

WISCONSIN FIRE INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION

QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING

SUNDAY, 23 October, 2005

The Plaza Hotel, Wausau, WI

Call to Order at 1815 hours

Roll Call

President	Dave Lind	present
1st Vice President	Steve Koback	present
2nd Vice President	Tod Doebler	present
Exec. Sec. Treasurer	Gil Hucek	present
Recording Secretary	Guy Santelli	present
Past President	Bob Vajgrt	present
Parliamentarian	Jeff Pollard	present
Area 1	Bob Gower	absent
Area 2	Tom Weber	present
Area 3		vacant
Area 4	Tom Clark	present
Area 5 Alternate: Dan Machowski	Marty King	present
Area 6	Paul Voigt	absent
Area 7	Vern Green	present
Area 8	Bill Becker	absent
Area 9	Ron Omernick	present
Area 10	Paul Wirth	absent
Area 11	Jerry Paulson	absent
Area 12	Gary Puljas	excused
Area 13	Dave Krupich	present
Area 14	Ed Jeffries	absent
Area 15	Arthur Gil de Lamadrid	present
Area 16	Mark Hoppenjan	present
Dept. of Commerce	Joe Hertel	present

Guests: Patrick Ryan & Paul Yakowenko

SECRETARIES REPORT

Read minutes from the 15 August, 2005 minutes.

Motion: By Steve Kuback to approve minutes and seconded by Tod Doebler.

Motion: Carried

TREASURER'S REPORT

\$ 1523.23 Checking Account Balance

\$50930.22 Saving Account Balance

\$52453.45 Total

Motion: By Dave Krupich to approve treasures report and seconded by Steve Kuback.

Motion: Carried

COMMERCE REPORT

Joe Hertel stated that we will see many new faces from the commerce at this conference ask questions and get to know these guys. Adoption of NFPA 1 and IBC 2006 will happen as of January 2007. All commerce presenters will have handouts from this year and 2004's presentations. A cd will be available for this year's participant with 2004 and 2005 presentations along with NIFRS information.

OLD BUSINESS

Actions on SOG changes:

Motion: Made by Vern Green and seconded by Gil Hucek to approve the change to the SOG.

Motion: Carried

Actions on By-Laws changes:

Motion: Made by Bob Vajgrt and seconded by Steve Kuback to approve the changes to the By-Laws.

Motion: Carried

Action on Strategic Plan:

Motion: Motion made by Tod Doebler and seconded by Vern Green, to accept the Strategic Plan and Put it into motion with on change that the front cover reads for one year 2005-2006 and reviewed after on year to see how we are doing.

Motion: Carried

Assignment were handed out to the board for help during the conference and to introduce the speakers of the conference.

NEW BUSINESS

Tod Doebler made a quick presentation on the 2006 combine conference at the Kalahari in the Wisconsin Dells. He stated that he made up folders for everyone at this years conference and for them to fill it out so we can get the speaker that the members want.

The spouses group is going to donate a hand made quilt to the association so we can raffle it off at next years banquet and the money is to be donates to the burn camp. Dawn Reese spoke about

this issue.

Gil Hucek stated the conference attendees count was up to 228 and we usually get 30 walk-ins, the break down is as follows: 40 tank people, 27 Basic fire inspector's class and 12 spouses.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE UPDATE AND PLANNING

Tod Doebler stated that public education will be taken care of by Sue Phillips, Lori Frey and Theonita Cox. Tod Doebler and Dave Lind to help with the rest of the conference with Ron Omernick to take care of the one day LPO tank program.

Gill Hucek stated that he may be getting some help from a firefighter in Howard of the committee memberships.

The cost of the combined conference is to be as follows: 1 day \$75.00, 3 day \$100.00, complete \$150.00, spouses program to be 3 days \$50.00 and \$70.00 full week. Discussion followed and on both of the cost topics.

Motion: Made by Vern Green and seconded by Tom Weber to accept the above costs for the 2006 Combined Conference at the Kalahari.

Motion: Carried

Banquet for the 2006 conference to be held on Wednesday of the week so everyone who wants to attend will be able to.

IFMA 100 YEAR RECOGNITION

Motion: Made by Dave Krupich and seconded by Tom Weber to donate \$300.00 to the 100 year recognition of IFMA.

Motion: Carried

WAFS DONATION

Motion: Made by Steve Kuback and seconded by Tom Weber to present a check to the burn camp on Media Day and to donate \$2000.00 to send two kids to camp.

Motion: Carried

FIRE AND EMS COALITION

Mark Hoppenjan stated that the last meeting was not attended by him, but he did state that they are keeping portions of the IFC alive but no action was taken. Mark wanted to know what the position of the board would be for the increase of truck to carry 100,000 lbs instead of 80,000 lbs in the spring and the fall on all state roads.

Motion: Made by Mark Hoppenjan and seconded by Vern Green to allow Mark to vote in what best represents the way the discussion goes on the trucking weight topic.

Motion: Carried

COMMERCIAL BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

Wisconsinisms will disappear from the IBC code, President Lind spoke to this topic.

