

DVFA Executive Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2003

Call to Order: 10:00 A. M. by President Lakey

Invocation offered by Rev. David G. Paul

Pledge of Allegiance led by: Past President Dale A. Callaway

Roll Call of Officers – Secretary

Presentation of Resolution – President Lakey & Resolutions Chairman Ennis

Introduction of CFSI Executive Director Bill Webb – Past President Stephen P. Austin

Report of Officers

President Lakey

First Vice President Sharp

Second Vice President Stevens

Treasurer Metheny

Executive Secretary Cubbage has prepared and carried out the required duties and functions of the office since the last Executive Committee Meeting.

I traveled to Crawford, TX as part of the DVFA Delegation for donation of equipment, Assisted the Leipsic Fire Company in planning for the Funeral of Chief Maurice K. "Buddy" Sipple, Jr. and traveled to Sacramento, CA for a National Benefits Seminar at FDIC- West, (Cost of trip was paid by Firefighter Advantage).

I also have attended two meetings with Governor Minner, SFPC meetings, Conference Committee Meetings, WMD Planning Committee meeting, Press Conferences for donated equipment, State 800 MHz Radio Users committee meeting, E-911 Committee Meeting, DEMSOC, meeting for new Sussex Legislators, Joint Finance Committee Meeting and several meetings at Legislative Hall concerning future legislation.

The position devoted 515.0 Hours and traveled 1,984 miles to support the Association. Copies of time sheets for December, January, and February are attached to the Report.

DVFA Public Relations – William Metten

Delaware Fire Service News – Sal Devivo

DVFA Webmaster – Mike Dillon or Executive Secretary Cubbage

Committee Reports

1. Advisory to Mutual Relief – Anthony R Guzzo
2. Advisory to SFPC for Ambulance Service – David W. Majewski
3. Advisory to the State Fire Marshal – Don Harkins
4. Advisory to the State Fire Prevention Commission – President Lakey
5. Advisory to the State Fire School - Jeffrey Eisenbrey
6. Advisory From State Ladies' Auxiliary Association – Catherine Jenkins
7. Apparatus Standards - Bill Betts
8. Archives – Charles Emerson
9. Civilian Recognition – James King
10. Communications - L. G. "Dick" McCoy
11. Constitution & By-Laws – Louis J. Amabili
12. Critical Incident Stress Management – Lynn Truitt
13. Advisory to DEMA – Michael Rush
14. 2003 DVFA Conference – Warren Jones
15. DVFA Pension Advisory - Frank King
16. FEMA Grant Committee – Robi Robinson
17. Finance & Auditing - George J. Pyott, Jr.
18. Fireman of the Year - Carlton E. Carey, Sr.
19. Law & Legislative - Michael H. Vincent
20. Liaison to State Ladies Auxiliary - Roland Neeman
21. Life Safety – Sandy Young
22. Newsletter Advisory - Stacy Northam-Smith
23. Out-of-State Coordinators – Stephen P. Austin

24. Partners In Progress – Kevin L. Wilson
25. Past Presidents' Advisory Council – James L. Cabbage, Jr.
26. Permanent Memorial – Kenneth E. Clendaniel
27. Recruitment & Retention – Ken Pyle
28. Resolutions - Bruce C. Ennis
29. Scholarship - George L. Kerr, Jr.
30. Statewide Legislative Night – Clarence R. O'Neal, Jr.
31. Sunshine & Visitation – Edwin S. Barlow
32. Volunteer Fire Department Employees - Louis J. Amabili
33. Voter Registration – James W. King
34. WMD/Haz Mat – Joe Leonetti
35. DVFA Cruise – Ray Stevens
36. DVFA Foundation – Stephen P. Austin
37. State Fire Prevention Commission – Willard R. Betts, Vice-Chairman

36. Recognition of Past Presidents:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> John V. Ryan, 20, 1961 | <input type="checkbox"/> Clarence Schwatka, 26, 1964 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emanuel J. Harkins, 14, 1967 | <input type="checkbox"/> Roland Neeman, 48, 1968 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arthur I. Guessford, 24, 1973 | <input type="checkbox"/> William Paskey, Jr., 48, 1974 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Morris W. King, 51, 1977 | <input type="checkbox"/> E. James Monihan, 82, 1978 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Raymond H. McCall, 6& 12, 1979 | <input type="checkbox"/> Richard E. Ennis, 44, 1980 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> John E. Bare, Sr., 76, 1981 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> William G. Walton, Sr., 16, 1982 | <input type="checkbox"/> Richard C. Mitchell, 86, 1984 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lawrence Mergenthaler, 21, 1985 | <input type="checkbox"/> Thomas V Baker, Sr., 57, 1986 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Robert G. Sweetman, 7 8 & 9, 1988 | <input type="checkbox"/> M. Frank King, 51, 1989 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walton A. Johnson, Jr., 76, 1990 | <input type="checkbox"/> Edwin S. Barlow, 20, 1991 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elmer B. Steele, 81, 1993 | <input type="checkbox"/> Harry E. Warner, Jr., 25, 1994 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> J. Allen Metheny, 51, 1995 | <input type="checkbox"/> Lynn J. Rogers, 85, 1996 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Joseph W. Hojnicky, Sr., 22 1997 | <input type="checkbox"/> Donald W. Knight, 55, 1998 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Michael H. Vincent, 87, 1999 | <input type="checkbox"/> Stephen P. Austin, 7, 8, & 9, 2000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> James L. Cabbage, Jr., 45, 2001 | <input type="checkbox"/> Dale A. Callaway, 85, 2002 |

