

PIEDMONT NORTH CAROLINA FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION
QUARTERLY MEETING
OCTOBER 23, 2019
DREWRY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Call to Order: President A. C. Rich called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM.

Pledged of Allegiance

Opening Comments: President Rich welcomed everyone and thanked Chief Charles Holtzman and the staff at Drewry Fire Department for hosting meeting and cooking the food. Thanks to CIVIC Federal Credit Union for sponsoring the meal tonight. Bill Carter, CIVIC, thanked everyone for all of their support and Drewry Fire Department staff for the awesome home cooked meal. He introduced CIVIC staff that were in attendance.

Vendors: Several vendors in attendance were recognized.

Prayer: Chris Davis opened meeting with prayer.

Introduction of officers:

A.C. Rich – President, Youngsville FD/Northern Wake FD
Chris Davis – 1st VP, Clemmons FD
Dolly Hulin – 2nd VP Thomasville FD
Brian Causey - South Director, Guil-Rand FD
Steven Roberson – North Director, City of King FD
Ed Brinson – Treasurer, Fairview FD Retired
Kathy Weatherspoon – Executive Secretary, Bahama FD
Chris Langham – Past President, Kernersville FD (excused)

Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the July 2019 meeting were distributed to each attendee for review and approval. Motion to accept was made and seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report

Ed Brinson presented the treasurer's report for last quarter. A copy of financial report was distributed to each attendee for review. Current total of all accounts is \$36,041.87. Motion to accept report was made and seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Agency Reports

- 1. NCSFA** – Ed Brinson reported for the NCSFA. Past Presidents and current Board members in attendance were recognized and introduced. Relief fund reports are due October 31. Please remind your Relief treasurers of deadline. Certification of rosters due date is coming soon. SAFRE attendance was highest in history. Great conference. Great speakers. Planning for 2020 SAFRE have already begun. Ed Brinson reported on legislature bills for this year. Most of our bills were not acted on this year.
- 2. NCAFC** – Tracey Mosley spoke on the volunteer recruitment and retention initiative that the NCAFC is heading up. NC fire departments have picked up over 300 new volunteers over 14 departments since initiative started. Kevin Gordon recognized past and present board members present. Mid-Winter is coming up in January. Hotels are filling up. Registration closes December

6. Initiative for NCAFC license plates is not going very well at this time. They needed 500 interested in purchasing these before they can be ordered. Several other updates were given.
3. **NCFFF** –Kathy Weatherspoon reported for the NCFFF.
4. **NC Society of Fire/Rescue Instructors** – No report.
5. **OSFM** – Mike Williams and Scott Hackler reported on updates. OSFM Quarterly Report was distributed for review.
6. **SEAFAC** – Len Needham reported on updates. SEAFAC will hold a health and wellness symposium in Atlanta in January. 2020 Conference will be in May in Atlanta. Chief Needham will be sworn in as President at that conference and would love to have participation and attendance at the Conference. Several other items were covered.
7. **NC Community Colleges** – No report.
8. **NC Emergency Management** – No report.
9. **NVFC** – No report.

Old Business –

1. PNCFA By-Laws changes:
 - a. “At Large” Regional Director updates
 - b. Adding County Fire Marshall Offices to the membership definitions in the PNCFA By-Laws
 - c. Adding Fire & Life Safety Educator (FLSE) Award to the annual awards list.

Motion to accept by-laws changes made by Scott Hackler and seconded by Len Needham. Motion carries unanimously.

New Business –

1. PNCFA North director’s election process – Each applicant was given 5 minutes to introduce their self and give a brief history of their qualifications. North Director applicants:
 - a. Scott Hackler (Efland FD)
 - b. Dale Couch (Forbush FD)No nominations received from floor. Motion made to close nominations. One delegate from each department is eligible to cast one vote. Twenty one departments voted. Scott Hackler was elected. Motion made to destroy the ballots. Passes unanimously.
2. Starting January 2020, the board changed amounts of scholarships. Information on our website.

Program: NCAFC representative Kevin Gordon gave an update on the proposed NCAFC By-laws changes. They can be seen on their website. Comments about proposed changes can be made up to November 30. Vote on proposed changes will be voted on at Mid-Winter Conference.

2020 Meeting Locations:

1. January 24, 2020 – Greensboro FD Training Center (Guilford Co)
2. April 22, 2020 – Northwest Harnett FD (Harnett Co)
3. July 22, 2020 – Bahama FD (Durham Co)
4. October 8, 2020 – Forbush FD (Yadkin Co)

Adjournment – Motion made to adjourn by Chief Len Needham. The association meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Attendance: 52