COMM 14 COMMITTEE

Joe Hertel stated that the report is the same as what he stated above in the commerce report.

ALTERATION AND CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY CODE COUNCIL

Dave Lind reported that he had a editorial to give on this subject and that commerce went into this project to review 2 code documents and they would be reviewed, they have not held up their end of the bargain, and they are just comparing the two codes.

TANK COMMITTEE

Ron Omernick stated that Randy has been in contact with us and the tank committee needs to get a new meeting place because Plover dropped out of the program. Cities have been dropping out of the program left and right due to payment to their cities keep getting cut.

WEB PAGE

Dave Lind spoke to fact that we should put all of our wears and novelties on the website and that we should contract with PAY-PAL so we can have MC/VISA ordering capabilities.

Motion: Made by Mark Hoppenjan and seconded by Bob Vajgrt for the incoming president to appoint someone to look at purchasing and web purchasing or our novelties, Bob volunteered to take on this endeavor.

Motion: Carried

SOG AND BY-LAW COMMITTEE

Tom Clark stated that there was nothing new and that we voted earlier at this meeting to ok all.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Dave Lind spoke about having corporate member ships and that they are an important new way to get corporations involved in our association. We as an executive board need to get names of businesses and corporations that would like to join our association and get them to Dave Lind or Tod Doebler. They will then either send out a letter or send the letter to us to send out. Name of corporations need to be given to them with in the next 60 days.

AWARDS COMMITTEE

Steve Koback reported that there is one award this year for fire inspector of the year. It will be given out at the banquet.

FIRE FIGHTER MEMORIAL

Steve Koback reported that the final parade and presentation was held on 08 October 2005 and that 46 department were represented. All brick work is being completed, then rear wall is almost done, flag poles are up, new bridge is in the process of being put up right now. The fund raiser is in the process of being audited.

FIRE SERVICE JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tod Doebler reported that they abolished F.S.J.A.C, and it has been renamed to Fire Service Technical Education Committee. Nothing further was noted.

INSPECTOR CERTIFICATION

Tod Doeblen reported that the state need to recognize what we need as fire inspectors. We may need to take on this subject by ourselves and look at a program.

FIRE SERVICE 2% DUES LIAISON COMMITTEE

Coordinators will be speaking to this topic at the conference this year.

WEARS AND NOVELTIES

All notes to this topic were discussed and can be found in the web page area of notes.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Paul Yakowenko stated that we need to have an internal review of the books, and he would be able to help again this year. President Lind agreed and stated that it will be done.

Motion: Made by Bob Vajgrt and seconded by Arthur Gil de Lamadrid to change page 6 section 2 sublet (a) of the SOG's to take out "who shall serve as chairperson" and replace with nothing.

Motion: Carried

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Nothing noted from this committee.

SITE SELECTION

Dave Lind stated that he has received a number of phone call from area fire chief's and they wanted to know if we could move the 2007 and 2008 conferences into the first whole week in November just like the 2006 conference is? Gill stated that he would look into it and see if the changes would affect the hotels and he will get back to us.

AROUND THE TABLE

Dave Lind reported that it has been an honor to serve as president and he has run the association from his heart. He also stated that he would like us to look into putting a emergency disaster team together incase we are ever needed or asked to respond to one.

Steve Kuback stated that we have an error with the \$40.00 banquet ticket price on the brochure it should have been \$20.00. Refunds are to be given back to anyone who has already paid the \$40.00.

Motion: Made by Steve Kuback and seconded by Bob Vajgrt to keep the banquet cost at \$20.00.

Motion: Carried

Guy Santelli brought up the issue of our name badges and that we should be more professional. I brought an example to look at and he stated that he would work on the project if it was approved by the board. Motion was to follow.

Motion: Made by Steve Koback and seconded by Gil Hucek, to upgrade name badges to a pocket badge with our logo on it and board members for under \$50.00 personalized. If exceeds \$50.00 bring it back to the executive board for approval.

Motion: Carried

Bob Vajgrt stated that this was his final board meeting, he thanked us for everything and he stated that he will help with wears and novelties.

Jeff Pollard inquired if the executive board was cover with insurance when we go to pick someone up at the airport or for any executive board business? Gil Hucek stated that anytime you are doing board related activities you are covered under our insurance.

Tom Clark stated that Area 4 had a good training in August and that Tom Garvey came down and made an electrical presentation.

Vern Green Stated that website needs to be utilized more promote using our website.

Dave Lind thanked Ron Omernick for doing a great job at taking care of this conference.

Dave Lind also stated that Gary Puljas resigned from the Area 12 chair position due to family reasons.

Dave Krupich stated that Gary did notify him that he was resigning and that Dave would take over area 12 and would be in charge of Area's 12 & 13. Training to be held in November.

Mark Hoppenjan stated that Area 16's next meeting will be the 1st Thursday of December.

Motion: Made by Steve Koback, seconded by Vern Green to adjourn.

Motion: Carried.

Meeting adjourned: 2046 hours

Respectfully submitted,

Guy J. Santelli II
Recording Secretary