our office will be working t ensure the safety of the attendees of the fair.

Thanks to the KFA for their support of the State Fire Marshal’s Office.

Motion to support Fire Marshals Office for 2018 Life Code.

Made/ Second

Chris Amon/ Corry Thomas

Passed via Voice Vote

Sog’s

A Change in the SOGs is the way that conferences will be handled in the future starting with 20225. These changes will make it more desirable for someone to want to take nether Presidents office in that they will not be responsible to put on a whole conference.

The KFA Executive Board through the Conference Management Committee will manage the conference site selection, hotel contracts, conference registration, memorial service, presidents’ banquet, conference book, vendors show and regulate the registration fee.

The members of this committee shall be the KFA Executive Director (Co-Chairman), KFA Finance Chairman (Co-Chairman), the KFA Honor Guard Committee Chairman would coordinate the

Memorial Service), and a member from each Area, assigned be the KFA President (North, Central, East, West) who would secure conference location and meeting space along with Area KFA Vice President, and coordinate Host Association responsibilities with KFA Conference Agenda.

The Host Association would be responsible for:

Coordinate the following activities with the Conference Management Committee’s Agenda.

Worship Service, Welcome Party, Ladies Luncheon, Evening Activities, Golf Outing and Hospitality Rooms.

Recess till 8:00 am Tuesday August 10,2021

Tuesday August 10, 2021

President John Beatsch Called the Kentucky Firefighters Association Meeting to order at 8:00 am est.

The KFA Chaplin Jeff Rickels said the Invocation.

The Pledge was said by Southgate Junior Firefighter Andrew Rath. Andrew is the Son of Past Secretary Monica Rath and present Secretary Steve Rath. Monica past form cancer 5 years ago. Weeks after Monica pasted the Kentucky Legislature pasted the cancer bill for Kentucky Firefighters.

Conference Coordinator - Jim Herman

Tonight we have the Hall of Fame induction and Presidents Banquet at 6 PM at the Newport Syndicate buses will leave starting at 5:15.

Credentials Report- Dave Jansing

We have 54 Departments represented with 77 Delegates

KFA REGIONAL DIRECTORS REPORTS

Jackson Purchase- Tex Johnson

Not much has happened but good news we are planning our Spring Fire School for March 25- 27 2022.

Green River- Dwane Smithers

- The Green River Firefighters Association (GRFA) wishes President Beatsch and his Conference Staff best wishes on a successful conference.
- The GRFA has stayed active during these trying times, holding 2 virtual Fire Schools as well as our bi-monthly business meetings. We owe our Area 3 Coordinator Jimmy VanCleve, NRPC Coordinator Marc Henderson, and their staffs a debt of gratitude for their hard work.
- We have held our last 2 meetings in person and it's been so good to get back together. To coincide with the Fire Commission's Area restructuring, the GRFA has welcomed Hopkins County into the Association; we are all excited about this addition!

Remaining 2021 Green River Meeting locations, dates		
September 30 th	Madisonville Fire Department	7:00pm CST
November 18 th	Joint Meeting with Dixie Firefighters Assn.	6:30pm CST

- The current 2021 GRFA Board members are:

President	Lee Williams	Firefighter/ Greenville and Madisonville FDs
1 st VP	Troy Roberts	Chief/ Lewisport FD
2 nd VP	Charlie Rafferty	Lt. Daviess Co. / Asst. Chief Airport-Sorgho FDs

Treasurer	Pat Thompson	Chief /Airport-Sorgho FD
Secretary	Marc Henderson	Assistant Chief/ Moseleyville FD
KFA Director	Dwane Smeathers	Safety Officer/ Yelvington FD

- The 38th Annual GRFA Fall Fire School is scheduled for October 22nd – 24th at the Owensboro Community College Campus. A Class Offering listing is already finalized with some of the popular courses from the past along with some new courses.
- The GRFA Reverse Raffle Dinner in Owensboro, at Blessed Mother Church, has been rescheduled for November 6th, 2021. Tickets previously purchased will still be good for this date and we still have tickets available.
- The Bryant Stiles Officers School is scheduled for February 25th – 27th, 2022 in Owensboro, at the Convention Center. Planning is well underway as we hope to see everyone in person in Owensboro.
- Planning has begun on hosting the 2024 KFA Conference in Owensboro.

