

General Business Meeting  
June 7, 2013  
Belle Fourche, SD  
5:50 PM MDT

Moment of silence for Doug Kraft, Timber Lake Firefighter who lost his life in a crop duster accident.

Absent Craig Oberle and Reuben Vollmer

Motion by Darrell Hartmann, Brookings Fire Department 2<sup>nd</sup> by Maynard Konechne, Kimball Fire Department to approve minutes as published in the April issue of the Firefighter Newspaper MC.

Motion by Darrell Hartmann 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Meligan, Fort Pierre Fire Department to approve the treasure report as printed in the April issue of the Firefighter's Newspaper MC.

Parliamentarian- Don Ward

Nomination chairman – LeRoy Koopman

Audit committee – Maynard Konechne, Mike Erickson, Platte and Don Ward Belle Fourche

Resolution committee; Rick Cronin Fort Pierre, and Larry Nickles Yankton

Old Business;

Nomination committee report- Nominations open for 2016 State Fire School- Minnehaha County was the only nomination for 2014 Fire School, they proposed the dates of June 2-4, 2016. Motion by Darrell Hartmann 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Oberle Tea Fire Department to cast a unanimous ballot MC.

NVFC –update by LeRoy Koopman, for more information go to NVFC.org

Maynard Konechne - legislation update for Steve Willard

As part of the associations 100% membership, each firefighter receives an AD&D \$10,000 death benefit. The premium for this benefit has gone up from originally \$6.00 per member to \$6.48 per member for the S DFA. Watch for an article from President Gorton in the Firefighter newspaper pertaining to what has been paid out in death benefits and the price increase.

Registration program questions concerns, likes, dis-likes. Everyone seems to be pleased with the registration program and how it is performing, thanks to Rick Gustad for all his work in getting the changes made to accommodate the host department.

Jessie Luce Aberdeen Rural Fire Department asked if the Red Book could be set up through the ABC Sign-up program so fire departments could purchase their books through this program. Rick Gustad will look into this.

Newspaper- any questions issues, anyone can put something in the paper, it is your paper.

Larry Nickles, Yankton Fire Department ask the question about changing the dates for State Fire School from the first full week in June? Why and when were these dates changed from the traditional first full week in June, and why wasn't the membership part of this major change? Discussion; no motion or action was taken on this discussion. Gorton explained that the neither the By-laws nor Constitution of the organization specify when fire school shall be held. Some of the discussion concerned what if a department wanted to host fire school, but the by-laws had a specific date and that time didn't work for the host department? There was discussion about the number of attendees at fire school and how do we increase the participation. There is no perfect date and some felt the change of dates maybe good. There was concern expressed that in early April the weather may not allow for the evolutions to be run.

Larry Nickles asked; if there needed to be a by-Law change to set the dates for state fire school? President Gorton indicate there are two ways by-laws can be changed, one is for a motion from the floor to make that change and the other is for the SDFB Board to recommend a change. Either way would be voted on at next year fire school after not less than 30 day notice to the membership of the proposed change. Any change would be noticed in the *SD Firefighters* newspaper.

Recess until Saturday June 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM MDT

Resume meeting at 5:35PM MDT

Audit Report- Maynard Konechne, all documents are in proper order, motion by Darrell Hartmann 2<sup>nd</sup> by Curt Rawstern Selby Fire Department to accept audit report MC

Scholarship awards- \$1000 for one boy and one girl, There were 18 applications received. Remember your department must be 100% membership for the student to qualify for the scholarship.

Boy recipient- Brandon Hauf from Colome

Girl recipient – Emily Mudder from Avon

Schmidt Scholarship recipient - \$250 for one boy and one girl

Boy recipient – Brady London from Colome

Girl Recipient – Katelyn Jurgens from Milbank

The Southeast District also had three scholarship recipients, this scholarship is for new members and pays for there expense for State fire School, the recipients were Brian Cox from Spencer Fire Department and Evan Bunkers and Brenna Redday-Olson from Aurora Fire Department.

Evolution results-

3 Firefighter

Length Hose- Fort Pierre

Gated Wye- Yankton

Truck Evolution – Fort Pierre

Overall 3 firefighter winner – Fort Pierre

5 Firefighter

Combination window hose- Madison

Bursted length – Madison

Truck – Madison

Over all 5 firefighter winner- Madison

Auxiliary evolution results- only one team ran and that was Spearfish.

Walker trophy was awarded to Fort Pierre

A big THANK YOU to the Fire Marshal's office, all the Instructors and the Belle Fourche Fire Department for a job well done.

Passing of the ball to Aberdeen, Brown County- See everyone in Aberdeen April 3-5, 2014

Motion by Darrell Hartmann 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Baker Tea Fire Department to adjourn MC

Recorded by

Deedra Gesinger, Secretary