

MEETING DRAFT MINUTES
Oregon Fire Chiefs Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, October 2, 2009
Oxford Suites – Pendleton, Oregon

CALL TO ORDER: President Mark Prince called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

ROLL CALL:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mark Prince, President
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tay Robertson, 1 st Vice President
<input type="checkbox"/>	Doug Branch, 2 nd Vice President
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ted Kunze, Past President
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Don Bemrose, 1-Year Director
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dale Kamrath, 2-Year Director
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	John Nohr, 3-Year Director
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Hansen, 4-Year Director
<input type="checkbox"/>	Paul LeSage, WFCOA Representative

Staff: Jeff Griffin, Executive Director; Jennifer Petrizzi,

Ex-Officios: Dennis Simons, Chaplain

Others in attendance: Assistant Chief Scott Stanton, Hermiston; Fire Chief John Fowler, Pendleton

Dennis Simons delivered the invocation.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Mark Prince, Ken Armstrong and Ted Kunze will meet to discuss upcoming legislative strategy. Mark asked the Board to submit comments and any possible agenda items to staff. Ted Kunze suggested the Board consider investigating the rules for fire districts concerning burning regulations. Ted reviewed the itinerary for the October 26th OEM meeting scheduled with General Caldwell.

EX-OFFICIO REPORTS

Office of State Fire Marshal: No report.

DPSST: Deputy Director Eriks Gabliks submitted a written report.

OFMAA: President Scott Shepherd submitted a letter for approval under new business.

OFSHG: Phil Burk submitted email report.

OSOA: Mark Prince reported on the first well attended OSOA meeting. The group worked on the development of the bylaws.

Western Fire Chiefs Association: Paul LeSage emailed the Board a report. Jeff Griffin reported that Paul and Jeff Johnson were meeting with ISO. Jeff advised the Board that Jeff Johnson is meeting with legislators. Jeff advised the Board to begin considering a replacement for Paul LeSage as Western's representative. Jeff Griffin reported on GPO.

Governor's Fire Service Policy Council: No report.

OFSOA: Mark Prince asked for a representative to attend the Thursday, October 15th banquet. Ted Kunze will attend.

FINANCIAL REPORT/CONSENT AGENDA

Jeff griffin reported on membership. Mark Prince will review the list of departments who do not have members. **Moved by Ted Kunze, seconded by Kamrath to accept the financials and the September 3, 2009 consent agenda as presented. Motion passed.**

OLD BUSINESS

A. Policy round #5: **Moved by Dale Kamrath, seconded by Mike Hansen to approve the recommended edits on policies 301. Moved by Dale Kamrath, seconded by Ted Kunze to approve recommended edits on policies 302, 303, 304, 305 and 307. Motions passed.**

- B. Unemployment white paper update: Ted Kunze reported that the white paper is on scheduled to be completed by spring conference.
- C. IRS update: Jeff Griffin reported that Jeff Johnson is meeting October 7th with legislators.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Street Design: Mark Prince notified the Board of a planning meeting.
- B. Fire Defense Board meeting expense: Mike Hansen asked the Board to consider reimbursing for long distance Fire Defense Board meeting attendance. **Moved by Dale Kamrath, seconded by Ted Kunze to reimburse Board members for travel dictated by state per diem while a policy is being drafted. Motion passed.**
- C. OFIA Safety Symposium: **Moved by Dale Kamrath, seconded by Mike Hansen to support OFIA by providing a reduced rate ad in the OFCA directory. .Motion passed.**
- D. OFMAA OARS rule change: **Moved by Mike Hansen, seconded by Don Bemrose to support the OFMAA letter for mass dispensing of approved immunizations. Motion passed.**
- E. Seismic Grant Committee rep: **Moved by Dale Kamrath, seconded by Don Bemrose to appoint Joe Parrot as the OFCA representative to the Seismic Rehabilitation Grant Committee. Motion passed**

STAFF REPORT

Mark Prince reported that APSO/NENA welcomes a fire service representative. **Motion by Don Bemrose, seconded by Dale Kamrath to have Eugene Fire Chief Randy Grove represent OFCA to the APCO/NENA program. Motion passed.**

Mark Prince appointed Dale Kamrath to be the Board liaison to Baker County Fire Defense Board.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Jeff Griffin reported on recent OR-OSHA inspections. Jeff will contact OFCA representatives. He advised the Board on the following:

- Expo
- Workman Compensation rates
- IAFF activities
- Grants – Jeff Griffin requested to resubmit the MRSA grant. Ted will talk with Dave Philips for ideas of someone to work with OFCA on editing the grant.
- Joint Conference

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- Don Bemrose reported on Joint conference vendor communications.
- Mark advised the Board of the Firefighter council meeting October 16th.
- Ted reminded the Board to forward any white paper information to him.
- Dale Kamrath asked for any comments or concerns for his OFIA planning process.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- John Nohr discussed issues with BOLI. John will forward information to Mark and Ted. He discussed the illegal fireworks issue and asked the board to forward their concerns for him to address at the OSFM committee meeting.
- Dennis Simons discussed the honor guard financial situation. The Board discussed several avenues of financial consideration. Don Bemrose will be the Honor guard liaison.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:42am.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 4, 2009 at 10:00am at the OFDDA/OFCA Joint conference at the Riverhouse in Bend, Oregon.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Petrizzi
Administrative Staff