

# Kentucky Firefighters Association

## Executive Board Meeting

June 5, 2005

Lexington, KY

President Bill Robbins Jr. called the meeting to order @ 1:00PM. Fireman Joe Stambush gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

Guest: Mr. David M. Rogers of "RBC Dain Rauscher", and Mr. Edward J. Holohan of Penflex, Inc., addressed the board on the issue of a "State Wide LOSAP" (Length of Service Awards Program) for the volunteer firefighters and EMS personnel. The topic of funding such a program was discussed. It was decided that the KFA Executive Board adopt a resolution in support of a program for the volunteers and that we support the idea of working with the Fire Commission to get the necessary legislation passed to be able to use Insurance surcharge money to fund the program. Woody Will agreed to prepare the Resolution for adoption at the 2005 Conference. (The Secretary as pre-filed received the Resolution).

Woody Will spoke with the Board about his ideas and goals as the "Once again" Editor of the Smoke Signals and WEB Master that goes into effect July 1, 2005. The deadline for articles for the Smoke Signals II will be the 15<sup>th</sup> of the preceding month Each Board member, Chairman; Director will continue to have a KYFA.ORG email address. There will be a "Members Only" section on the KFA WEB site. A password will be issued to the dues paying members, (departments, individual, and sustaining members). The idea of displaying new apparatus and specs for new apparatus was also discussed).

Charlie Shaw gave a preliminary report on State Fire School concerning the vendors, and sustaining members, number of booths, etc. Charlie also talked about the number of funeral details and special events he has been involved with since the last meeting. The KFA will partner with KCTSC / Fire Commission & the State Fire Marshall's office for the booth and displays at the State Fair in Louisville. Charlie stated the new trailer is working great.

Report of the President: President Robbins commented on the different activities he has attended around the state. He has also been in meetings concerning the October 2005 Memorial Service in Frankfort. President Robbins has attended numerous firefighter funerals.

Report of the Vice Presidents: Allen Johnson attended a funeral in Louisville. AJ stated his conference in 2006 would be at the Embassy Suites in Lexington. His intention is to have everything under one roof. Troy Newcomb stated he has attended five funerals. The Conference in 2007 will be at KY Damn Village. 3<sup>rd</sup> VP John Daley has been working on a tri-fold brochure as a marketing / informational tool for the KFA. John had a sample on hand. *Our good friend Steve Siereveld of VFIS stated that he would pay for the first printing of the brochures in*

*color. Thanks Steve.* John stated that the “Hall of Fame” Committee would be meeting while at State Fire School. Following the meeting, the names of the 2005 inductees would be presented to the Executive Board.

Report of the Secretary- a name for the Memorial Wall in Frankfort was brought to the attention of Sylvan Smith. That name is Hiram Winkle who died in the line of duty on December 5<sup>th</sup>, 1943. Allen Johnson made a motion that the name be added to the wall. Troy Newcomb seconded the motion. Motion carried. Secretary reported that the new Laptop & Printer for the KFA was purchased as authorized. The contract with Woody Will as the Editor of the Smoke Signals and WEB Master has been signed. **The new pocket badges for the Directors are in and will be given out at the 2005 Conference.**

The Delegate Registration Forms & Request for the names of the deceased members since the 2004 Conference have been mailed to each department.

One Resolution sent in by the Dixie Firefighters Association dealing with a request to make certain KFA Committees standing committees was read. It is prefiled.

Discussion concerning the proper handling and delegation by the President took place concerning the Resolutions whether pre-filed and carried to the floor took place. The proper procedure will be to give the pre-filed resolutions to the Committee Chairman assigned to the committee that deal with the proposed resolution. Example, A resolution dealing with a By-Laws Change will be directed to the Chairman of the By-Laws Committee. A Legislative Issue resolution will go directly to the Legislative Committee for Consideration. General Resolutions with no one specific committee involved will go to the Chairman of the Resolutions Committee.

No pre-filed resolution resolves will be read at the Conference near the opening of the Business Session. 2/3-majority vote of the seated voting delegates is required to accept the resolution and sent it to the appropriate committee for study.

Scholarship Activity: Treasurer Keller reported that he received the names of two individuals from Chairman Paul Billings who have compiled all the necessary paperwork and have met the requirements for the **“Wayne Watts Memorial Scholarship Program.”** The two people are Brandon Nicholas Harvey and Amanda C. Smith. John Daly made a motion seconded by Allen Johnson that **Brandon Harvey** be given a scholarship pending his Letter of Acceptance. Motion Carried. Secretary Jansing made a motion that **Amanda Smith** be granted her Scholarship pending her “Letter of Acceptance”. Troy Newcomb seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Fire Prevention- Public Education: Joe Stambush announced that a PUB ED workshop for all KY Public Educators will be held at the Marydale Retreat Center on Donaldson Road in Northern KY on August 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, & 31<sup>st</sup>.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer Keller gave a detailed report of the finances of the Organization. John Daly made a motion to accept the report. Allen Johnson seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

A motion was made and seconded to go into Executive Session for the sole purpose to discuss a personnel issue. Motion Carried. Following a 5- minute recess we went into Executive Session.

At the conclusion of the discussion, a motion was made to return to regular session and seconded. Motion carried. Once we were back in regular session a motion was made to adjourn. The motion was seconded. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

**David E. Jansing**

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Secretary