

**STATE FIREMEN'S AND FIRE MARSHALS' ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

**June 14, 2017**

**San Marcos Embassy Suites, Spring Lake Salon C**

**Meeting called to order at** 1 pm

**by President:** Cheshire

**Board Members present on site:**

President Harvie Cheshire  
1st Vice President Mike Richardson  
2nd Vice President Tim Smith  
3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President Richard Van Winkle  
4<sup>th</sup> Vice President Chuck Richardson  
Immediate Past President Henry Perry  
Secretary Joe Ondrasek  
Assistant Secretary Jim White  
Chaplain Ben Kennedy

**Non-Voting Board Members Present:** Parliamentarian Rayford Gibson, Mascot Daisy Svatek

**Board Members NOT PRESENT:** N/A

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**Office Staff Present:** Executive Director Chris Barron, Gabi Glass

**Guests present:**

Bill Gardner, Rusty Kattner, Keith Tate, Andy Dexter, Dwayne Svatek, Cary Roccaforte, Matt Cornell, Frank Marcinkiewitz, Morris Locknane, Jerri Locknane, Billie Smith, Lesli Nuor, Donna Svatek, Jo Svatek, Billy Svatek.

**Invocation given by:** Chaplain Ben Kennedy

**Roll Call of Board Members** Present: by Joe Ondrasek

**Old Business:**

- President Cheshire appoints Rayford Gifford as EB parliamentarian

**New Business items:**

- Fire School advisory board appointment by President Cheshire
  - President Cheshire is re-appointing John Kirocoff as the SFFMA representative to the fire school advisory board.

Motion is: To approve the appointment of John Kirocoff to the fire school advisory board

Motion by: IPP Perry            2<sup>nd</sup> by: 1<sup>st</sup> VP Richardson

**Motion Passed** with 8 voting for the motion, 0 against the motion, and 0 abstaining

- Final recommendations for SFFMA committee/boards by President Cheshire
  - Some received already but still 4 districts that have not sent in appointments. They are Pan Handle district, Midwest district, Wintergreen district, and North Central.

- There is a request to make the 2040 committee a permanent committee. That will require a by-laws change.
- 2040 Committee report by Andy Dexter
  - Workshop with the EB is needed to provide direction to the committee, we can look at doing this in October.
- Training report from conference by Cary Roccaforte
  - 244 total students attended training
  - 16 classes on Monday, 18 classes on Tuesday
  - 2156 training hours provided
- Conference AAR by Gabi Glass
  - 52 exhibitors per size of hall. 8 exhibitors turned away
  - No issues
- Matt Cornell provided a Sg at Arms committee report
  - Registration outside the exhibit hall liked by many
  - Suggest a LODD family Liaison early to better coordinate maybe 30 days out from conference
  - Class scanners for attendees worked well
- SFFMA membership to NFPA codes and standards by President Cheshire
  - Discussion of need for committee or board access to NFPA standards and codes
  - SFFMA has a membership they can use when requested we can pull what is needed
  - NFPA has a free access for all with view only privileges
- Constitution and by-laws committee refocus by President Cheshire
  - There was a recent hitch in the process that led to miss understandings. President Cheshire recently met with committee in order to create a checklist or matrix and a process to provide feedback when items are submitted to that committee for review. The parliamentarian was asked to help committee and set in on meetings.
  - The committee would only sign off on that the proposal meets the matrix or not, and if not what the deficiency is.
- SOP on committee reports, minutes, procedures by President Cheshire
  - We will draft a guide on how to run committees and minutes will be kept every time a committee meets.
- Realign SFFMA FF1 and 2 Certification with NFPA by President Cheshire
  - Introductory FF equals NFPA 1403 compliant, effective 1.1.18 was approved by the certification board.
  - Lots of misunderstandings of what introductory FF means.
  - Something will be sent to the certification board chair.
- One Plus One Challenge by President Cheshire
  - A challenge from President Cheshire and our help is needed to promote it. The idea is that for any county meeting, any district meeting and the next annual conference you take one-person new person to that meeting and at the next meeting they bring one new person and so on. That way by the next annual conference we can double the attendance.

➤ 2014 Committee re-appointment by President Cheshire

- President Cheshire is re-appointing the ad hoc 2014 committee for upcoming year.

Motion is: To approve the appointments to the ad hoc 2014 committee

Motion by: 1<sup>st</sup> VP Richardson                          2<sup>nd</sup> by: IPP Perry

**Motion Passed** with 8 voting for the motion, 0 against the motion, and 0 abstaining

President Cheshire called for an Executive Session at 2:03 pm

Out of Executive Session at 3:03 pm

President Cheshire announced no action taken in executive session

President Cheshire asked for audience comments

Frank Marcinkiewitz liked the conference ID tags

Donna Svatek like the conference and looking forward to the year

Billy Svatek thanked the board

Billie Smith thanked everyone for their support

Morris Locknane noted it was a good conference

Bill Gardner asked about status of the by law review committee appointed. Send thought to President Cheshire

Andy Dexter thanked the board

Keith Tate noted it was a great conference

President Cheshire asked for Board comments.

- President – Cheshire thanked everyone, blessed and thankful
- 1<sup>st</sup> VP – Richardson great conference, outstanding staff
- 2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Smith great conference
- 3<sup>rd</sup> VP – Richard VanWinkle Good meeting
- 4<sup>th</sup> VP – Chuck Richardson good to be here and he has some suggestions
- Secretary Ondrasek- staff kudos
- Asst. Sec. White-. Good conference
- Chap. Kennedy- kudos to the staff
- Daisy Svatek excited to be on the board
- E.D. Barron- The staff is working very hard, thanked board for support
- IPP Perry-. thanks all for coming
- Rayford Gibson – All went well today.

The next scheduled meeting is July 21 at Teex

There being no further agenda items.

Motion to adjourn by: Asst. Sec. White

Second by: IPP Perry

**Motion Passed** with 8 voting for the motion, 0 against the motion, and 0 abstaining

President Cheshire ended meeting at 3:20 Pm

**Respectively Submitted**

**Joe Ondrasek**

**Secretary**

**07/13/2017**