



Board of Directors Meeting - Tele-Conference

Thursday, October 1st, 2009

NOTE: The next BOD meeting will be a tele-conference held on Thursday, November 5th, 2009 at 9:00am. Conference line and meeting materials will be provided to BOD members prior to meeting date.

President Jim White called the BOD Meeting to order at 9:02am. Under the Bylaws, a quorum was present to hold an official BOD meeting on this date. The meeting was held as a BOD Tele-conference via a conference bridge provided by WGFD.

Board of Directors Present: President Jim White - Winter Park; Vice-President Gerard Ransom - Sanford; Orange County Director Jim Reynolds - Orlando; Seminole County Director Craig Haun - Lake Mary; and Immediate Past-President John Williamson - Winter Garden. The appointed Secretary/Treasurer Chief Steve Gaston (ret) was also present as support to the BOD.

Board Members Absent: Osceola County Director Bob King - Kissimmee; Lake County Director David Dobrzykowski - Minneola; and Director-at-Large Chief Charles Chapman (ret). **Guests:** None.

BOD Meeting minutes (September 3rd, 2009) and General Meeting minutes (September 10th, 2009) were reviewed by the BOD. Motion made by Chief Haun for approval of both meeting minutes as written, seconded by Chief Reynolds, and carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

The Treasury Report (September 2009) was presented by the Treasurer. Motion made by Chief Reynolds, seconded by Chief Haun to approve the financial report as presented. Motion approved by unanimous vote of the Board.

Bills and Communications: General communications e-mailed to membership or agency chiefs as needed throughout the month.

No new membership applications received.

Follow-up report presented by Treasurer on Challenge Coins as speaker touch items. A couple of vendors were contacted for conceptual design discussion and budget pricing options. For 100 custom coins would be approximately \$600-\$700 dollars which includes a one-time set-up fee for coin minting. BOD discussion included the potential of offering these coins to our membership at a to-be-determined price per coin. S/T was authorized to continue research and e-mail design samples and more firm pricing options for BOD input and final approval. Presentation cases were recommended by the BOD for VIPs.

President White discussed the recent Board nomination of Chaplain Vandegriff for the Lifetime Achievement Award. Due to another nominee being selected the BOD approved a special touch item to be presented to Ragan in recognition of this nomination at the upcoming October general membership meeting.

Committee Reports: Under Professional Development, Chief Ransom informed the BOD that the October program will be an agency "round table" for discussing approved budgets and any adverse impacts. The October meeting will also serve as the Chaplain Round-up Program with invites extended by CFFCA via the agency chiefs.

Chief White will coordinate with Chief Ransom on the November program with a potential to bring a special speaker [Larry Sagan] who participated on the National Fire 20/20 Panel on National Diversity.

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Chief Ransom will move Tony Apfelbeck [FM/BO] to January for presenting an update on Fire Codes affecting Fire Chiefs.

The February program will be our CFFCA Retiree Roundup with a return of the Jeff Heard, Financial consultant, to present information on investment strategies.

CFFCA Seminars were discussed by the BOD for potential value to our professional membership and Central Florida Region. Pricing on Reading Smoke was priced at around \$4,000 just for the speaker according to Chief Ransom. He suggested that the BOD think about this and it would be discussed next month as we might get some insight into how department's training budgets are looking.

Old Business: A new Chaplain Roster will be finalized and distributed to all agency chiefs, including each chaplain in attendance at October's roundup "Meet and Greet".

The S/T reported that our 3rd Alarm Partner Showcases are being arranged as needed. TargetSafety will be confirmed for October's meeting showcase.

No further old business.

New Business: The Consent Agenda for the October 8th General Membership Approval was presented to the BOD by the S/T. Motion made by Chief Ransom, seconded by Chief Haun to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion approved by unanimous vote of the Board.

Chief Haun suggested that the BOD look into providing future seminars for Fire/EMS personnel in either half-day or full-day blocks. Chief Ransom will look into this idea under the Professional Development Committee liaison.

President White briefed the BOD members on the current status of District Director 4. Bylaws allow term completion by board members upon retirement only. The S/T will inquire with Chief Dobrzykowski as to his future intentions and status - reporting back such to the BOD.

Chief Reynolds informed the BOD that OFD will be having a very special event on December 2nd at 10AM celebrating their new Headquarters Station #1 site. This is the same site on the anniversary of when Assistant Chief Calvin Bookhart lost his life in the line of duty while battling a commercial building fire in 1972. Invitations will follow at a later date.

ADD-ON ITEM: S/T briefed the BOD members on the donation of the old CFFCA LOGO Board to the Fire Museum in Orlando. More info will follow on this activity.

Hearing no other New Business, President White called for adjournment of the business meeting at 9:48am. Motion made by Chief Haun, seconded by Chief Williamson to adjourn. Motion approved by unanimous vote of the Board.

ATTACHMENTS (1)
Consent Agenda