

MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 14, 1998
Ocean City, Maryland

The Executive Committee Meeting was held at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center on Sunday, June 14, 1998. The meeting was called to order by President C. Daniel Davis, Jr. The President announced that the new 1-800-FIRELINE phone number for recruitment is now operational in Maryland. Assistant Chaplain Hetz gave the opening prayer followed by the pledge to the flag. President Davis gave his welcome and recognized the following Past Presidents in attendance: D. E. Kirk, 63-64; P. P. Lochary, 68-69; G. A. Glaubitz, 70-71; T. L. Reynolds, 71-72; R. L. Wood, 73-74; E. F. Preston, 74-75; E. E. Dunn, 76-77; C. O. Baker, 78-79; C. W. Riley, 83-84; L. T. King, 85-86; C. D. Carpenter, 86-87; R. P. Cumberland, 87-88; R. H. Shimer, 88-89; J. R. Robison, 89-90; T. A. Mattingly, 90-91; B. J. Smith, 91-92; W. J. Fleshman, 92-93; P. M. Hurlock, 93-94; R. L. Yinger, 94-95; F. R. Cross, 95-96; and S. D. Cox, 96-97. President Davis recognized those guests in attendance including Ladies Auxiliary President Robin Browning. He then went into officers reports.

Vice Presidents Knippenburg and Edelin thanked everyone for their support and cooperation. Secretary King, Financial Secretary Jacobs, Treasurer Saville and Assistant Chaplain Hetz thanked everyone for their support and cooperation and thanked their assistants for their dedication during the past year. Treasurer Saville thanked everyone for their expressions of concern during his recent illness. The meeting was then turned over to Executive Committee Chair C. Dan Carpenter.

M. Bilger reported that Carroll County will be seeking a Volunteer Coordinator position, their budget process went well, looking into placing ALS units in the county, and that they will be starting ambulance billing July, 1999. L. Sachs reported that Baltimore County is pleased with the budget but distressed with the FLSA position. C. Jewell reported that Frederick County is looking at a countywide fire tax. R. Brooks spoke on a recent death within his department. G. Blanco reported on the tornado damages in Allegany County. R. Steger welcomed everyone to Ocean City and reported that Worcester County is looking into a countywide LOSAP program. H. Rhue reported on the status of ALS in Dorchester County. J. Ransom reported on the recent firefighter injury in Prince George's County. P. Sterling reported on the upcoming total reorganization in Montgomery County.

Attorney Powell spoke on the California Casualty issue reference soliciting. He suggested that he write again to cease, if not comply then sue for damages. President Davis read a letter sent to Vice President Edelin from California Casualty which stated that they are sponsored by the M.S.F.A. The following motion was made by M. Bilger and seconded by L. Sachs:

Motion: To have the Attorney write another letter to California Casualty Company. Voice vote taken. Motion Passed.

President's Vehicle - Chair Leftwich stated that the car is being equipped, however, the car is not here at the request of the Vice President. The transfer of tags will be done Tuesday. He stated that a new insurance policy must be obtained for approximately \$1,100. Chairman Carpenter asked if

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any repairs were needed to the second car. The reply was none presently. The following motion was made by L. Sachs and seconded by R. Steger:

Motion: That an insurance policy be procured. Voice vote taken. Motion Passed.

National Volunteer Fire Council - Representative Cumberland gave an update on the last meeting held. The 21st Century Program will receive \$500,000. and will be distributed to all states at about \$4,000. The NVFC will now have a seat on the NFPA Board. B. Cumberland has been appointed as the alternate to the NFPA 1021 Committee representing the NVFC. The Council will again conduct national seminars this year, 1-800-FIRELINE now in 14 states. He further spoke on the FLSA problem, FEMA problems and VIP dates at the National Fire Academy.

Memorial - D. Mooney updated the group reference the activities, \$4,000. Grant OK.

EMS - C. Wills reported on tag funding summer session by legislature.

Fire Prevention - B. Collins updated everyone on the letter written to state government reference the billboards requests.

Ways & Means - J. Means reported on the raffle and asked that all tickets be turned in early.

Safety - J. Mattingly requested that everyone familiarize themselves with the new facility.

Convention - L. King relayed that we have already outgrown the new facility with about 40 pieces of equipment being outside. He then went over the events of the convention and conference. He asked that everyone thank the exhibitors for their participation and spoke on the new Corporate Partnership Program. Maryland Fire Chief's Association, Volunteer Firemen's Insurance Services, Allsafe Fire Equipment, and American Fire Equipment are Gold Corporate Partners. Potomac Fire Equipment and Provident Insurance are Silver Corporate Partners, and R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center and Firefighter Challenge are Bronze Corporate Partners.

Special Activities - L. Woods gave an overview of the items for sale.

Chairman Carpenter thanked President Davis for the opportunity to serve as the Executive Committee Chair and thanked all for working hard during the year. President Davis addressed the group again thanking everyone, and called upon Assistant Chaplain Hetz for the closing prayer. There being no further business to come before the Executive Committee the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Office of the Secretary
Leonard T. King, P.P.
J. Edward Cross
Gene Worthington
Charles B. Burton, P.P.