

**Delaware Volunteer Firefighter's and Ladies Auxiliary
Mutual Relief Association, Inc.**

**MINUTES
Thursday August 28, 2014**

Chairman Ken Ryder called the meeting to order on August 28, 2014 at 6:50 pm at the Annual MRA Dinner held at Roma's Restaurant in Dover, Delaware.

Trustees Present:

New Castle: Nancy Miglivacca & Aunt, Richard Perillo & wife, Rich Weaver

Kent: Ken Ryder & wife, Bob Yerkes & wife

Sussex: Lester Beachy & wife, Norman Amendt & wife

DVFA Advisory Committee:

New Castle: None

Kent: None

Sussex: Jon Stevenson & wife

Guests:

DVFA President-Richard Toulson

DVFA 2nd Vice President-Joe Zeroles & Debbie

LADVFA President-Saralee Stevens & Ray

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report was presented in written form and after some discussion was approved with corrections on a motion by Lester Beachy with a second from Bob Yerkes.

Payment of Bills: None presented.

Minutes:

The minutes from the May 19, 2014 meeting were presented in written form with a motion from Rich Perillo, seconded by Rich Weaver the minutes were approved.

Communications: None

Trustee Reports: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Treasurer Perillo discussed the letter that both he and President Ryder had received from CJ Bens of Provident relating to possible additional premium charges for the Career Staff of all member companies. CJ had requested numbers for both fulltime and part time career staff working for all EMS companies in Delaware. Ryder had responded after concurring with Perillo and provided the numbers of 269 full timers and 897 part timers from the BLS report contained in the EMS Task Force Report completed earlier this year. Both officers had advised CJ that in our opinion many if not most of the career staff were already being counted in the numbers from member companies. Career Staff do most often belong to one company as a volunteer and work for other companies. All trustees agreed with this problem of counting Career Staff.

Treasurer Perillo discussed the upcoming vote at Conference to approve the AD&D policy renewal premium. We should expect that the membership may possibly vote to have the MRA pay the premium again this year since he has been approached about this possibility by several member companies.

Treasurer Perillo and President Ryder spoke to the group about the possible need to consider changing the membership fee and the burial fee charged to “member companies” particularly those that do not purchase the full MRA package which includes the Accident & Sickness portion. Perillo advised additionally should they be entitled to the AD&D coverage for nothing since again they don’t purchase the entire program? This issue will have to be brought up for discussion and decision by all trustees at a future meeting.

Good of the Association:

Chairman Ryder thanked the trustees for their help and service to MRA for this year. He reminded everyone that we will have quotes to review on both the Accident & Sickness Policy and the 10K AD&D prior to the Conference. We should expect to have a meeting prior to the MRA meeting on Thursday, September 11th to discuss and reach a consensus on the quote/coverage proposals.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss at this time. Motion to adjourn was made by Rich Weaver, second by Lester Beachy. Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Ryder, President
Acting as Secretary
Mutual Relief Association