President Emeritus:

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| [] Louis J. Amabili, 19 | [] Norman L. Tate, 87 |
| [] C. Bryan Bennett, 87 | [] Harvey H. Ryan, 20 |
| [] J. Benjamin Roy, Jr., 43 | [] Bruce C. Ennis, 44 |
| [] William V. Roth, Jr. | |

Affiliated Organizations/Agency Representatives

Ladies' Auxiliary:	Patricia A. McCall, President
State Fire Chiefs:	Edward M. Rush, Jr., President
State Fire Police:	Harold R. Ennis, Sr., President
State Ambulance Association:	W. Mike McMichael, III, President
National Volunteer Fire Council:	E. James Monihan, Delegate J. Allen Metheny, Alternate
State Emergency Response Commission:	Bruce C. Ennis, Delegate James L. Cabbage, Jr., Alternate
NFPA Volunteer Deployment:	Ken McMahon
NFPA EMS Standard:	Mike Vincent
NFPA Auto Racing Committee:	Ed Klima

Communications

The following twenty two Communications were received and are summarized by the Executive Secretary:

- Communication from Our Lady of Fatima School in regards to the Annual Fire Prevention Poster/Essay Contest in New Castle County – December 9, 2002
- Memo from 2nd VP Stevens requesting that Guy Hudson be placed on the Apparatus Standards Committee – December 19, 2002

- Letter from Governor Ruth Ann Minner to Rep. Wayne A. Smith in regards to HB #77, the naming of facilities in honor of Medal of Honor recipients and asking to review and reconsider naming of the Delaware State Fire School, DEMA, and the Delaware State Police Headquarters – December 10, 2002
- Letter from Christopher G. Connelly, Sr. to President Lakey in regards to his status as a DVFA Scholarship Recipient – December 23, 2002
- Letter from Thomas S. Shaw, President & CEO of Conectiv to President Lakey congratulating the DVFA on Wake Up Delaware and advising that they are a proud partner in community service – December 23, 2002
- Memo from Hal Barber, re: Breakfast Meeting with new Sussex County Legislators on January 6, 2003 at the Fisherman's Wharf Restaurant in Lewes – December 17, 2002
- Copy of a letter to Chief Nelson Sager, Turley Fire & Rescue Co, Tulsa, Ok from Out of State Coordinator Stephen P. Austin in regards to a request for assistance – December 30, 2002
- Memo from SCVFA President Chuck Snyder requesting that Dennis Hughes, Sta #85 be removed from the Advisory to State Fire Marshal Committee; removing Robert Ricker, Sta #77 from Advisory to State Fire School and replacing in Daniel Short, Sta #87; and adding Dawn Lynch, Sta #86 to the DVFA Web Page Committee – January 6, 2003
- Request from The Pennsylvania Fireman for an update of officers, address, phone numbers, etc – January 9, 2003
- Copy of agenda for NCC LEPC Meeting on January 13, 2003 at Sta #16 – January 13, 2003
- Request for DVFA Letterhead and envelopes from Jerry Lynch, Cheswold Ladies Aux. in regards to the Annual 40 year Member get together – January 16, 2003
- Letter from Samuel L. Shipley, Shipley Associates to President Lakey congratulating the DVFA on the Wake Up Delaware program and advising that they were a proud partner – January 17, 2003
- Memo from Director Jim King, providing copy of signature page for Scholarship Packages that were distributed at the SCVFA Meeting – January 19, 2003
- Two Memo's in regards to questions for nominee Governor Tom Ridge from Senator Carper – January 24, 2003
- Two Letters from Chairman Bill Betts, DVFA Apparatus Standards Committee advising that Bowers and Harrington have placed Aerial Apparatus in Service – December 8, 2002 & January 13, 2003
- Memo from Craig Sharman, NVFC in regards to proposed Federal Legislation for benefit tax treatment to volunteer firefighters – February 18, 2003

- Minutes of the NCC LEPC Meeting of January 13th – February 25, 2003
- Letter from the Minquas Fire Company to President Lakey requesting that the Conference Committee review its decision on canceling the Fishing Trip and the possibility of moving the date to the Summer months – February 25, 2003
- Letter for Rich Colliss, Verizon Wireless in regard to 3 watt analog phones in fire apparatus and the possibility of Verizon going to all digital – February 28, 2003
- Reminder from Jerry Lynch, in regards to the 40 year member dinner on April 14, 2003 – March 3, 2003

The Secretary received sixteen separate faxes from Bill Metten Associates outlining fire, rescue, and ems related items printed in the local media from December 9, 2002 to this date.

Old Business

None

New Business

- Appointment of DVFA Web Page Committee by President Lakey:

Chairman – James L. Cabbage, Jr., 45
 Anthony Guzzo, 19
 Bill Carpenter, 42
 Dawn Lynch, 86

Payment of Bills

Treasurer Metheny

Good of the Association

- Paul Eichler, Sta #46, announces that the Kent County Risk Watch Coalition is actively recruiting new members for the Coalition. Members support and assist the Risk Watch Program in their local school. Anyone having questions or would like to apply can contact Paul at 734-2992.

Adjournment

It was regularly moved by _____ and seconded by _____ that the March Executive Committee meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. Rev. Paul offered the Benediction. The meeting was adjourned at _____.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice S. Yerkes
Corresponding Secretary

I hereby attest that this is a true copy of the proceedings of the Delaware Volunteer Firemen's Association Executive Committee meeting held on March 9, 2003.

Attest:

James L. Cabbage, Jr.
Executive Secretary