

MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 16, 1991
OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND

The Executive Committee Meeting was called to order by President Thomas A. Mattingly, at 1000 hours at the Ocean City Convention Center. The President called upon Assistant Chaplain Knauer who offered the invocation and led those in attendance in the pledge to allegiance. The President recognized the following Past Presidents who were in attendance: B. H. Shipley, 52-53; R. N. Small, 59-60; J. V. Reckner, 60-61; D. E. Kirk, 63-64; H. B. Hare, 64-65; R. L. Adkins, 65-66; W. M. Moore, 67-68; P. P. Lockery, 68-69; C. N. Ringer, 69-70; G. A. Glaubitz, 70-71; T. L. Reynolds, 71-72; R. L. Wood, 73-74; E. F. Preston, 74-75; C. O. Baker, 78-79; C. B. Burton, 79-80; R. N. Dempsey, 80-81; T. L. Tharp, 81-82; S. N. Stathem, 82-83; C. W. Riley, 83-84; R. J. Smith, 84-85; L. T. King, 85-86; C. D. Carpenter, 86-87; R. P. Cumberland, 87-88; R. H. Shimer, 88-89; and J. R. Robison, 89-90. The President then went into reports of the officers.

PRESIDENT - President Mattingly thanked all committee chairpersons and individuals who have worked on behalf of the Association over the past year for their efforts. He reported on the NVFC Meeting in Laurel, the Congressional Fire Services Caucus Dinner and meetings, and the Maryland Fire Chiefs Association Meeting. He congratulated the Tylerton, Clear Spring, and Bowling Green departments on their new facilities. The President reported on a recent meeting with Dr. Kirwin and others from the University and MFRI in which Dr. Kirwin assured everyone that an action plan would be coming out in the near future.

President Mattingly relayed that the MSP helicopter issue of possibly charging for inter-hospital transfers, a concern over the private ambulance regulations from MIEMSS, and a notification that certain food items will become taxable for fire departments will be turned over to the new officers.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT - Vice President Smith thanked everyone for their support for the past year. He relayed that he has received information from a US Senator that possibly will be of assistance in the Fair Labor Issue.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT - Vice President Fleshman thanked everyone for their support and expressed that it has been an honor to serve the Association.

SECRETARY - Secretary Burton relayed that the Board of Review does not have a single representative elected from Dorchester and Talbot County, which means that this will have to be resolved on the Convention floor.

The meeting was turned over to Executive Committee Chairman Davis who went into Committee Reports.

GOVERNOR'S RECEPTION - Chairman Cumberland went over preliminary plans for the

decorating, train garden, and other portions of the program.

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NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY - Chairman Cumberland discussed preliminary plans for the Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service. He relayed that 102 firefighters were killed in the line of duty in 1990.

N.V.F.C. - Representative Tharp thanked everyone for attending and assisting with the recent NVFC Spring Meeting in Laurel, and the Congressional Fire Services Institute Annual Dinner. He requested that data be forwarded to the NVFC Legislative Chairman for use in developing a distribution strategy for monies hoped for under the National Fire Mobilization Act of 1990.

PRESIDENT'S CAR - Chairman Cooke reported that the new auto, a 1991 Chevrolet Station Wagon has been purchased at a cost of \$18,000. He also relayed that the bid for the 1990 model was \$12,000., making the final cost to the Association for the new vehicle \$5,999.

HALL OF FAME - Chairman Baker reported that consideration should be given to establishing a separate Roll of Honor for fire service personnel who have lost their lives in the line of duty. The Committee recommends that a resolution be presented on the floor of the Convention to establish such a program. After some discussion the following motion was made by D. Mooney and seconded by R. Wood:

MOTION: THAT A RESOLUTION BE PRESENTED ON THE FLOOR OF THE CONVENTION TO ESTABLISH A ROLL OF HONOR FOR FIRE, RESCUE, AND EMS PERSONNEL WHO HAVE LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE LINE OF DUTY, TO BE HANDLED BY THE HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE. Passed.

CENTENNIAL - Chairman Baker asked that individuals who have ordered a Centennial Book and others desiring to purchase one to pick them up as soon as possible. He went over the final bill which has been received for the publishing of the book. The bill reflected some charges which the Committee felt was not correct. The Chairman was advised to go thru the Attorney to try and work out the problems with the bill.

STATE FIRE MARSHAL - Fire Marshal Gabriele related that he has not had any additional information on the proposal to consolidate all law enforcement personnel in the State. He thanked all individuals and departments for the cooperation and assistance throughout the year.

LEGISLATIVE - Chairman Riley relayed that they are checking into the issue of tax being charged for soft drinks and other items at fundraising functions of volunteer departments. He reported on a meeting that was held to discuss possible alternative funding for the 508 Program, with the Speaker of the House of Delegates. During this meeting the possible funding mechanism coming from the insurance premiums paid in the State.

M.F.R.I. - Director Hoglund thanked all the departments and individuals for the cooperation

and assistance throughout the past year.

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TRAINING - Chairman Fairfax relayed that the new Ten Year Training Plan has been received from the printer and will be distributed to all departments at Thursdays Executive Committee Meeting.

PROGRAM - Chairman Thomas stressed the importance of keeping all presentations on the stage on time, due to a very full program.

PUBLIC RELATIONS - Chairman Gatton relayed that members of his Committee will be assisting with information and media contacts during the Convention. He asked that all County Associations provide a list of events and meetings to the Committee.

CONVENTION - Chairman King went over last minute details of the Convention and briefly discussed each event. He thanked everyone for their assistance and cooperation during the year.

The following motion was made by G. Blanco and seconded by R. Wood:

MOTION: THAT THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 20 & 21, 1991 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING BE APPROVED. Passed.

Executive Committee Chairman Davis thanked the Officers, Executive Committee members, committee chairpersons, and others for their efforts and cooperation during the year. He then turned the meeting over to President Mattingly. President Mattingly called upon President Mary Fran Crisman of the Ladies Auxiliary.

President Crisman thanked President Mattingly, Officers, and others for the cooperation and working relationship during the past year. Senior Vice President Slifka thanked everyone for the support and cooperation she has received during the year.

There being no further business to come before the Executive Committee the meeting was adjourned with the benediction by Assistant Chaplain Knauer.

Respectfully submitted,

Office of the Secretary
Charles B. Burton
William A. Hawkins
Leonard T. King
Ralph A. Dull

