

MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

**June 15, 1997
Ocean City, Maryland**

The Executive Committee Meeting was held at the Ocean City Convention Center on Sunday, June 15, 1997. The meeting was called to order by President Stephan D. Cox. Harry Hetz spoke on the condition of Chaplain Damewood and gave the opening prayer and led the pledge to the flag. President Cox gave his welcome, made some general comments and then introduced the Past Presidents. He then called upon LA Auxiliary President Thorne for some remarks.

President - President Cox spoke on the accomplishments of the year, and specifically spoke on the task force to be named reference the 508 funding.

First Vice President - Vice President Davis made some remarks, and thanked everyone for their support.

Second Vice President - Vice President Knippenburg made some remarks and thanked everyone for their support.

Secretary - Secretary King remarked on the good working relationship over the past year, and reported that the Executive Committee had to vote on the membership application from the Whiteford Volunteer Fire Company. He reminded everyone that registration will start at the conclusion of this meeting and went over the various events of the convention.

Treasurer - Treasurer Saville thanked the Budget Committee and other for their assistance.

The meeting was turned over to Executive Committee Chair Richard Brooks.

Standards Committee - Chairman Huttenloch presented the report of the inspection that had been made of the Whiteford VFC, and that they had met the M.S.F.A. Standards. The following motion was made by G. Curfman and seconded by F. Jester:

MOTION: That the Whiteford Volunteer Fire Company of Harford County be accepted into membership of the M.S.F.A. Motion Passed.

Federal Legislation - B. Cumberland updated activity around the FLSA issue, meeting to be held on June 20 for discussion. NVFC legislative consultant attended hearing on HB404 for transfer of real property. NFPA 1200 met recently in Baltimore with the draft being sent back to committee and withdrew it from the 1997 standards.

National Fire Academy Liaison - B. Cumberland reported that the Foundation has assumed responsibility for the National Memorial Service.

Office of the Attorney - Roger Powell reported that Baltimore County is now faced with the FLSA issue, and will be asking the Association for support. He also reported that he is reviewing with MBNA on an insurance program, and asked the Executive Committee to endorse the program. The following motion was made by P. Sterling and seconded by G. Blanco:

MOTION: That the Association support the Baltimore County initiative on FLSA, by ability to say that they have M.S.F.A. in pursuing resolution. Motion Passed.

After discussion on the MBNA proposal it was decided by consensus to forward this to the new administration.

Trustees - Chairman Riley spoke on last report given in April reference the Donald Trice Case, received ruling from Attorney General's Office stating correct decision. The Trustees accepted the letter, the case is closed.

President's Vehicle Committee - Chairman J. Mattingly has received three sealed bids, do not have a trade in value. Chair Brooks asked for the guidelines to proceed, not available. Bill Cooke gave the NADA book value for loan, trade in and retail. Process was referred back to committee for action.

Transportation - Chairman Yinger stated that MVA has approved a second tag for all Past Presidents. Those who desire a second tag should contact him for procedures.

President Cox commented on the car value problem, he felt it would be unfair for him to get a trade in value since he would be bidding for the vehicle, and that he had made this known to the car committee.

MIEMSS - Dr. Bass presented a written report and commented from the report.

President's Vehicle Committee - Chairman J. Mattingly reported that the committee recommends taking the low and high figures from the NADA book of \$12,000. - \$16,000. He then opened the bids - Hollywood VFD, \$11,600.; Stephan Cox, \$12,782.; and Robert Cox, \$12,830. The following motion was made by P. Sterling and seconded by G. Blanco:

MOTION: To accept the high bid based on the NADA book value and award the car to Robert Cox. Motion Passed.

After closing remarks by President Cox a closing prayer was offered by Harry Hetz. There being no further business to come before the Executive Committee the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Office of the Secretary
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