



# PNCFA

## *Piedmont North Carolina Firefighter's Association*

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### **Association Meeting/Walkertown Fire Department July 29, 2009**

Meeting called to order at 19:20 by President Len Needham, who thanked the Walkertown FD Auxiliary for the meal and hosting the meeting.

#### Introduction of Piedmont Board Members:

Tommy Cole - 1st Vice President  
Ron Fowler - 2nd Vice President  
Billy Colley - Secretary  
Vernon Ward - Treasurer  
Scott Alderman - Past President  
Doug Cline - North Director  
Brian Cox - South Director

Minutes: Minutes were presented from the previous meeting (04/28/2009). Minutes were read and a motion by Ed Brinson was made to accept the minutes presented. The motion was seconded by Scott Alderman. Motion carried.

Treasury report: The financial report was presented. A motion was made by Doug Cline to accept the report as presented. The motion was seconded by Tommy Cole. Motion carried.

#### Old Business:

National seat belt challenge. The seatbelt utilization competition continues between the Piedmont, Western, and Eastern firefighters associations for compliance of firefighters' seatbelt usage in fire apparatus. Paul Miller talked about how other states are looking at what NC has done to promote seatbelt utilization with the competition among the State firefighters associations.

Scott Kratovil from E-One talked about the contest for a free fire truck that the Powellsville Volunteer Fire Department had won!!

Brian Cox talked about the PNCFA sponsored workshop on October 3, 2009. The workshop will be at Archdale outside of High Point. The speaker will be David Dotson presenting: "The Art of Reading Smoke."

#### New Business:

A nominating committee was appointed for the positions of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President, Treasurer and South Director. Brian Cox was elected as Chairperson for the committee and Tommy Cole and Jerry Brooks also serve on the committee.

Doug Cline talked about e-training (online training).

Jack Parker presented several updates from the NCSFA. The NCSFA Conference is August 19-22, 2009, in Raleigh. You are encouraged to go on the NCSFA website to review this and all other current events. Paul Miller reminded everyone that relief reports are due by August 31<sup>st</sup>. Jack thanked everyone for their support over the last six years while he has been on the board.

Walter Jones, NCFFF President, discussed upcoming events with the NCSFA conference in August and the State Fair in October. Chaplain Mark Holland shared about the upcoming equipping seminars for chaplains in the Western, Piedmont and Eastern regions of the State.

Dignity Memorial presented about the Public Servants Program.

Bill Carter from LGFCU talked about the debit card program with the NCSFA.

NCSFA Statistician candidates, William Hunt and Derrick Clouston, were given the opportunity to discuss their candidacy objectives to be considered in the upcoming election.

The meeting was turned over to our speaker from OSFM, Derrick Clouston, to discuss the training programs available through the OSFM.

Next quarterly meeting is October 28, 2009, hosted by the Bladin Lake Fire Department. The guest speaker will be Chaplain Mark Holland, Parkwood VFD. He will share a presentation on the topic: "When 'Suck it up' Doesn't Work."

Meeting Adjourned 21:30.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Billy Colley**

*Executive Secretary*