

DVFA Officer's Meeting
Thursday May 25, 2017
Frederica Fire Company

June Executive Meeting:

As you're all aware, there may very well be a vote to bring back the parade for this year's conference. If this does in fact come up and pass, can we get a permit to have a parade, get a reviewing stand and get the porta potties?

I'm aware we have cancelled the judges and the tents for the breakdown section but could we still get the foods and beverages? I want to make sure we have the answers to these questions prior to any discussion on this vote.

Dover Downs Meeting:

The meeting we attend at Dover Downs showed us that we must purchase a certain amount of foods and beverages per the contract we have signed for this year and for 2018. This must be explained to our membership that we have to honor the signed contracts and that we cannot delete any foods or beverages below the contractual amounts signed for both contracts.

I know John Stevens will be the spokesperson for us at our June Executive Meeting on any and all items of the Dover Downs Contracts.

Recruitment & Retention:

Does anyone know how the participating companies did on Saturday May 20th? Do we even know what companies participated? Where any companies successful obtaining any new members? In essence, is this program a success? Is it a worthwhile event? Do we know how many members we gain from the billboards, radio stations, print advertisements, the sponsorship of the events at the Harrington Fair?

Do we have a recruitment problem? Yes we do but we also have a retention problem.

DVFA Sub Grants:

I had asked for the successful companies that received these sub grants to be put on our web site. We should have this information for all to see how much and for what they received these funds on the DVFA Web Site.

Our web site needs to cleanse of the older material.

DVFA Committee Listings:

When we all make the decision of who we will put on these committee's do we need to travel near and far to accomplish this? Could this not be completed through emails?

I'm positive with today's technology we can accomplish this in a timely manner. Do we need all of the committee's we currently have listed?

When we decide on said committees, I would like for the chairperson to contact each person on the committee and see if they in fact want to be on the committee and then to update on what had gone on and what may be going on in the near future.

If this isn't acceptable, not traveling, could we not go to each County Fire School? I assume the audio visual systems are up and running at each site?

I would like for this Association to support Special Olympics over the edge with an annual \$500.00 donation starting this year. Yes, I know this was not budgeted but I must say neither was the \$175,000.00 for the monument.

Commissioner Ron Marvel, Christiania Fire Company Chief Richard J. Perillo and I had gone over the edge to support Special Olympics by getting \$1,500.00 sponsorships.

If possible, I'd like to see the entire State Fire Service involved in this great event.

Thank you all for what you do.