

**MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION**



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**June 19, 2011  
Ocean City, Maryland**

**CALL TO ORDER** – Scheduled meeting was called to order this date by Chair D. **Stevens** at 0900 hours at Ocean City Maryland.

**OPENING PRAYER** – Opening prayer was given by Chaplain Walbert.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG** – D. Stevens led the Pledge to the Flag.

**WELCOME** – President Cox welcomed everyone to Ocean City. He discussed the nice President's Dinner last night and thanked everyone for attending. He welcomed and thanked the LA-MSFA in attendance.

**V.P. LEWIS** – VP Lewis thanked President Cox for his guidance and support to him this past year, and to VP Denver for his support and companionship throughout the year. He looks forward to this Convention and the coming year.

**V.P. DENVER** – VP Denver thanked President Cox for his guidance and leadership, and VP Lewis for his support this past year. He looks forward to this coming year with MSFA.

**ATTENDANCE** – The following officers and members are present at this meeting today at Ocean City:

**Past Presidents** – O. Baker (78-79), J. Robison (89-90), T. Mattingly (90-91), B. Smith (91-92), P. Hurlock (93-94), R. Yinger (94-95), F. Cross (95-96), S. Cox (96-97), D. Davis (97-98), R. Knippenburg (98-99), R. Steger (2000-01), J. Mattingly (01-02), G. Worthington (02-03), T. Thompson

(03-04), R. Jacobs (04-05), L. Sachs (05-06), P. Sterling (07-08), F. Underwood (08-09), R. Powell (09-10).

**Trustees** – S. Hales, D. Carpenter, G. Worthington, D. Alexander. S. Hales reported in the financial status of the Committee. The committee did not receive any additional funding this year. They will continue to strive for additional funding in the future. Effective 1 July 2011. The children will get a raise of \$50 until they reach the age of 18. The adults will also receive a raise of \$50 (from \$525 to \$550).

**LA-MSFA** – Pres. S. Lutz, VP S. Soper, Sec C.Hayden, Treas. AP. Davis, Color D. Struntz. President Lutz thanked MSFA for their help, cooperation and guidance this past year.

**Guests** – SFM B. Barnard.

**WELCOME** – On behalf of the Mayor of Ocean City, R. Steger welcomed everyone to Ocean City.

## **REPORTS –**

**TREASURER** – R. Siarnicki discussed the financial status of the MSFA this past year. He discussed handout given to each member of the Executive Committee. He discussed the Assets of the MSFA, and the General Fund. He said they have found a way to set aside a few dollars for upcoming needs.

**DUES** - F. Cross said we have an outstanding Bill from the trumpet, and 5 companies have not yet paid their Dues for this past year. He asked for advice on what to do now? The following motion was made by J. Seavey and 2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Fishack:

**MOTION – To approve decision to allow up to two weeks more for the five (5) Company's that have not yet paid their Annual Dues, to pay them. If they have not paid their Dues by that time, they will be dropped from the Membership of the MSFA.**

Motion was approved by all.

**MINUTES –** It was noted the Executive Committee meeting minutes for November 2010, February 2011, and April 2011, have not yet been approved, and need to do so. The following motion was made by B. Kurtz and 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Bilger:

**MOTION – To approve the Meeting Minutes of the MSFA Executive Committee for November 2010, February 2011, and April 2011 as presented and distributed.** Motion was approved by all.

**ASSISTANT SECRETARY -** J. Olson reported that Asst. Secretary J. Cooper is stepping down as Assistant Secretary. President D. Cox presented Assistant Secretary Emeritus status to J. Cooper, and thanked him for his many years of service. J. Cooper was very surprised, and thanked the Executive Committee for the honor.

**BY-LAWS –** D. Skinner reported the By-Laws Questions will be on the Ballot this week.

**PRESIDENT'S VEHICLE –** The 2007 Ford has been sent out for bids and six (6) bids were received and the highest bid received was \$5525.25 from C. Jackson. After discussion, the following motion was made by B. Kurtz and 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Carter:

**MOTION – To approve and accept the bid of \$5525.25 from C. Jackson for the 2007 Ford vehicle. The vehicle is sold “as is” at the time of receipt of the car. Motion was approved by all.**

**GOOD OF COMMITTEE –**

**990’s** - R. Powell discussed the 501C3 tax status problems and read a list for those in doubt at this time. All of them have failed to file a 990 for three (3) consecutive years. D. Cox added to that list of those organizations that are also defunct.

**BILL HUTTENLOCH** – C. Moe recognized Bill who passed this past month, and recognized Elaine for her attendance here today.

**S. Carter** said it has been a good year and he looks forward to the coming year.

**J. Guntow** thanked everyone for their prayers and support.

**B. Kurtz** gave his condolences in the recent lost of Ray Brounley.

**W. Donaldson** thanked D. Cox for his appointment last year and looks forward to the new year.

**R. Smith** thanked the President for the appointment and looks forward to this coming year.

**M. Bilger** thanked everyone for their support and looks forward to the coming year.

**B. Hildebrand** thanked everyone for the appointment and support and looks forward to the coming year.

**D. Stevens** thanked everyone for their support this past year with the Executive Committee, committee's and guests, and **look forward to** the coming year.

**G. Worthington** read and discussed email received from Jerry Rogers regarding the Charles Riley donations that are low at this time. It is a concern for all of us about this program. He said the Memorial has a table downstairs for donations, and asks everyone to visit it this week.

**President's** Lewis, Denver, and Cox, all thanked everyone for their support this past year and look forward to the coming year.

**CLOSING PRAYER** – The closing prayer was given by Chaplain Walbert.

**ADJOURNMENT** – With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1030 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph A. Cooper, Secretary

Leonard T. King Sr., Secretary Emeritus

Ronald E. Watkins

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