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## *Piedmont North Carolina Firefighter's Association*

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The Piedmont North Carolina Firefighter's Association Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2010

Guil-Rand Fire Department

- President Cole called the meeting to order at 7:15PM and thanked Chief Cox and the Guil-Rand Fire Department for hosting the meeting.
- Thanks were given to Randolph Restoration for donating the meal.
- President Cole introduced the board of directors.
- The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.
- The Treasurer's report was presented and approved.
- Old Business
  - Educational Committee- Brian Cox
    - Brain reported that the fall seminar was canceled due to scheduling conflicts with the facilities and instructors. Brain stated he would start working on next year's seminar.
    - The topic for the next Seminar is Beyond Hoses and Helmets.
    - Brain is working on this for the spring.
- New Business
  - Bylaws Committee – Tommy Cole, Brian Cox, and Doug Cline
    - President Cole presented the proposed changes to the bylaws.
    - The floor was open for comment on the proposed changes.
      - Questions were raised on Constitution Article I, Section 2 regarding the proposed addition of the wording "affiliate organization of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association."
        - After considerable discussion, a motion and unanimous vote was held to change the final wording of this section to read, "The Association shall be an unincorporated, but not-for-profit organization."
      - A question was raised on Article IV Section No. 2 regarding the wording "amendment shall have been submitted in writing at a previous meeting of the executive committee."
        - The proposed change read, "amendment shall have been submitted in writing at the previous meeting of the executive committee." A motion and a unanimous vote were held to make this change.
      - No other items were changed from the floor. Chief Len Needham made a motion to accept the proposed constitution and by-law changes with the amendments noted. Derrick Cloustin seconded the motion. A unanimous vote was held to adopt the new constitution and by-laws.

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➤ Reports

- NCSFA
  - Derrick Cloustin reported that Gateway would be November 3-5, 2010 in Raleigh.
    - Gateway accomplishments include Chief 101 and Legislative Day.
  - The retirement system is moving forward. A rollout document should be completed by the Mid-Winter conference.
  - The date for the 2011 Legislative Day is being planned. No date has been set as of today.
- NCAFC
  - Len Needham reported on the Mid-Winter conference at the Embassy Suites in Concord.
  - Fire Chief 101 will be held at the Mid-Winter conference.
- NCSFA
  - Doug Cline reported the foundation is wholly supported by donations and the need for continued financial support is necessary to maintain the memorial.
- SEAFCA
  - Doug Cline reported the leadership conference is June 15-18, 2011 in Montgomery, Al. This conference will include more vendor hands on demonstrations than in previous years.
- OSFM
  - Derrick Cloustin reported that OSFM is up for an IFSAC audit and reaccreditation.
  - Currently OSFM has 35 levels of IFSAC accreditation. The OSFM is the second largest accredited level certification provider in the world.
  - AC Daniels is in charge of inspections.
  - Chief 101 and NFIRS are now required to be a rated fire department. However, the OSFM is going to ensure that suitable time is provided for Chiefs to get the Chief 101 class.
    - Chiefs are required to take Chief 101 every five years. New Chiefs are required to have the class within one year of appointment.

➤ Presentation

- Captain Beeson from the Guil-Rand Fire Department presented a program on the Dangers of Vehicle Extrication.
- President Cole stated that the LGFCU/NCSFA Debit Card has generated \$441,171 to-date for the association.
- The next meeting is scheduled at the Lewisville Fire Department on January 26, 2011.