

**MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**JUNE 18, 1992**  
**OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND**

The Executive Committee Meeting was called to order by President William J. Fleshman at 0930 hours at the Ocean City Volunteer Fire Company Headquarters Station. Chaplain Damewood offered the opening prayer and led the pledge to allegiance. President Fleshman thanked everyone for their vote of confidence in electing him as President of this great Association and pledged to serve the Association to the best of his abilities. First Vice President Phil Hurlock thanked everyone for the support and confidence in him. Second Vice President Richard Yinger thanked everyone for their support and relayed that by being the "new kid on the block" pledged to serve the Association.

President Fleshman introduced President Janet Pfeiffer of the Ladies Auxiliary. President Pfeiffer offered the assistance and cooperation of the Auxiliary. The President recognized Senior Vice President Gayle Jester and Junior Vice President Eloise Busl of the Auxiliary who both pledge their support and assistance.

Secretary Burton, Treasurer Saville, and Chaplain Damewood, thanked everyone for their support and assistance and pledged their dedication to the Association.

Secretary Fatkin of the Board of Trustees commented on the apparent lack of recognition given to the members of the Board of Trustees. He relayed that the Trustees are elected officers of this Association. He reported that the death benefits for a member of the Middle River Volunteer Fire Department have not been paid due to a mix up in the proper paperwork. He reported that the officers of the Board of Trustees for the coming year are: Richard Powell, Chairman; Charles Riley, Vice Chairman, and Francis Fatkin, Secretary.

President Fleshman announced that the tentative dates for the Executive Committee Meetings are: August 8 & 9 in Beltsville; October 24 & 25 in Ocean City; January 9 & 10, 1993, in Mount Airy; January 25 in Annapolis for the Legislative Reception; April 24 & 25 in Midland; and June 13 in Ocean City.

President Fleshman introduced the following Past Presidents who were in attendance: R. Dempsey, C. Riley, G. Glaubitz, J. Robison, C. Carpenter, T. Mattingly, P. Lochary, S. Stathem, L. Thompson, O. Baker, R. Cumberland, R. Wood, E. Dunn, D. Kirk, L. King, and B. Smith.

The President turned the meeting over to Chairman Roy Wood of the Executive Committee. Members of the Executive Committee are: R. Wood, F. Jester, G. Blanco, C. Stack, G. Curfman, G. Worthington, R. Winters, M. Robinson, D. Mooney, H. Cornell, and B. Smith.

The following motion was made by C. Stack and seconded by G. Blanco:

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**MOTION: TO APPROVE THE BONDING FOR THE OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS OF THE ASSOCIATION. Passed.**

Chairman Wood relayed that the reimbursement for Executive Committee Meeting travel will stay the same as in the past unless someone brings up another policy. Hearing none he moved on to the next order of business dealing with inventory. He asked that the Data Systems Chairman and the Insurance Advisory Chairman further review the inventory list of property owned by the Association. The Insurance Advisory Chairman advised that any item with a value of less than \$50.00 has been deleted from the list.

G. Cross relayed that the officers of the Emergency Assistance Trust Fund Board of Review are: George Cross, Chairman; David Davenport, Vice Chairman; and Louis D' Camera, Secretary.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE - Chairman Thomas thanked many individuals and organizations for the cooperation, assistance, and understanding, given to him and the committee for the past four years. He went over the various aspects of the Program of this years convention.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE - Chairman King thanked his committee, the officers, and members of the Association for their support and cooperation during the convention and the past year. He reported that the available convention dates are: June 13-16, 1993; June 19-22, 1994; June 18-21, 1995; and June 16-19, 1996. He discussed the various aspects of the work of the Convention Committee which is a year long process. Chairman Wood, on behalf of the Association, thanked everyone who helped put on the convention for a job well done.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE - Chairman L. Woods reported that a profit of around \$8900. will be realized from the sale of the various convention items.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE - Chairman J. Means relayed that the raffle took in around \$30,000. which will realize about \$15,000. profit for the year.

BUDGET AND REVIEW COMMITTEE - Chairman Hurlock reported that the budget meeting will be held the last Sunday in July at Citizens Truck Company in Frederick. He urged all chairpersons to keep in mind the current fiscal constraints which we are under when making their requests.

PRESIDENT'S AUTOMOBILE COMMITTEE - Chairman J. Mattingly reported that they have some problems with the highest bid due to delivery time, a scratch, and mileage, on the automobile. The following motion was made by R. Winters and seconded by G. Worthington:

**MOTION: TO LEAVE THE DECISIONS ON THE AUTOMOBILE TO THE COMMITTEE TO ACT IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE ASSOCIATION. Passed.**

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R. Cumberland reported that the Past Presidents of the Association have met and organized with R. Cumberland as Chairman, G. Glaubitz as Vice Chairman, and R. Shimer as Secretary/Treasurer. He advised that they will be reporting to the Association as a group.

M.I.E.M.S.S. - R. Shaefer distributed copies of the proposed Commercial Ambulance Regulations for everyone's information.

M.F.R.I. - Director John Hoglund spoke to the Association covering an update of the activities at MFRI, his term as the Director, and thanked everyone for their very fine support over the year. Everyone thanked John for his sincere dedication to the emergency services of Maryland.

TRAINING COMMITTEE - Chairman R. Watkins reported to the Association on proposed pilot classes to be offered in the near future, and feel that the classes should be offered. The following motion was made by G. Worthington and seconded by F. Jester:

**MOTION: TO CONCUR WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TRAINING COMMITTEE. Passed.**

The following motion was made by C. Stack and seconded by M. Robinson:

**MOTION: TO AUTHORIZE \$308. FUNDING FOR THE DIRECTORY COMMITTEE. Passed.**

The following motion was made by F. Jester and seconded by G. Blanco:

**MOTION: TO APPROVE THE DATES OF THE 1996 CONVENTION OF JUNE 16-19. Passed.**

The meeting was turned back to President Fleshman who offered remarks. The Board of Public Works has approved the funding for construction of the new College Park Volunteer Fire Department. On August 23rd., everyone is invited to attend a special viewing and open house of the Leslie B. Thompson Room at the Gladhill Farm and Fire Museum in Damascus starting at 1000 hours. The President asked the Convention Committee to think of a repeat performance of the reenactment of the first convention meeting at the 1993 Convention. The President appointed a committee consisting of: D. Mooney, Chairman; G. Cross; L. D' Camera; R. Wood; and F. Jester; to study the Emergency Assistance Trust Fund.

Chaplain Damewood offered the benediction. There being no further business to come before the Association the meeting was adjourned at 1220 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Office of the Secretary  
Charles B. Burton  
William A. Hawkins

Leonard T. King  
Ralph E. Dull