



Southwest Virginia Firefighters Association Second Convention Business Meeting June 16, 2012

We Protect Southwest Virginia

16 June, 2012

The Second 2012 Convention Business meeting of the Southwest Virginia Firefighters Association was held on Saturday, 16 June, 2012 at the Holiday Inn Valley View in Roanoke, VA. with 90 members present, representing 18 member organizations.

The business meeting was called to order at 09:06 hours by President Jeff Saunders. The invocation was given by Mr. Kenny Hancock of the Draper Volunteer Fire Department. President Jeff Saunders of the Dublin Fire Department welcomed everyone in attendance. The first business meeting was sponsored by Sure-Flo.

Reports:

President:

President Jeff Saunders offered the following report:

- Welcomed everyone to the convention.
- Recognized the following Virginia State Firefighters Association representatives:
 - Mr. Larry Logan – Vice President
 - Mr. Ronnie Black – Past President
 - Mr. Jimmie Byers – Vice President
- Thanked Doug Irvin, Jr. and Curtis Whitt and the members of Dublin Fire Department for a great job on the Memorial Service.
- Recognized Dublin Fire Chief Ronnie McClure who addressed the members in attendance.
- Thanked Chaplain Kenny Hancock for his assistance with the Memorial Service.
- Thanked the Christiansburg Fire Department Honor Guard for their assistance with the Memorial Service.

1st Vice President:

1st Vice J. C. President Bolling offered the following report:

- No Report

2nd Vice President:

2nd Vice President Joe Rakes offered the following report.

- No Report – See first business meeting minutes

Treasurer:

Treasure Billy Cook offered the following report.

- Gave an up to date report.
- Motion made by Kenny Hancock and seconded by Joe Kingrea to approve the Treasure's Report
- **Motion voted and passed.**

Asst. Treasurer:

Secretary Potsie Smith offered the following report:

- No Report – See first business meeting minutes

Secretary:

Secretary Curtis Whitt offered the following report:

- 58 people attended the training of Friday morning; the training was “Tactical Ventilation” by Retired Deputy Chief Steve Poff.
- Dues notices were sent out and past dues notices will be sent out in the near future.

Asst. Secretary:

Secretary Mark Smith offered the following report:

- No Report – See first business meeting minutes

Chaplin / Welfare:

Chaplin Kenny Hancock offered the following report:

- Thanked everyone for attending the Memorial Service
- Thanked Dublin Fire Department for the work they did on the Memorial Service
- Advised that Mr. Roy Redd attended the funeral of Mr. Benny Ridpath former firefighter from Radford Fire and Rescue.

Sgt. At Arms:

Sgt. at Arms Morgan O’Quinn offered the following report:

- No Report

Executive Committee:

Mike Stevens offered the following report:

- The Executive Committee discussed the leadership and direction of the association in the future.

Legislative Committee:

Mr. Mike Moles offered the following report:

- No Report – See first business meeting minutes

Membership Committee:

Mr. Leon Reed offered the following report:

- If you know how to get the membership of the association up please see Mr. Steve Hall or Mr. Leon Reed.

Training Committee:

Division Chief Tim Estes offered the following report for Mr. Roy Redd:

- See first business meeting minutes
- The Virginia Department of Fire Programs offers a mobile Incident Support Team that can be requested thru the state EOC.

By-laws Committee:

Mr. Page Brockenbrough offered the following report:

- 2nd reading of a proposed a By-Laws change:
- The following are the proposed changes:

- ARTICLE 5 - Expenditures of the Association - Section 1. - (a). The Association shall reimburse a Department or Company its expenses in hosting a regular meeting not to exceed the sum of \$65.00.
- *Proposed Change:*
 - ARTICLE 5 - Expenditures of the Association - Section 1 - (a) The Association shall reimburse a Department or Company its expenses in hosting a regular meeting not to exceed the sum of \$125.00.
- The motion for the change was presented by the By-laws Committee and seconded by Mr. Gary Francis.
- The final reading of this motion will be at the September meeting.

Rules and Contest Committee:

Mr. Danny Yopp offered the following report:

- See first business meeting minutes
- The Captain's meeting to follow the second business meeting.

Ways and Means Committee:

Mr. Potsie Smith offered the following report:

- Working on the 50/50

Scholarship Committee:

Mr. Billy Hanks offered the following report:

- There will be 2 scholarships to be awarded at the dinner on Saturday night.
- Reminded members to apply for the scholarships in the future.

