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Piedmont North Carolina Firefighter's Association

Quarterly Association Meeting

October 23, 2013

6:30 pm

North Carolina Emergency Management

Welcome by President Ron Fowler. Special thanks to EM for use of their facilities.

President Fowler introduced board members:

Ron Fowler – President

Brian Cox – 1st VP

Steve Neal – 2nd VP

Ed Brinson – Treasurer

Chris Langham – North Director

A.C. Rich – South Director

Tommy Cole – Past President

Kathy Weatherspoon – Executive Secretary

Invocation given by Chris.

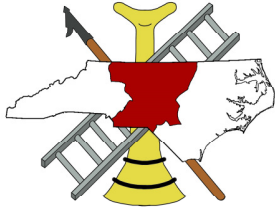
Meal – Sponsored by MES. President Fowler thanked MES for sponsoring the meal tonight. MES thanked everyone for their business and to call if you need anything.

Approval of Minutes from July 24, 2013 Meeting: Minutes were distributed for everyone's review. No changes. Motion to approve made by Len Needham and seconded by Steve Robinson. Passes.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report was distributed for everyone's review. Motion to approve made by Steve Robinson and seconded by James Griffin.

Association / Agency Reports

1. NCSFA: Tim Bradley reported that the Board held retreat in Ballston, NC. The Board accomplished a lot of work during retreat. One important item, Relief Fund Report, is due October 31. Several are lacking submission or some paperwork. Some changes made in scholarship program. Beginning January 1, the Board will be giving \$10,000 in grants. Criteria in process of being developed. Roster renewal 2014 has some changes to it this year. Certification of members must be submitted on line between December 1-January 15, 2014. Please submit roster in December and wait till after January 15 to remove or make any changes to the roster. Meeting in



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planning between NCSFA, NCAFC, Eastern, Piedmont, and Western Associations before mid-winter conference. Need contact from every county who can be called on if needed for legislature issues that might arise. Several studies in process requested by legislature body. Tommy Cole introduced NCSFA board members that were in attendance.

2. NCAFC – Steve Neal gave report. We lost our fire representative on the Emergency Council. Looks like another position will be added to the Board for a fire representative. Mid Winter Conference is February 6-9, 2014 in Concord. IMAS program update given. Putting together a data base of resources available across the state for deployment when needed.

3. OSFM – Derrick Clauson reported for OSFM. Several schools are on-going or coming up. FF1 and FF2 will be combined as just firefighter. Re-certification for fire, rescue and EMS instructors will be starting soon. Fire officer 111 classes on going. Hope to finish paperwork for Fire Officer IV. Handout was given about ISO Rating class that will be held in Durham County in January 2014 for those interested. Several classes being held across the state.

4. Emergency Management – Steve Powers, Central Branch Manager, gave update on things going on in EM. Several classes coming up. April 22-23 will be date for State-wide drill for hurricane preparedness.

5. Community College – Chris Raynor gave update. Doing twice month data update on training at request of OSFM.

6. NCFFF – Robert Templeton reported for the Foundation. We have had 4 LODDs this year so far. State Fair booth is ongoing till Sunday. Fundraiser ongoing. Several fundraisers held across the state. Robert gave report from Expo. Corn hold tournament was a huge success. Online store is now up and running. Please pass on. Several attended the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation. Huge contingent from the State of North Carolina. Thanks to Chief's who allow their staff to attend.

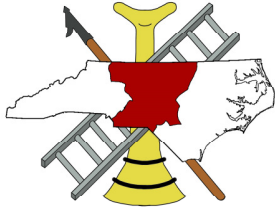
Vendor Briefs

1. LGFCU – Bill Carter introduced staff who attended with him. Remember them if you need financing.
2. Atlantic Solutions – Frank Suggs reported that they had trucks to sell. If you need anything, let him know.
3. Piedmont Fire Expo – Brochure distributed. Coming up January 17-18, 2014.
4. Warrenton Fire Department – Walter Gardner thanked everyone who participated in the fire truck parade. Did not break record but will try again next year. Warrenton will host a free workshop on December 7. Information was distributed. Guest speaker will be Chief Jeff Cash.

Old Business - None

New Business

Election of Officers – Nominating committee report was given by Tommy Cole.



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1st VP Steve Neal
2nd VP Chris Lantham
South Director – AC Rich
North Director – Chris Davis
Treasurer – Ed Brinson

Automatic election:
President – Brian Cox
Past President – Ron Fowler

Vote was taken on each position:

1st VP Steve Neal. Motion to elect Steve made by Tommy Reid and seconded by Len Needham. Passes

2nd VP – Chris Lantham. Motion to elect made by Steve Robinson seconded Mark Haraway. Passes.

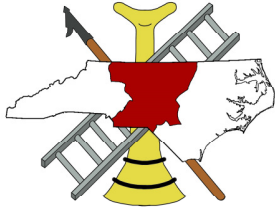
South Director – Motion to elect made by Ed Brinson and seconded by Scott Rue. Passes.

North Director – motion to elect Chris Davis made by Jerry Brooks and seconded by James Griffin. Passes.

Treasurer – motion to elect Ed Brinson made by Walter Gardner and seconded by Len Needham. Passes.

Tommy Cole reported that the Board of Directors would like to change bylaws to create a fourth member group – Honorary Lifetime Membership that would include past Presidents and others as selected by the Board. This position is a non-voting and no due position. Motion by Phillip Richardson and seconded to add to bylaws. Vote will be taken at next meeting to add to bylaws.

Program — North Carolina Emergency Management, Emergency Operations Center
Joe Wright, Deputy Director, Emergency Management, gave a brief overview of Emergency Management and how it works across the state. His presentation included a breakdown of what happens during an emergency/mutual aid resources in the state and how it takes lots of people to coordinate everything and carry out the operations.



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Next Meeting – January 22, 2014 at 6:30 pm in Cumberland County. Officers will be sworn in at the January meeting.

Adjourn

Officers

*Ron Fowler
President*

*Brian Cox
1st Vice-President*

*Steve Neal
2nd Vice-President*

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