Dixie Firefighters- Steve Sheets

Bluegrass Emergency Services- Stephen Fante

□ _Bluegrass Emergency Service Report

- _We have not had a meeting since the last KFA meeting, so not really much new business from BESA. We were back on our regular scheduled meeting in person. The next BESA meeting will be September 21st at Shelby County Station 1.
- _Raffling of a Henry Rifle will be raffled off at this conference. Challenge coins are still available

Northern Kentucky- Bud Lederer

I would like to welcome everyone to Northern Kentucky. The Conference committee has worked hard to put on a great conference for you. If anyone needs anything please don't hesitate to ask.

Buffalo Trace- Kyle Carpenter No Report
 Daniel Boone-Danny Blevins No Report

Eastern Kentucky- Billy Selvage

We have had a couple of meetings. We are working on attendance. We are planning our Fire School right now more to follow.

Mountain Firefighters- Tom Caldwell No Report

Southeastern Firefighters- Terry Wattenbarger

The SKFA (Southeastern Kentucky Firefighters Association) met in person on July 15, 2021, for the first time in over a year.

The SKFA is beginning work on the 2021 SKFA Fall Fire School. The school will be at the Corbin Arena and the Corbin Center in Corbin, KY with a date of October 1st, 2nd, and 3rd currently. As of the meeting, plans are to have an in-person school.

As a fundraiser for the 2022 KFA Conference, the SKFA will be having the 1st Annual Southeastern Kentucky Firefighters Association Golf Scramble at Gibson Bay Golf Course in Richmond, KY on September 17, 2021. We are currently taking entries; forms can be obtained from our Facebook page. The entry fee is \$300.00 per team and includes cart, green fees, range balls, lunch, and prizes.

Currently, we are also seeking out sponsorships for the golf scramble. We have had several organizations step-up and be sponsors. If anyone is interested, you may also obtain a sponsorship form from our Facebook page or KFA 1st Vice President Philpot.

KFA 1st Vice President Philpot and the SKFA are continuing with several fund-raising efforts while simultaneously preparing for the 2022 Conference. We look forward to hosting the conference next year in Corbin, KY.

Lake Cumberland- David Gross

We haven't had any meetings, but we are planning our Fire School more information to follow.

Central Kentucky- Michael Rath

We haven't had a meeting since Covid started. Looking to have a meeting very soon.

South Central Nelson Slaughter- No report

Hall of Fame- Wally Wallingford

Tonight, at the Presidents Banquet John Wiseman and Past President Jeff Pohlman will be our newest additions to Kentucky Firefighters Hall Of Fame.

Membership- Duane Suttles

407 DEPARTMENT MEMBERS CURRENT

51 DELINQUENT DEPARTMENTS

73 PERSONAL MEMBERS

29 SUSTAINING MEMBERS

6 NEW DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

13 NEW PERSONAL MEMBERS .

State Fire School – Eric Philpot

The State Fire School is in its planning stages. This will be the 90th State Fire School June 7 thru 12 2022 in Lexington Ky. Contracts for Hotels and Bluegrass Tech will be finalized very soon.

Scholarship- Allen Johnson

For the 2021 fall semester we have one renewal and four new applicants that were approved and received their checks for \$1,000.00

The recipients are Carly Hils, Olivia Rudder, Davis Skinner, Baylee Ford and Kenneth Bond.

The KFA Scholarship Program has been a rewarding part of our organization for many years. It has allowed many young men and woman the ability t achieve their goals in the fire and emergency services programs.

EMS- Jimmy VanCleve

COVID 19 cases are on the rise reminding us that this pandemic is far from over. Now, it is more important than ever to protect yourself and others. Please get vaccinated if you have not done so already. While it is not a 100% guarantee to prevent contracting the virus, it is 90% plus in preventing serious illness, hospitalization, and death. Your best defense is vaccination. Outside of being vaccinated it is strongly encouraged to follow CDC and state guidelines, which are to wear a mask indoors when around others, keep safe distances, and practice proper hygiene. As a reminder, according to CDC guidelines those not fully vaccinated should wear a mask when indoors around others.

