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State Fire 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 March 01, 2014 meeting

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Steve Kyle

Motion passed via voice vote.

A motion was made to accept the minutes from the April 29, 2014 special meeting.

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Steve Kyle

Motion passed via voice vote.

Officers Reports

All officers' reports are filed with the secretary and will be attached to the minutes when sent out with the exception of VP @ Large Mike Hulsey. VP @ Large Hulsey had recent shoulder surgery and was unable to complete his report at this time.

Directors Reports

Jackson Purchase Reported by Steve Kyle

- President of JPFA's wife passed away ; KFA E-Board sends their condolences
- Working on 2015 conference

NKFA Director Bud Lederer

- Changed fire school to regional training, one weekend in May and one weekend in fall
- Reds tickets for sale to support the 2016 conference
- Attended Regional and 2016 Conference meetings
- Promoted KFA membership

Green River Director Steven Leonard report given by Bob Newman

- Thanks to President Crawford and VP@Large Hulsey for attending 30th Anniversary Dinner

Dixie Director Dale Dobson report given by President Chris Crawford

- Working on 2014 KFA conference; Ads are still available, registration is on line, reviewed conference agenda

Pike County Director Lewis Ratliff

- Working on KFA membership
- September 5th, 6th, and 7th will be 25th Annual Fire School
- Working with Supporting Heroes on the Heroes Challenge Race which will be on August 2nd
- Working on getting departments compliant with HB1
- AIL had been going around the area to non-member departments and misrepresenting themselves and the \$3000 insurance policy. Amanda Cross was immediately notified and the situation was corrected promptly

Eastern KY Firefighters reported by Duane Suttles

- Recently completed a successful fire school in Louisa
- Having a gun raffle to support the 2017 Conference, raffling an AR15

Daniel Boone Firefighters reported by Duane Suttles

- Successful fire school in Morehead

Buffalo Trace Firefighters reported by Duane Suttles

- In the planning stages for the regional fire school in October

Still working on getting to areas of the state that are not represented. Continue to need more director involvement.

Committee Reports

By-Laws SOG's: Mike Hulse

- Conference Overview committee changes from the October meeting still need to be updated on the website. A copy was given to Mike Hulse.

Hall of Fame: John Beatsch

- Committee had a meeting on June 5th at State Fire School, all committee members were present and assignments were distributed
- There were a few nominations this year but only two made the cut; 1st Joe Bowman was nominated and voted upon to be inducted into the Hall of Fame 2014 Class, 2nd VP@Large Mike Hulse was nominated and voted upon to be inducted into the Hall of Fame 2014 Class. Congratulations Gentlemen
- Looking for info on the individuals who signed the original Articles of Incorporation for possible induction into the Hall of Fame

State Fire School: Ronnie Day/Therese Cheney

Ronnie Day

- Billy Goldfedder was the guest speaker at the opening ceremony
 - Student numbers are up from the last two years
 - Brochure went out 2 months early and thinks this may have helped with increased numbers
 - 260 Departments represented, 736 students, 43 classes offered and 10 classes were cxi
- Therese Cheney
- Vendor count has increased over last year
 - Currently there are 42 sustaining members
 - Still working on student traffic in the vendor area
 - Reviewing contract for 2015

NVFC: Ken Knipper

- NVFC and IAFC led the charge to get the IRS to reverse their classification of volunteer firefighters as employees, this is an ongoing process STILL
- Several departments took advantage of the Globe turn out gear grant, waiting to hear who will receive the grant
- Due to the Globe turn out gear grant application 18 departments in KY received free membership to the NVFC
- Rest of report is attached to the minutes
- Website is NVFC.org

Special Events: Chris Crawford

- Each E-Board member has been given a banner they can use to take around to events in their area
- Department of Agricultural would like for the KFA to partner with them and a few other agencies at the State Fair. The cost is \$800 a day. They would like for us to sponsor the opening day and then enter a pool for another day. Opening day of the fair is August 14th. All workers of the booth will be wearing a t-shirt of the sponsoring agency for that day.

A motion was made to partner with the Department of Agricultural at the State Fair for opening day and then one other day yet to be determined, at the cost of \$1600.00.

