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Piedmont North Carolina Firefighter's Association

July 20, 2011

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Tommy Cole
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Ron Fowler
1st Vice-President

Doug Cline
2nd Vice-President

Brian Cox
South Director

Steve Neal
North Director

Ed Brinson
Treasurer

Kathy Weatherspoon
Executive Secretary

Len Needham
Past President

Call Meeting to Order

- a. Thanks to Chief Hampton Williams and members of the Southern Pines Fire Department for hosting our meeting
- b. Thanks to Mike Bordeaux – First Choice Fire and Safety for sponsoring our meal

Sign-in Sheet to be filled out

Invocation –

Meal – Len thanked Southern Pines for hosting the meeting and Mike Bordeaux for the meal.

Introduction of PNCFA Board Members – President Tommy Cole was absent. Len Needham presided over meeting.

- a. Ron Fowler – 1st Vice-President
- b. Doug Cline – 2nd Vice-President - Absent
- c. Brian Cox – South Director
- d. Steve Neal – North Director - Absent
- e. Len Needham – Past President
- f. Kathy Weatherspoon – Secretary
- g. Ed Brinson – Treasurer

Minutes from the January Meeting held at Bahama FD – Kathy read minutes. Motion by Steve Sloan and seconded by Chris Davis to accept minutes as read. Passes.

Treasurer Report – Ed presented the treasurer's report. The report and a breakdown of all expenses and deposits were distributed to all in attendance. Motion to accept passes.

Introduction of Guest and Board Reports

a. NCSFA Board & Staff – Derrick Clausson reported. Still working on the retirement fund. Registration for Conference is still open. Registration total is down. Looking at supplemental insurance programs that all departments can participate in. Aflac is rolling out one that will be specifically designed for the fire service.

b. NCAFC Board – Len Needham reported. Donald Whitaker is retiring as treasurer. A reception will be held to honor him at the State Conference. There are 3



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nominees that will be on the ballot for treasurer. Annual conference is in August. Leadership conference in Charlotte. Mid-Winter Conference is Feb 1-5 in Concord, NC. Need head count for Chief's Breakfast at conference. Please respond back to email that was sent out today.

- c. NCFFF Board – Kathy Weatherspoon reported for the NCFFF.
- d. NC Society of Fire/Rescue Instructors – Jimmy Barrow reported.
- e. OSFM – Steve Sloan reported for First Charities. Reported on a foundation that sole purpose is support families, LODDs, the NC Burn Center and the NCFFF. They will create a calendar of fire firefighters. You can sign up at Conference and votes will determine who is in it. Pictures will be taken on Saturday of Conference. Money will be split between the UNC Burn Center, Wake Forest Burn Center and the NCFFF organizations. It will have shift calendar, dates of NCFFF Memorial, fire prevention dates, NCSFA Conference, and other important dates. Presale orders are \$10 by Sept. 2011. www.Frstcharities.org Steve also reported for OSFM. Thanks to the fire departments that helped with the recent wood fires across the East. Chief Ron Fowler reported on the first IMAS plan that was activated for the fires. It did work well. If any departments are interested in deploying to situations like this, please send an email to Chief Fowler. Steve said everything went good and OSFM is pleased with how this worked since hurricane season is here. Chief 101 classes are ongoing and will be held at conference.
- f. SEAFAC – Ron Fowler reported. Annual leadership conference was held last month. Went well. Doug Cline was installed as President of the SEAFAC. Chief Don Oliver, Wilson, received the SEAFAC Fire Chief of the Year award. Several committee opportunities available for anyone interested in serving. Conference next year will be in Hampton, VA.
- g. Ed Hampton – Southeastern Emergency Equipment. Darren with Cool Shirt reported for Ed. He has a Cool Shirt setup and invited anyone who has not seen one to try one on.
- h. Karl Mosbacher – Stewart, Cooper, Newell. Bill reported for Karl. New training facility will be available soon in Southern Pines and will be breaking ground soon for one in Buncombe County. Thanks for having him.
- i. Will Raynor, Piedmont Regional Coordinator, gave an update on changes with the fee waivers. Nothing will change for fire and rescue. Fire data system information was updated. If not showing up, give a call to one of the regional coordinators to run down. Make sure attendees use their legal name when signing up for any classes. If still not getting help, contact OSFM.
- j. Ron reported that State Forestry called and they need two dump tanks that can be dropped off tomorrow and left for their use.
- k. Robert Templeton reported that High Point FD will be hosting Pink Heels to raise money for cancer. www.pinkhealsnc.com for registration and more information.

Old Business –



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- a. Brooks-Ward Sponsorship to the State Conference – No departments applied. We will try again next year.
- b. PNCFA Scholarship Winners – *Recipients have already been notified*
 - a. Ted Armstrong \$1,000 – Benjamin Hobson – Falls Creek FD (Yadkin Co)
 - b. \$500 Scholarship – Douglas Newberry – Lewisville FD (Forsyth Co)
 - c. \$500 Scholarship – Jim Lashley – Vienna FD (Forsyth Co)

New Business –

- a. Time was given for Ed Brinson and Walter Gardner, who are running for the Treasurer's position with the NCAFC, to introduce themselves to all in attendance.
- b. Appointment to NCSFA Board as Piedmont Director
 - a. Board nomination – Brian Cox (PNCFA Southern Director)
 - b. No Other nominations from the floorMotion made to close nominations. Passes. Brian Cox will represent the PNCFA Southern Director.
- c. Doug Cline will be moving to South Carolina and will need to be replaced. We will know more information about this move soon. This will be done at October meeting.
- d. South Atlantic Fire Rescue Expo – August 10-13 in Raleigh
- e. Two door prizes were awarded – Chris Pegram, Macon Rural FD and Carlton Cole, Pinehurst FD.

Announcement of the next meeting –

October 26, 2011 @ Bayleaf Fire Department in Wake County