The Provider renewal window is open in KEMSIS. If you are due to renew in 2021, you can go ahead and do so now. NREMT has their renewal portal open now as well. NREMT will have a price increase in 2022 so if you are due to renew in March of 2022, you can do so now at the current rates.

For those seeking continuing education, KBEMS has a couple of options on their website: they have a 30-hour Prodigy course (free) listed on the site and there is also a JBL developed NCCP cont-ed module for \$1.00 per credit hour. These courses can be found under the training tab on the KBEMS website.

The State EMS Conference is currently scheduled to be in Lexington on September 14 – 17, 2021 at the Lexington Central Bank Center (Hyatt).

Website/Newsletter/Special events- Buford Hurley

I am always looking for articles for Smoke Signals. Please submit any news from your area examples would be new equipment, promotions, new firehouse, fund raising anything you think the Firefighters around the State would like to know.

NVFC- Pat Thompson

The NVFC is on a membership drive. Please consider joining the NVFC it is \$25 dollars a year. It is for the NVFC have a large membership base to show the Legislators who the NVFC reasents. Please go to the NVFC website and read the Lavender Ribbon report. The report details 11 actions firefighters can take to lessen their cancer risks.

Dave Finger is the Legislative Coordinator for the NVFC and there is a big push on the PTSD and Mental Health bill that is in congress.

Honor Guard- Charlie Rafferty

Since our last conference the Honor Guard responded on two funeral details the first was Woodrow “Woody” Will, and second Calloway County Fire-Rescue Assistant Chief Timmy Manning.

At the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown gave us time to focus on the Honor Guard trailer. The equipment trailer was initially set up with work bench style shelving on both sides with the flags being at the end of each shelf area held in place with bungee cords. This caused wrinkling of the flags. At one point, while the cord was unhooked to remove the flags to be used, one fell causing the topper to brake. At times several members would be in the trailer dressing at off-site locations and due to the previous set up space was tight. To better suit our needs a reconfiguration was needed. So as most of you have hopefully seen, in the May 2020 edition of Smoke Signals II, the trailer got a makeover. The closet for uniform storage stayed, but all of the shelving was removed. New shelving was installed down one side, and a bench style seat with flag, and flag base storage under the seat area on the other side. This will help keep wrinkling of the flags down. New LED lighting was installed, replacing the old compartment lights from an ambulance, that were originally installed. The two sets of parade axes, and pike poles were in the original cardboard boxes that were coming apart so hard sided foam padded plastic rifle cases were ordered to better protect those as well. The interior and floor were painted to knock down on the dust in the trailer. All in all, it took about two weeks, time to complete this project. I would like to thank Honor Guard member Al Wathen, and VP Marc Henderson, with The National Responder Preparedness Center in Greenville Kentucky for all of the work and space to make this happen.

On the KFA web site the Honor Guard section has been updated to include photos of the Honor Guard at the National Memorial, and State Memorial services. As well as information on Mission or Purpose of the Honor Guard, Member Qualifications, and Honor Guard Activation.

It seemed fitting to debut the new uniforms here at the 100th conference although they aren't the same style as before we will be able to accommodate several personal in each uniform whereas before with the custom-tailored coats. Rain covers for the hats all weather coats, and raincoats have also been added to the inventory to help keep the new uniforms looking good.

Memorial- Bruce Roberts

The Memorial will be September 29, 2021 at 11am Est. there will be challenge coins for sale to raise funds for maintance and expansion. There has been a committee formed with the Kentucky Professional Firefighters and the Fire Commission t explore the expansion of the memorial and grounds.

Finance- John Wiseman

The Finance Committee did the annual audit and found all is in order.

