

Northern Kentucky Firefighters Association

Established 1934

August 24, 2010

Fire Department Bellevue-Dayton
Holiday Inn Express

The regular meeting of the Northern Kentucky Firefighters Association was called to order by President Tim Kleier with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Chief Denny Lynn welcomed everyone, thanked them for coming. Roll call was taken and all present were noted. Clayton James, a Captain at Newport Fire Department, gave a presentation on smoke detectors with information he received from attending a seminar at University of Cincinnati. The handouts that were presented at the meeting are attached and will be filed with the minutes.

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the June meeting as sent.

Motion / Second

Bill Leslie/Keith Kallmayer

Motion passed via voice vote.

Treasurer Bud Lederer read the treasurer's report. A motion was made to accept the report as read.

Motion / Second

Greg Buckler/Dave Jansing

Motion passed via voice vote.

Treasurer Lederer reported there were no bills presented to be paid.

Officers Report

President: Tim Kleier

- Attended the KFA conference
- Attempted to secure as many rooms as possible for attendees from Northern Kentucky. 65 rooms were blocked at the Hampton Inn and all have been reserved. 15 rooms will be blocked at the Fairfield Inn but they are not accepting reservations until September 15th.

Secretary: Monica Rath

- There are still some departments that have not turned in their delegate forms for the 2010 year.

Committee Reports

Fire Prevention / Public Education: Joe Stambush

- Thanked everyone for cards and such concerning Fireman Joe's KFA Hall of Fame induction
- NFPA 2010 logo "Smoke Alarms: A sound you can live with"
- The NFPA's stance on the information that was presented at the beginning of the meeting by Clayton James concerning the two types of smoke detectors is having and maintaining dual smoke detectors is best.
- October 30th is Crestview Hills Town Center 5 year Anniversary. They are extending an invitation to NKFA and all departments to set up as a vendor for their festivities for the day. See Fireman Joe for more information.
- Toyota FF for the Month of August is Terry Keller
- Toyota FF for the Month of September is Tom Ollier

Radios: Dale Edmondson

- Kenton Co. and Erlanger are merging dispatch centers.
- Everyone needs to make sure they are on the “band wagon” in regards to the 2013 required switch to narrow band frequencies.

A motion was made for a letter of support to be sent to state and federal congress in regards to extending the deadline to 2015 for the required switch to narrow band frequencies. The letter should mirror Resolution #5 from the KFA conference.

Motion/Second

John Daley/John Beatsch
Motion passed via voice vote.

Membership: Jeff Pohlman

- Stressed that the new committee meetings and ideas are not to get rid of current county associations or committees but to bring them together.
- Each category that the committee came up with will strive to have representation from each county and bring back information to this association.
- Discussion was held after it was brought to our attention that there are several departments in Grant, Gallatin, Owenton, and Carroll counties that may be interested in joining our association. This will be taken back to the committee.

Awards Banquet: Greg Buckler/ Katie Kleier

- Ticket pricing will go up to \$30.00.
- The banquet committee recommended changing the name to the Larry B. Atwell Awards Banquet.
- Criteria for Department of the Year is changing and Liberty Mutual is OK with the changes.
- Lifetime Achievement Award is being created.
- Packets will go out at the next meeting and will also be posted on the website.
- Discussion was held concerning the changes.

A motion was made to make the new category of Lifetime Achievement Award the Larry B. Atwell Lifetime Achievement Award.

Motion/Second

Paul Uebel/Joe Eggemeier
Motion passed via voice vote.

- It was also suggested that no more names be used.

Memorial: Paul Uebel

- Memorial will be held on September 11th at noon at the FF memorial/Peace Bell site.
- If you would like for your flag to be displayed please have it there with a member of your department by 11:30.

Historical: Bill Leslie

- More information is needed looking for conference books dated from 1919-1934.

Website: Greg Buckler

- Since there is little participation for the truck of the month it will now be changed to the Firefighter of the Month.

Regional School: Wanda Isaacs

- The school is moving to the Marriott in Hebron
- Burlington Fire District will host the Explorer Competition

- Next meeting is September 21st at 7:00 pm at Taylor Mill
- Trophies were presented to members of the participating and present Explorer Teams for the Regional School competition.
- It was also reported that this was such a great group of kids to work with the judges were unable to determine a sportsmanship award winner so all participating teams received a framed certificate.

Olympics: John Beatsch

- Southgate Explorer team won the State competition.

EMS: Brent Schafer/Ken Knipper

- There is a new ambulance inspector.
- KBEMS regulations input survey is still online if you have any suggestions.
- Recertification can now be done online.
- The new healthcare bill opened many doors and gates for private providers so everyone is advised to keep their eyes and ears open.

A motion was made to send a letter of support for Rob Butcher to be appointed to the seat on KBEMS vacated by Bill Martin.

Motion/Second

Jeff Pohlman/Keith Kallmeyer

Motion passed via voice vote.

KFA: Dave Jansing

- Thanks went out to VFIS for 31 years of donating trophies for the state competition.
- Fire Commission has new website kyfirecommission.kctcs.edu
- There were three LODD memorialized during the memorial service.
- John Daley thanked Sutphen for donation to help support the Hall of Fame Ceremony.
- Dave Jansing will continue to be Secretary for the KFA for the next two years.
- Scholarship receipts will receive a \$50.00 increase per semester.
- VFIS has made a \$1000.00 donation to the Historical Committee to support their efforts in preserving past and future conference books and memorabilia.
- Reviewed resolutions that were submitted and voted on.
- Reviewed Hall of Fame Inductees.
- KFA resolutions and all the above information is on the KFA website.
- Reviewed license plate dilemma. The KFA is spending \$8000.00 to hopefully get the Firefighter license plate holders to donate \$10.00 to purchase their license plate in December.

Nominations:

- President Kleier appointed Jeff Pohlman, Rick Messingschlager, and Bill Martin for the nominating committee.

Old Business:

- The names that have been submitted to the Governor for the open seat on the housing board are Bob Krebs from Florence, Rusty Todd from Elizabethtown, and Alan Johnson from Campbellsville.

New Business:

- Terry Keller handed out information for anyone interested in purchasing the pink t shirts for Breast Cancer awareness to be worn during the month of October.

Good and Welfare:

- Golf Outing is October 9th at Flagg Springs. Golfers and hole sponsors are still needed.

A motion was made to purchase a \$100.00 hole sponsor for the NKFA golf outing.

Motion/Second

Paul Uebel/John Beatsch

Motion passed via voice vote.

- October 23-24 is the National Fire Heritage Muster sponsored by Gwen Mooney Funeral Home. This will take place at Spring Grove Cemetery.
- Alexandria's golf outing is August 27th at Hickory Sticks.
- NVFC is sponsoring a webinar for smoking cessation.
- NVFC is conducting a survey online to determine the current status and needs regarding the Heart-Healthy Firefighter Program health and wellness programs.
- If anyone has been successful with the SAFER grant Ken Knipper is looking for information and pointers.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Motion/Second

Paul Uebel/Keith Kallmeyer

Motion passed via voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Monica Rath, Secretary

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