



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 9th, 2017

CFFCA President Jim White called the March 9th general membership meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. The Roll Call sign-in journal confirmed that a QUORUM was present under the adopted bylaws to conduct official business with membership voting approval on any needed business matters. CFFCA Chaplain Ragan Vandegriff requested any special prayer requests from those present, followed by the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Attendance Summary: *[refer to roster for attendee sign-in and signatures]*

Members Present = 49
Corp Partners Present = 6
Agencies Attending = 15
Guest Agencies = 8
Guests = 22
Total Present = 71

***Note:** 50/50 was collected in the amount of \$346 with \$173 going to the ticket winner [Chief Lauraleigh Avery - OCFRD] with the remaining balance \$173 to be deposited in the CFFCA Treasury.*

Retired Fire Chief Charlie Chapman and Danny McAvoy [Osceola County FR] performed door duty collecting lunch payments and 50/50/Raffle ticket sales as assistance to the Secretary/Treasurer.

All in attendance were given a warm welcome with special acknowledgment of retirees, guests, and FFCA/State dignitaries and members in attendance for the FFCA EC Regional Meeting being held at the conclusion of the CFFCA meeting.

CFFCA President White formally introduced the CFFCA Board of Directors by name and had each stand to be recognized. Special thanks were also extended to Star & Shied and Barry University for co-sponsoring the luncheon to help offset the overhead costs.

Special recognition was given to WPFD engine crew members in attendance who brought a new pumper for display.

Installation of New CFFCA Officers:

The FFCA President Danny Azzariti performed the swearing-in ceremony and Oath of Office with the following CFFCA officers installed for their 2-year terms starting April 1st: CFFCA President - Chief Jim White and District 1 Director [Orange] - Chief Kim Neisler. District 3 Director [Osceola] – Chief Bill Sturgeon was unable to attend due to being out of town on business.

Special CFFCA Presentation by the CFFCA President:

CFFCA President White, with Maria Haun at his side, presented the 2017 CFFCA Fire Chief Craig Haun Leadership Award to Apopka Fire Chief Charles Carnesale in recognition of his stellar leadership and many selfless accomplishments to better his organization and provide a productive working environment for AFD personnel to promote



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and enhance professional development. A very warm applause and standing ovation was given in recognition of this achievement.

Approval of CFFCA Consent Agenda:

CFFCA President presented the Consent Agenda to the CFFCA membership for approval noting that all other meeting business would be suspended to allow adequate time for the FFCA EC Regional Meeting.

1. Approval of General Meeting Minutes of January 12th, 2017. [posted on CFFCA website Home Page]
2. Treasury Report January/February 2017 deferred to April meeting.
3. Nine [9] New Membership Applications were received as follows:

[Principal Memberships]

1. Keith Cartwright, Deputy Chief – Reedy Creek Improvement District
2. James [Jim] Reynolds*, Director – Seminole County Fire Department
3. Corey Bowles, EMS/Training officer – Ocoee Fire Department
4. David Geraghty, Battalion Chief – Sanford Fire Department
5. Timothy Blank, Division Chief – Osceola County Fire Rescue
6. Ivan Mustafa*, Division Chief – Osceola County Fire Rescue
7. Brent Carroll, Division Chief – Osceola County Fire Rescue
8. Robert Marcella, District Chief – Greater Orlando Aviation Authority
9. Daniel Dodd, Battalion Chief – Kissimmee Fire Department

* *Renewing longstanding membership under a new department employer*

Motion made by Chief McGrew and seconded by Chief John Miller to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion approved by unanimous vote of the membership present.

Good of the Order:

Under good of the order, several Fire Chiefs in attendance introduced their newest senior staff members to those present with a warm welcome given to all.

[Roll-in Lunch Buffet Served to all in attendance]

At the conclusion of lunch, CFFCA President White adjourned the CFFCA general meeting and turned the podium and gavel over to the FFCA East Central Director – Chief Gene Prince. Director Prince thanked the CFFCA for hosting the EC Regional Meeting and acknowledged Star & Shield for the lunch sponsorship.



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The Star & Shield Representative [Aundrea] was given the floor to speak for a few minutes on the services provided by Star & Shield.

Director Prince started the EC Regional Meeting with the following list of speakers providing updates to those FFCA members in attendance.

FFCA Agenda:

1. Welcome and Intro – FFCA EC Director Gene Prince
2. FFCA Board Update – FFCA President Danny Azzariti
3. FFCA Admin Update – FFCA Executive Director Ray Colburn
4. FFCA SERP Update – Chairman T.J. Lyon
5. State Fire Marshal's Office Update – Director Halas unable to attend [NOTE: FFCA President covered the update]
6. Florida State Fire College Update – Bureau Chief Mike Tucker
7. Other Business from the Floor
8. Closing Comments and Adjournment – FFCA EC Director Gene Prince