The Budget was presented:

BUDGET WORKSHEET	2020-2021 Budget	2021-2022 Proposed
Income		
License Plate Income	\$48,000.00	\$60,000.00
Dues - Membership Income	\$36,000.00	\$36,000.00
Dues - Personal	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Dues - Sustaining Members	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Newsletter/Webpage Income	\$1,000.00	\$1,300.00
Other Income		\$0.00
Interest	\$800.00	\$800.00
Prints/Promo Income		\$100.00
Scholarship Donations		\$0.00
State Fire School	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00
Carry Forward	\$27,925.00	\$21,245.00
Directory/Publications Income		\$0.00
State Fire School Admin Fund	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
Total Income	185,325.00\$	\$190,845.00

BUDGET WORKSHEET	2020-2021 Budget	2021-2022 Proposed
Expenses		
Executive Director (Compensation and Travel Expenses)	\$24,000.00	\$20,000.00
Funeral Expense	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Hall of Fame	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Honor Guard Expense	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00
Insurance Expense	\$4,400.00	\$4,800.00
Legislative Expense (Compensation and Travel Expenses)	\$7,000.00	\$12,000.00
Memorial Expense	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Newsletter Expense	\$19,500.00	\$19,620.00
Web Page Expense	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
NVFC Expense	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Office Supplies	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Office	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00
Equipment/Operation		
Official Travel Expense	\$21,000.00	\$24,000.00
Olympics	\$0.00	\$0.00
Postage Expense	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Audit	\$625.00	\$625.00
Printing Expense	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Promotional Expense	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00

Safety Education Expense	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Secretary/Treasurer Expense	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00
State Fire School	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Special Events Expense	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Telephone Expense	\$400.00	\$400.00
Uniform Expense	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Miscellaneous	\$400.00	\$400.00
Total Expenses	\$185,325.00	\$190,845.0

Motion to approve 2021-2022 budget of \$190,845.00

Motion/Second Krogman/ Joe Stambush

Passed via Voice Vote

Resolutions- Keith Herm

There are 11 Resolutions

Resolution 1

Therefore, be it resolved that Kentucky Firefighters Association t advocate for a new level of volunteer firefighter certification for firefighters who support the mission of the fire department, but who do not engage in interior firefighting operations.

Motion to table

Motion/Second Jeff Lang/ Joe Stambush

Passed via voice vote

Resolution 2

Be it resolved that the Kentucky Firefighters Association advocate for a tax credit for all active Volunteer Firefighters who are certified at the 150 hour level an maintain minimum training standards annually.

Legislative Committee amendment Minimum training to 20 hours annually.

Motion to accept the amendment.

Made/ second Jeff Lang/ Chris Crawford

Passed via voice vote

Motion to support resolution 2 with amendment

Motion/ Second Chris Crawford/ Fireman Joe

Passed via voice vote

Resoultioon 3

Be it resolved that the Kentucky Firefighters work with the Kentucky Fire Commission to sample other states that have training incentives for Volunteer Fire Departments and create a training incentive for Volunteer Firefighters to assist in keeping well trained and qualified Volunteer firefighters in the communities.

Motion to support Resolution 3

Motion/ Second Pat Krogman/Dave Jansing

Discussion- Funding the insurance surcharge is divided up Police 72% and Fire 28% so out of the Fire Commissions money what programs will or will not be funded.

Motion Passed Via voice vote

Resolution 4

Be it resolved that the Kentucky Firefighters Association and Kentucky Fire Commission move the annual Kentucky Firefighter Memorial to a Saturday in Late September or Early October to allow more attendance.

Motion/Second Adam Hall/ Chris Crawford

Discussion: It was brought up that weekends are hard with the park because employees are off and events at the park take up parking. But it will be investigated.

Motion passed via voice vote

Resolution 5

Be it resolved that the Kentucky Firefighters association work with the Kentucky Fire Commission to seek approval and funding to hire and employ two full-time permanent individuals to assist all Kentucky Fire Departments in recruiting and retaining firefighters.

Motion to not support resolution 5 until more information is gathered.

Motion/Second Marcus Muench/ George Givens

Passed via hand count 32 for motion, 14 against motion

Resolution 6

Be it resolved that a classification of EMERITUS status be created in the bylaws of the Kentucky Firefighters Association to allow past Presidents, Secretaries, Treasures, and Vice-Presidents at Large an opportunity to continue to participate and guide our organization.

Be it further resolved that the EMERITUS status only be bestowed on those past officers who successfully completed their commitment to their local firefighters association and the Kentucky Firefighters Association during their service and are approved by resolution by the delegates at the annual conference.