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Steve Kyle

Motion passed via voice vote

Memorial: Ronnie Day

- The 2014 Memorial will be held on October 8th; the group will be leaving for the National Fallen FF Memorial in Emmetsburg on October 9th.
- Pavers are available to help with the monetary upkeep of the memorial grounds and need to be pushed

Honor Guard: Chris Crawford

- Discussed under Finance committee

Housing Board: Rusty Todd

- Attended all meetings of the housing board
- Still in conflict with sprinkler code for multifamily dwellings
- A group was appointed to collect data and conduct an analysis of the info gathered
- It would be helpful if when departments fill out reports, to completely fill out the report. This would help with the data collection
- Rusty's position on the board is up and he is eligible for one more term. We need to submit to the governor's office three names to be considered for appointment.

A motion was made to submit three names with Rusty Todd as one of the names and considered our top choice.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Jeff Pohlman

Motion passed via voice vote

Olympics: Chris Crawford

- Whistles, Stop Watches, marking paint, and a gated Y are need in the trailer

Chapter 75: Jeff Pohlman

- Working with Howdy on a few issues

Steering: Mike Hulsey

- Trip planned to go to Somerset and meet with Tiger Robinson and discuss the Lake Cumberland Association
- Trying to set up a meeting in the Barren River area

Membership: Duane Suttles

- Currently have 416 member departments
- 38 personal memberships
- 37 sustaining memberships
- 24 of the 416 are new members this year

Historical: Mike O'Day

- Working on getting the KFA memorabilia in the history trailer
- Betty Watts contacted committee and has a bunch of conference memorabilia including books, will go through books and see if we can find the missing years

Conference Oversight: Sam Stacy

- Will meet prior to the 2014 conference

Legislative: Gerald Stewart

- Report attached
- Basically nothing got passed but we didn't lose anything either
- Over the next two years the Fire Commission will be swept of over \$38,000,000.00.

Finance Committee: John Wiseman/Duane Suttles

- 2014-2015 proposed budget was presented and reviewed

A motion was made to accept the proposed budget.

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Steve Kyle

Discussion held

- Honor Guard committee is asking for \$9000.00 to purchase new uniforms; discussed having various sizes and members from around the state;
- It was suggested that each VP is to go back to their area and compile a list of 10-12 names to be submitted to the honor guard chairman to use as honor guard members across the state.

Motion and second to accept the budget were withdrawn.

A motion was made to add an additional \$2500.00 to the honor guard line item and the committee to come back to the E-Board with a plan.

Motion/Second

Billy Selvage/Mike Hulsey

Motion passed via voice vote

LAST : Jason Bowling/Tim Brumfield

- Newly appointed committee by President Crawford
- Co-Chairs are Jason Bowling and Tim Brumfield; committee members are Greg Schultz, Joe Baer, and Ronnie Day
- Tim Brumfield explained what the LAST program does and its intent, the National Fallen Firefighters will help with the training
- report attached

Resolutions: Chris Crawford

- All pre filed resolutions are to be submitted to the secretary by June 20th.

Fire Commission: Ronnie Day

- Kentucky's Combat Challenge will be held the weekend of June 14th and 15th

New Business:

- PSOB - Discussion was held on why it takes so long for payment and ways we can help speed up the process

Old Business

- Travel Policy needs to be cleaned up, Secretary Rath will take care of this and bring it back to the next meeting
- Prints from Our Designs - Our Designs refuses to honor our verbal contract and refuses to give us our \$20000.00.

A motion was made to send a certified letter to Our Designs giving option to honor contract or return all product.

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Billy Selvage

Motion passed via voice vote

A motion was made to accept Woody Will's contract for the website and Smoke Signals.

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Mike Hulsey

Motion passed via voice vote

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

Motion/Second

Mike Hulsey/Jeff Pohlman

Motion passed via voice vote

A motion was made to come out of executive session.

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Mike Hulsey

Motion passed via voice vote

The next meeting will be Friday August 1st.

A motion to adjourn was made.

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Mike Hulsey

Motion passed via voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Monica Rath, Secretary

Kentucky Firefighters Association