



South Central Kentucky Firefighters Association, Inc.

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Board Meeting Minutes 8/18/22.

The Board of Directors met at Scottsville Fire Department station 2. The Meeting was called to order by President Nelson Slaughter and led us in prayer.

Mike Hughes called the roll where 6 members, Becky West, Matt Pedigo, Dustin Pierce, Brian Hope, Robert Celing, and Josh Burnett were absent. A quorum was not in attendance.

The minutes were read by Mike Hughes from the May 26th meeting.

Mike Hughes read the Treasurer's Report where he stated that since the last meeting there were:

- \$ 9,080.00 deposit from Spine Stop.
- \$ 564.00 Paid to Wix for our Web hosting.
- \$ 15.00 paid to Ky Secretary of State for our annual filing fee.
- \$ 32.52 deposit from PayPal
- \$299.95 for Vista Print Banners
- \$12,610.84 Checking Balance.

Old Business:

Nelson stated that we had Bruce Roberts to speak on the request of Edmonson County about creating a county wide department in addition to the current departments.

-Bruce stated that to start a new department it would have to consist of 12 firefighters and a Chief that are not currently on another department. They must have property to protect, which means under the current guidelines, every other department within the county would have to give up their area. One option that is new since the laws have changed is that all the departments can combine into one department which would allow them to keep their state aid.

-Bruce also stated the new camera grants went out today with some changes this year. The Fire Commission would be purchasing the cameras in bulk so a lower price could be negotiated, and the paperwork process could be eliminated or greatly reduced on the fire department level.

-He also stated that training reports can be run now as well since Mary Adams has the system up and running. He distributed directions on how to run those reports for those in attendance.

-PPE grants are taking longer (12,16 and even 18 months) due to supply issues, so the Fire Commission is looking at other grants to make available.

-The first recruit class at the NRPC starts on Monday and runs 13 weeks. This is the pilot program. Bruce stated that the fire department are our customers, and we are there if you need anything.

Cheryl Allen asked about the Extractor Program and if it was still available. Bruce stated that it is and they just gave away 35 extractors. Once they are installed, he will do another round. It is now up to the individual department to get the units installed due to the delays from the contractor acquired from the state. Once you pick up the extractor you will have 90 days to get it installed.

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Keith Herm spoke with the Kentucky Chapter IAAI. Annual conference was held in Georgetown in mid-March. We had 17 investigators attend from across the state as well as instructors from across the country, one as far as Colorado. The next conference is in planning for mid-March, also in Georgetown. Also, an Arson 2 class is being planned for the SCKFA Fire School in November. KSP Arson investigation is all but nonexistent with only one investigator for the entire state. He is stationed out of Pikeville.

Mark Henderson with SFRT spoke on the pilot recruit program at the NRPC where the first class will consist of 25 students. Once this 13-week class is over they are possible looking at one to two more classes. Construction should start soon on additions to the NRPC. New buildings will include an area for CPAT, classrooms and a mock fire station with live in quarters.

Mark also spoke on the KFA. The KFA Conference was held a couple of weeks ago. Thank you to those who attended, and we would like to invite you down for the next KFA meeting. There is a legislative committee that introduces new legislation for the Fire Commission, along with The Chief's Association and the KPFFA. The next meeting will be in e-town in October. The Ky Fallen Firefighter Memorial needs expansion and repairs and the KFA is in the process of fundraising for those funds. October 5th is the next memorial in Frankfort.

The new IFSAC testing should be going live in the next couple of months. You should be able to walk in a district office, sit down on a dedicated computer, take the test, and get immediate results instead of waiting weeks for a score.

The Kentucky Association of Fire Chiefs report was given by District Vice President Mike Hughes. The KAFC currently has an online auction where 100% of the proceeds go to the Ky. Fallen Firefighter Memorial expansion. Information was handed out on how to bid on items. The Leadership Conference will be in Bowling Green again this year on the 23rd through 25th. Chief Mark Emery and Chief Cannon will be our speakers this year. Vendors will be available.

SFRT District 4 update was given by John Weatherbee where he stated that he had been out for the past month and did not have anything to report.

Committee Reports:

Fire School Committee – Cheryl Allen

Cheryl stated that she has been in contact with numerous vendors and has put together a vendor packet with different levels of support. Cheryl noted that it was impossible to have these schools without the support of the vendors. She is also working on the fire school brochure as well as a class list. We have secured the entrapment prop for up to 20 students. The Arson 2 class has secured a house for their burn. The weather class has confirmed and so has the active shooter class. We are working with John Weatherbee and Mark Henderson on an instructor list. Bowling Green City will be doing VEIS, High Angle Ropes and aircraft firefighting. The school will be the first weekend in November.

Social Media – Nelson Slaughter said Kevin Bailey will be helping with our website. We are continuing to update and improve the web site. If you have events happening, please contact me and I will get it on the site. I have been talking with Jimmy Vanclave on registration ideas. Mike Hughes and I will be working on getting the ability to take online funding. We will be going through Eventbrite for ticket sales. Mark Henderson stated that Buford would be glad to add our information to Smoke Signals.

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Fundraising – Matt King is trying to get pricing on shirts as well as challenge coins. Mike Hughes said he has also been looking into the challenge coin pricing and there is a wide range of options that affect pricing. There is a 120 dollar die fee per side. With color and texture options affecting price. A basic price would be around 7 dollars a coin with a 100-coin minimum order. If that is a route that we want to take we need to sit down and work out a design.

Stair Climb – Chris McCoy. Nelson stated that Chris had contacted him and has put off the stair climb till 2023 due to personal issues.

Nomination Committee – No Report

Old Business:

Cheryl said there was no new news from Spine Stop. She was hoping to hear from them soon.

The Association has been hitting the road to attend area Chief's Meetings to get them involved. We can't do this without their support and the support of the firefighters in District 4. We have tried to make the Fire School as cheap as possible. We are also looking into a Grain Bin Rescue class, but Dale Dobson is very busy. We are also looking into an extrication class for electric vehicles. BSAR classes as well. There will be one in Franklin on October 6th-8th. If you have training needs, please let us know and we can help facilitate getting you the classes you need.

New Business:

Insurance: Mike Hughes stated that the new liability insurance quote has doubled from \$1,200.33 to \$2,464.39. He stated that he would be checking into other options for better pricing.

Need approval to pay the Sloan Convention Center at the end of the school.

Approval needed for 22-23 meeting schedule.

November 15th in Bowling Green

November 17th Joint Meeting in Owensboro with Dixie and Green River.

February 16th Sharon Grove

May 18th Fountain Run

Mike Hughes thanked Chief Cooksey, of the Scottsville Fire Department, for hosting tonight's meeting.

Meeting Adjourned.

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