Motion to approve resolution 6

Motion/second Steve Sheets/ Pat Krogman

Motion passed via voice vote

Resolution 7

Be it resolved the Article 5, Section 1, Subsection B of this Associations By-Laws be revised to reflect an increase in the annual expanses reimbursed t the Treasurer from \$1,000 to \$2,000 and retain language that any additional related expanses be reimbursed to the treasurer with receipts submitted to the Secretary and that the increase become effective with the 2022 fiscal year.

Motion to approve the By-law change in resolution 7.

Mare/ Second Pat Krogman/ Michael Rath

Passed via voice vote

Resolution 8

Be it resolved that Kentucky Firefighters Association encourage continued financial support from workforce Development, SFRT, and the Kentucky Fire Commission for in place programs also: Support Junior Firefighters programs, Stem, structured 150 certifications for dual credit as provided by SFRT region 7, increase number of Paramedic programs offered. Also the KFA ensure that our legislature is aware of the severe need for staffing of Fire and EMS.

Motion to support resolution 8

Motion/ Second Kieth Hammonds/ Greg Schultz

Motion passed via voice vote.

Resolution 9

Be it resolved, that the Kentucky Firefighters Association through legislation pursue a KRS similar to KRS 95.022 (employment of retired Police officers) allowing employment of retired firefighters and allowing cities to not pay insurance reimbursement and CERS contribution for contracted firefighters to the Sate of Kentucky.

Motion to not support resolution 9

Motion/Second Jeff Lang/ Scott Reusing

Passed via voice vote

Resolution 10

Be it resolved that the Kentucky Firefighters Association seek approval for an increase in State aid if at least 50% of its members have obtained accredited certification for NFPA 1001 Firefighter 1 and an additional increase if at least 50 % of a departments members have obtained accredited certification for NFPA 1001 Fire Fighter 2.

Motion to support Resolution 10

Motion/ Second Michael Rath/ Jeff Lang

Amendment to Resolution 10, Departments would receive up to \$2,000 additional state aid and Firefighter 2 would receive up to \$2,000 additional State Aid for a possible \$ 4,000 in additional State aid if both Certifications are met.

Motion to support amendment to resolution 10

Made/ second Adam Hall/ Keith Hammonds

Passed via voice vote

The original Motion passed via voice vote

Resolution 11

Be it resolved that the Kentucky Firefighters Association go on record to congratulate President John Beatsch and the Conference Staff for a very successful 2021 KFA Conference.

Motion to support resolution 11

Motion/ Second Keith Hurm/ Jeff Lang

Passed via voice vote

By-Laws -Chris Crawford

There are several changes need to the By-Laws some were to clean up spelling and grammer. Also the Treasurers stipend was increased to \$2,000 and the section on EMERTIS Status was added. After approval the By-Laws will be posted on the KFA website.

Motion to approve changes to By-Laws

Motion/Second Bill Berkle/ Steve Sheets

Conference Cities

Vice President Marc Henderson

The 2024 Conference will be held in Owensboro Ky. August 3 thru 7 2024.

Hotels and Convention Center will be under contract soon. Our next fund raiser will be a Reverse Raffle November 6 ,2021. Tickets are still available.

Vice President Rick Bobo

The 2023 Conference will be July 31 thru August 5th at the Holiday Inn Hurstbourne Louisville.

We are having a Trap Shoot fund raiser September 25, 2021 \$75.00 a team.

We are also selling challenge coins.

Vice President Eric Philpot

The 2022 Conference will be in Corbin Ky. August 3 thru 6, 2022

Hotel information will be out soon so check the website under the Conference 2022 tab.

Good and Welfare

Rebecca Brown- Kentucky Federation of Fire Chaplains

Hazard fire School is August 28 &29 202.

Kentucky EMS Conference and Expo September 14 -17 Lexington at the Central Bank Center.

Recess until Presidents Banquet at 6 pm

Presidents Banquet was held with the 2021- 2022 Officers sworn in by Past Secretary Dave Jansing. President Eric Philpot Closed the 2021 Conference.

