

Delaware Volunteer Firemen's Association

Officers Meeting

May 19, 1998

President Knight convened the meeting at 6:30 P. M. in the Social Hall of the Magnolia Fire Company. The meeting was recessed for dinner. Dinner was served by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Magnolia Fire Company. The meeting was reconvened at 7:20 P.M.

The President once again welcomed everyone to the meeting. He requested that the members of the Magnolia Ladies Auxiliary and Fire Company receive the accolades from the Officers and visitors for a delicious meal.

A visual Roll Call revealed the following present: President Knight, Vice President Vincent, Assistant Secretary Carrow, Treasurer Metheny, Directors Cabbage, Lakey, Clendaniel, Lister and Callaway. Also in attendance: Ted Doyle, Marvin Sharp, James Sipple, Ron McLucas, Lou Amabili, Norman Tate, Lynn Rogers, Rod O'Neal, Barbara Metheny and Eileen Doyle.

Ron McLucas, Recruitment and & Retention, was questioned on the tapes distributed at Emmitsburg. He did not have an answer and will report back. The Volunteer signs are currently on hold. DELDOT is not receptive to this endeavor. The President & Bruce Ennis will meet with DELDOT in the near future. Help is needed in Kent and Sussex Counties for manning of the booth. He further requested the Association to allocate \$6,000.00 for Committee use specifically for advertising. There were numerous comments offered by the Officers.

Marvin Sharp, Conference 98, reported that all packets were in the process of being distributed to all counties. Chiefs meeting will be at Cheswold's Social Hall. The problem with the Chiefs Association appears to have been solved. The Committee feels that they are on the right path to a successful Conference. All activities would be at the Sheraton, with the exception of the Chief's meeting.

Lou Amabili on behalf of Chairman Lynn Rogers, Executive Secretary Committee presented the Committee report on the proposed Executive Secretary (copy is attached). It was regularly moved by Director Cabbage and seconded by Director Callaway that the report be received and referred to the Executive Committee for further action. Motion carried.

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It was further moved and seconded by the same Officers that the Association investigates a package to be presented to DVFA when completed. Motion carried. President Knight directed that the Mutual Relief Association be included within this program.

Barbara Metheny, President LADVFA, reported that their organization would now have two Executive Committee meetings annually. She reported on various actives that the Ladies are involved with. They are currently accepting donations for the Alabama Fire Companies devastated by the recent Tornadoes.

Rod O'Neal, Computer Committee reported that handouts would be available and distributed on Internet Access Services at the Executive Committee meeting.

Director Cabbage reported on Law & Legislative activities. A final report was presented on the Law & Legislative night (copy attached). The Supplemental Funding appears to be headed for approval. Funding will be added to each Company with sub-stations in the amount of \$10,000.00 per station. All legislative actions appear to be in good shape at present. President Knight discussed several bills and their prospects of passage. It was regularly moved by Director Lakey and seconded by Director Clendaniel that the Secretary respond to Senator McBride's letter that this Association supports Smoke Vision monitors, as long as it does not affect any other programs. Motion carried.

Treasurer Metheny reported that the NVFC grant for \$4,000.00 has been applied for. The funds will be used to upgrade and repair the damages at the Monument.

President Knight provided a report submitted by Dr. David Bailey, MD on current EMS issues. It was regularly moved by Vice President Vincent and seconded by Director Callaway that the report be accepted and referred to the Executive Committee for action. Motion carried.

President Knight reported on the Maryland Association invitation. Information on who will attend will be supplied to Bob Cumberland, MSFA Out of State Coordinator. President Knight will present the Delaware clock to outgoing President Danny Davis.

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It was regularly moved by Director Lakey and seconded by Treasurer Metheny that the Association endorses and supports the nomination of Brian Bushweller as Secretary of Public Safety. Motion carried.

The President reported on the successful Congressional Fire Service Caucus Dinner. He thanked everyone for his or her support. This was the largest turnout to this dinner.

He further reported that an appointment to Mutual Relief representing Sussex County would be required. This request was turned over to Vice President Vincent for study and appointment.

It was regularly moved by Director Cabbage and seconded by Treasurer Metheny that the Recording Secretary salary be increased from \$75.00 to \$100.00 for the Executive meeting. Motion carried.

Director Cabbage regularly moved seconded by Director Lakey that the recommendations of the Law & Legislative night report be accepted. Motion carried.

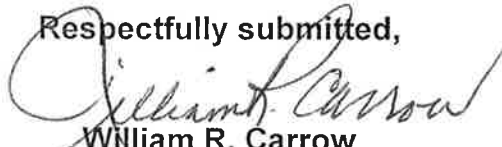
Director Lakey moved and Director Clendaniel seconded a motion to authorize a resolution be drafted in recognition of former Secretary of Public Safety Karen L. Johnson's support to the Delaware Fire Service. Motion carried.

Director Cabbage moved and Director Lakey seconded a motion to accept the Executive Committee minutes. Motion carried.

Director Callaway reported on the Delaware Night at the Fire Department Instructors Conference. The Officers commended Director Callaway on his efforts.

There being no further business to claim the attention of the Officers, it was regularly moved that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



William R. Carrow
Assistant Secretary