

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

January 16, 2016

McAllen Convention Center Room 101C

Meeting called to order at 3pm

by President: Hamilton

Board Members present on site:

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

Non-Voting Board Members Present: Parliamentarian Rayford Gibson, Mascot Macey Kennon

Board Members NOT PRESENT: N/A

Non-Voting Board Members NOT Present: N/A

Office Staff Present: Executive Director Chris Barron, Kevin Creamer, Gabi Glass,

Guests present: Richard Van Winkle from Alvarado, Dennis Gifford from ETFFMA, Nate Miara from Decatur/RRFFMA, Jeri Hamilton from TFA IPP, Cindy Kennon presidential aid TFA, Frankie Salinas Rio Grande Valley, Billie Smith 1st VP TFA, Leslie Nixon 4th VP TFA, Andy Dexter from Klein VFD, Scott Nixon from West Carlisle VFD, Mike Kennon from West Carlisle VFD, Jerri Locknane TFA president, Morris Locknane from West Carlisle VFD, Flores Roman from McAllen FD, Kyle Stephens from Decatur FD/PP, Deroy Bennett from Decatur FD.

Invocation given by: Chaplain Kennedy

Roll Call of Board Members Present: by Joe Ondrasek

- Finance Committee Report by E.D. Barron
 - E.D. Barron provided a report from the Finance Committee meeting on Budget
 - Reminder of the 25.0 conference fee increases for San Marcos making it 225.00
 - Reminder of conference fee increase for McAllen
 - Recommend only one magazine print in spring and fall to be electronic
 - Some Board discussions
 - Discussion on how many to send to a Fire department station vs an individual home
 - Quality of print discussed
 - Digital platform for magazine discussed to be like turning page in book
 - Discussed 50,000.00 from swadly account into operation budget
 - Discussion by board of rainy day contingency fund of ½ % of budget as a goal

- Conference registration Fee discussion by Barron
 - Discussion of conference fees by Board.

Motion is: To raise only the full registration for firefighter from 175.00 to 200.00 in McAllen.

Motion by: 1st VP Perry 2nd by: 3rd VP Richardson

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

- Budget report discussion by E.D. Barron
 - Budget discussed by the board

Motion is: To approve the budget as presented

Motion by: 3rd VP Richardson 2nd by: 1st VP Perry

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

- Fire Museum Annual report presented to the board
 - Discussion to look at the Museum board appointees
- Tflag meeting update
 - We want the lobbyist at our conference
 - Board wants to meet them
- Annual Conference memorial will be dedicated to Rosendo
 - We need to reach out to his family
- Thank you's to the Rio Grande Valley for hospitality this weekend.

Having no other agenda items and before moving into Executive Session, President Hamilton asked for audience comments.

- Richard Van Winkle announced and reminded he is running for 4th VP
- Jerri Locknane Thanks to all and looking forward to this year
- Gabi thanks to all
- Nate Miara thanks to all

President Hamilton asked for Board comments.

- President Hamilton- Thanked everyone for being there
- 1st VP Perry- Good weekend
- 2nd VP Cheshire- Busy weekend. Thanks Gabi for all she does
- 3rd VP Richardson- Good Weekend
- 4th VP Smith- Good Weekend
- Secretary Ondrasek- Good weekend

- Asst. Sec. White- Good meeting
- Chap. Kennedy- Be safe on way home
- Macey Kennon- nothing to say
- E.D. Barron- reported that the certification board approved no required progress reports for 2015
- IPP Kattner- Updated board on TCFP advisory interviews with 3 people

There being no further agenda items.

Motion to adjourn by: 1st VP Perry

Second by: 2nd VP Cheshire

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

President Hamilton ended meeting at 3:45 pm

Respectively Submitted

Joe Ondrasek

Secretary