

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

March 21, 2017

Omni Hotel, Austin Texas (room 104)

Meeting called to order at 3 pm

by President: Perry

Board Members present on site:

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

Non-Voting Board Members Present: Parliamentarian Rayford Gibson,

Board Members NOT PRESENT: N/A

Non-Voting Board Members NOT Present: Mascot Ashlynn Wobus

Office Staff Present: Executive Director Chris Barron,

Guests present:

Chuck Richardson, Casey Haney, Rusty Kattner, Allen Blakemore

Invocation given by: Chaplain Ben Kennedy

Roll Call of Board Members Present: by Joe Ondrasek

Motion is: To approve the minutes from January 20, 2017 and January 26, 2017 as presented.

Motion by: Asst. Sec. White 2nd by: 2nd VP Richardson

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

Old Business:

- SFFMA on line project update by Director Barron
 - 14 million total records to convert
 - Will be done with 2016 only by mid-April. About 450,000 records for 2016
 - Conversion going well, simply lots to convert
 - Cost is a flat rate regardless of time
 - Progress report page going well in development

- Legislative update by Casey Haney
 - Presented legislative flier of bills we are currently supporting
 - Provided a summary of the bills and those at the top of our list
 - Provided details of 2604 funding bills
 - Monitoring 35 bills but that could change daily
 - Opposing 6 bills currently
 - They get a report each day of anything new being filed

New Business items:

- 5 Year planning process discussion by Director Barron
 - It is time to do our 5 year plan. We will look at spending time doing this possible in October during the budget workshop. Last one was done in 2012
- Executive Director contract discussion by President Perry
 - Director Barron provided board some information on other directors similar to his position who were under contract. A sample document was provided to the board.
 - Various board discussion
 - Currently we have no contract with director. Many of items in sample contract we are already doing by policy.

Motion is: To not do a contract and leave Director Barron with current job description and current step pay plan.

Motion by: Chaplain Kennedy 2nd by: 3rd VP Cheshire

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

- Dues discussion by President Perry
 - There was a discussion to look at raising dues. This would require a by laws change and would be 14 months out.
 - There was a discussion of the SFFMA collecting district dues as well and then sending that money back to the district
 - There was a discussion of what is a district as per SFFMA

President Perry asked for Audience comments:

- Chuck Richardson – running for 4th VP

President Perry called for an Executive Session at 4:22pm

Out of Executive Session at 4:28pm

President Perry announced no action taken in executive session

President Perry asked for Board comments.

- President – Perry: Thanked everyone
- 1st VP – Cheshire thanked everyone
- 2nd VP – Richardson Good meeting
- 3rd VP – Smith Thanked everyone
- 4th VP – Richard VanWinkle Good meeting
- Secretary Ondrasek- nothing
- Asst. Sec. White-. nothing
- Chap. Kennedy- Left meeting at 4:15
- Ashlynn Wobus- not at meeting
- E.D. Barron- Nothing
- IPP Hamilton-.Good meeting
- Rayford Gibson – All went well today.

The next scheduled meeting is June 9th in San Marcus.

There being no further agenda items.

Motion to adjourn by: Asst. Sec. White

Second by: 3rd Smith

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

President Perry ended meeting at 4:34 Pm

Respectively Submitted

Joe Ondrasek

Secretary