

OHIO ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS



OFFICIAL MINUTES

Meeting of the Executive Board

December 20, 2018 - 16:30 a.m. - Columbus, Ohio

President Taylor called the meeting to order.

Secretary Treasurer Quinn called the roll. The following Board Members and Staff were present:

President – Michael P. Taylor

Secretary-Treasurer - William E. Quinn Jr.

1st District Vice President – Roy Hollenbacher

2nd District Vice President – Michael Norman

3rd District Vice President – Cory Wilson

4th District Vice President – Jon Harvey

5th District Vice President – Dave Montgomery

Retiree Vice President – Thomas Rave excused

Sergeant-at-Arms – Daniel Mitsch

Trustee – Jeff Younkins

Trustee – Ryan Launder

Trustee – Rich Goforth

Director of Governmental Affairs – James Carney

Director of Communications – Doug W. Stern

Director of Health, Safety & EMS – David Bernzweig

Director of Operations – William Mastroainni

General Counsel – Henry Arnett

Metro Representative – Frank Szabo was excused

Guest: DVP Sanders from 8th district, Mcelfresh, Davis, Prudential

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TRUSTEES REPORT

A Report of the Trustees report was given by Trustee Younkings. All books are up to date and have been reviewed. All is well.

SECRETARY-TREASURERS REPORT

S/T Quinn distributed the balance sheet to the Executive Board, noting the amounts in each fund. Gave Expenditure report with details. No questions

Talked about 457 fund. Talked about Chase transition. Quick books straightened out. Next payroll should be direct deposit. Remodel office job complete.

GUEST PRESENTATION

Prudential did presentation on Investment review. 3 guest speakers. Concerned about tariffs in the market. Stated market has been down for the year. Showed how members are participating/interacting with their accounts (phone, web or mail). Ron Palanca says \$92,000,000 transferred over so far from all members. Says one advisor in every district. DVP Sanders wished everyone Merry Christmas

PRESIDENTS REPORT

President Taylor talked about legislative issues on retiree health care. Talked about Exploratory committee for health care for 2019.

Talked to Sen. Sherrod Brown about medicare at 55. Gave report for retiree DVP Tom Rave, he has received numerous calls on insurance issue.

President Taylor discussed legislative committee restructuring.

Discussed MDA.

Discussed Office remodeling.

Discussed future board meetings and notifying ST Bill Quinn of DVPs work shifts and possible retreat in the future.

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Thanked Director Stern for all his help. Asked for a motion to appoint Mark Hill to Communications director.

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STAFF REPORTS

Governmental Affairs – Director Carney talked about training committee with 3 members.

Lame duck session. Talked about HB 296 widow and orphan bill that passed the legislature Gov. may veto due to pay raise that was attached last minute by Bill Sietz

HB 38 Death of first responder will be charged as first degree homicide

Talked about medicare at 55.

Director Carney says overall we have been successful at the state house this year.

Director Carney brought Resolution from state house to recognize OAPFF for our 100yr anniversary. Resolution read by Pres. Taylor

Communications and PR – Director Stern talked with the board about IAFF media award winners at Local 67. 2 winners “Umasked” and “Fighting 126”. Talked about Communications class given at Local 67. It was a huge success. Social media analytics are up. Web site bugs were worked out and fixed.

In Nov. levies were ran with 2 locals in Marietta and Liberty Township, extremely successful in Marietta.

Director Stern thanked everyone for all their support and help over the years.

Health, Safety, and EMS – Director Bernzweig talked about meeting with Ohio fire chiefs and health survey. Data was delayed getting out. Very insightful information. A lot of data still being analyzed.

He addressed meeting with Ohio Dept of Mental Health (ARS). Discussions on issues related to our members. Ohio Mental Health Dept (ARS) looking to work with IAFF C.O.E.

Peer support working well with our members. Looking to grow with locals. Looking to have Peer support class 2x/year.

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Operations – Director Mastroianni report on attendants at the communications class. It was successful.

Report on Peer support class. Well attended. Great feed back from all attendants

Report on Battle of Ohio. 125 ppl attended. Browns won 35-20. Football raffle collected \$800

Report on MDA meeting. Strategic planning to get more support this year. Gained new locals.

Bill Mastroianni talked about Facebook and Twitter fundraiser reverse raffle Feb 22nd

March 21st new officer training class at Columbus public library. Asked all DVPs to participate

March 25-28th legislative conference.

Aug 5-7th Put in Bay summer seminar.

Legal Counsel – Henry Arnett discussed Supreme court battle under Janus. New case. Also Lawsuit being filed on retiree health care asking for injunction to stop health care from moving forward

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VICE PRESIDENTS REPORTS

1st District – VP Hollenbacher mentioned contract finishing with several locals. Also gave MDA report for his district. Tiffin local hosted leadership training. Also thanked Stern for all his help.

2nd District – VP Norman talked about contract work with locals in his district. Local 93 set for no confidence vote of their fire chief. Also thanked Stern

3rd District – VP Wilson spoke about contract issues within his district. Talked about issues with Youngstown and peer support. Also thanked Stern.

4th District – VP Harvey Spoke about board retreat. We still need 2 committees put together. Wants to change closed Facebook group leadership page. Mentioned sponsors/donators of items at battle of Ohio. Kettering network paying for food and other items for peer support. Local 445(Norwood) is fighting with city on all issues during negotiations. City of Norwood has reached out to City of Cincinnati to contract out services. They are looking for support/relief from paying dues to help financially. DVP Sanders spoke on behalf of IAFF and possible help for them. Also thanked Stern.

5th District – VP Montgomery made motion to make Mark Hill Communications Director, voted on and passed unanimously. Dave assisted Marietta in negotiations. Columbus finished their contract. Several locals in negotiations. Talked about possible insurance plan for 5th district locals. Also thanked Director Stern

The meeting was adjourned at 7pm

William E. Quinn Jr.
Secretary-Treasurer