Convention Committee:

Mr. David Akers offered the following report:

- Thanked everyone attending and reminded members to visit the vendors.
- If you have any suggestions about future conventions please contact David or Barry.
- Dinner will be in the ballroom of the hotel.
- David reminded everyone to please observe the hotel rules and regulations.

Old Business

Audit Committee Report – The books were audited and found to be in order.

A motion was made by Mr. David Akers and seconded by Mr. Billy Hanks to accept the Audit Committee Report

Motion Passed

The Resolution Committee report will be given at the Saturday night dinner. (See Attached)

Nomination Committee – The following nominations were presented from the Nomination Committee:

- President – Mr. Joe Rakes, Elliston Fire Department
- 1st Vice President – Mr. Potsie Smith, Christiansburg Fire Department
- 2nd Vice President – Mr. Morgan O'Quinn, Bristol Fire Department
- Treasurer – Mr. Billy Cook, Elliston Fire Department
- Secretary – Mr. Curtis Whitt, Dublin Fire Department

- Chaplain – Mr. Kenny Hancock, Draper Fire Department
- Assistant Treasurer – Mr. Chris Lloyd, Abingdon Fire Department
- Assistant Secretary – Mr. Mark Smith, Blacksburg Fire Department
- Sergeant at Arms – Mr. Bill Nunley, Green Springs Fire Department
- Convention Coordinator – Mr. Barry Simmions, Christiansburg Fire Department

There were no additional nominations from the floor.

The Nomination Committee made a motion that the nominations presented be accepted by acclamation. Seconded by Barry Simmions.

Motion Passed

President Saunders thanked Horne Funeral Home and Mr. Brian Horne for there assistance with the Memorial Service.

New Business

See the First Business Meeting Minutes

No new business at this meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 0945 hours with Mr. Kenny Hancock offering the closing prayer.

The next meeting will be Sunday, September 16, 2012 at the Pearisburg Volunteer Fire Department in Pearisburg, VA. at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Curtis Whitt
Secretary
Southwest Virginia Firefighters Association
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SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION
WE PROTECT SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank Chief Steve Poff of the Roanoke Valley Fire Academy for the training seminar.

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank Two Way Radio for sponsoring the first business meeting.

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank Horne Funeral Home of Christiansburg. Be it further resolved, we the attendees wish to thank Doug Irvin, Jr. and Christina Light for the special music. Be it further resolved; wish to thank Bishop Vernon Landreth his message. Be it further resolved; wish to thank Chaplain Kenny Hancock. Be it further resolved, we the attendees wish to thank Roy McCormick, bagpiper for his music. Be it further resolved, we the attendees wish to thank Christiansburg Fire Department Honor Guard for their assistance in the Memorial Service.

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank Dewey Rottenberry of Shelor Dodge for sponsoring the Past President's Breakfast. Be it further resolved we the attendees wish to thank Tiffany Bradley of Galls, LLC for the sponsorship of the Past President Shirt.

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank Sure-Flo for sponsoring the second business meeting.

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank Rodney Vest for sponsoring the Saturday lunch.

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank J. Mark Bowery and Wendy Bowery of VFIS Insurance for sponsoring the competition event. Be it further resolved we the attendees wish to thank Total Car Care for sponsoring all the trophies for all events.

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank Atlantic Emergency Solutions for sponsoring the Saturday night banquet. Be it further resolved we the attendees wish to thank special guest speaker, Roanoke County Fire, Chief, Steve Poff for his inspiring presentation. Be it further resolved we the attendees wish to thank J. Mark Bowery and Wendy Bowery of VFIS Insurance for sponsoring the Saturday night social.

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank Virginia State Firefighter's Association for sponsoring the Sunday morning service breakfast. Be it further resolved we the attendees wish to thank Chaplain Kenny Hancock for the Sunday morning service.

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank all hole sponsors at the golf tournament. Be it further resolved with the attendees wish to thank the management and staff at Ole Monterey Golf Club.

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank the management and staff of the Holiday Inn Roanoke Valley View for their caring and labor put forth this weekend.

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank President Jeff Saunders, members of the Dublin Fire Department, and their families for making this convention possible.

Be it resolved, we the attendees of the 66th Annual Southwest Virginia Firefighter's Association Convention wish to thank the Town of Dublin, Pulaski County and their governing bodies, for their participation in this convention. Be it further resolved, we the attendees wish to thank the vendors, and the Virginia Department of Fire Programs for all their assistance, and all others who assisted or helped to make the convention possible.

Read this the 16th day of June 2012
Roanoke, VA

Resolution Committee