

# PNCEFA

*Piedmont North Carolina Firefighter's Association*

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## Quarterly Association Meeting

April 24, 2013

6:30 pm

Warrenton Fire Department

Welcome and thanks to Warrenton Rural Fire Department and Chief Gardner. Chief Gardner welcomed everyone to his department.

Invocation by Chaplain from Warrenton Rural Fire Department. He asked for a moment of silence for the firefighters killed in West, Texas.

Meal – Sponsored by LGFCU / Commercial Lending – Sherrod Warwick of LGFCU thanked everyone for letting them sponsor the meal tonight. They really appreciate everything we do. He introduced some of the staff that attended tonight and gave an update of services they provide to fire departments.

Introduction – Chief Fowler introduced all members of the Board.

*Ron Fowler – President*

*Brian Cox – 1<sup>st</sup> VP (absent)*

*Steve Neal – 2<sup>nd</sup> VP*

*Ed Brinson – Treasurer*

*Chris Langham – North Director*

*A.C. Rich – South Director*

*Tommy Cole – Past President*

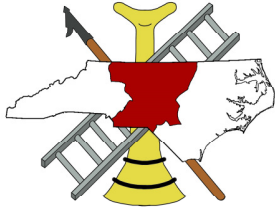
*Kathy Weatherspoon – Executive Secretary*

Ron congratulated Chief Dan Curia for his promotion to Chief of the Durham Fire Department since last meeting.

Approval of Minutes from January 23, 2012 Meeting – Kathy distributed minutes for review. Motion made by Danny Wilkerson and seconded by Chris Davis to approve. Passes.

Treasurer's Report – Ed distributed treasurer's report for review. Motion made by Chris Davis and seconded by Walter Gardner. Passes.

Association / Agency Reports



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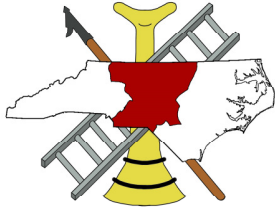
1. NCSFA – Ed reported. Legislature Agenda sheet was distributed. April 30, the NCSFA and Legislature Committee are sponsoring a BBQ for our Legislature members. May 1 is Legislature Day and all are encouraged to attend and bring an apparatus to the dinner. All are invited to attend. We will meet at the NCSFA office at 9:00 am. There are a couple of very important bills going thru the Legislature this year. Ed gave a brief description of the important bills this year. They hope to get funding to fully fund the VIPER across the State. Conference this year will feature a BBQ cook off. Proceeds will go to the NCSFA 501c to fund scholarships. Scholarships have been expanded this year. The NCSFA Retirement program is doing very well. Number participating is way ahead of what they expected. The NCSFA is looking at being an information exchange for the Obamacare program to help with information to help avoid penalties. Tim Bradley has been selected as the Director of the NCSFA and replacing Paul Miller in July.
2. NCAFC - Steve Neal reported. They will be involved in Legislature next week. Mid-winter Conference in February was the largest attended conference to date.
3. NCFFF – Shane Allred reported for the NCFFF. Memorial Service is next weekend. We will be adding 13 names who were lost in the line of duty in 2012. We still need Logistical Team members. Beaufort County FF Association held a basketball tournament for their members. They raised \$8,500 for the NCFFF. He encouraged others to come up with fundraisers to benefit the Foundation.
4. OSFM – NAFPA has released the fire prevention topic for 2013 and will be about kitchen fires. Smoke alarms will be available within the next month and will be distributed to those who ask for them. Home sprinkler alliance has been reconvened. FF Burn parade for Camp Celebrate is coming up May 17.

Old Business - None

New Business –

1. At July meeting, we will be planning our 2014 meetings. If you are interested in hosting a quarterly meeting, please let one of the board members know.
2. We also donated \$100 to Warren County Jr. FF Competition which will be held this weekend.
3. Scholarships have been reviewed and will be notified and presented at our July meeting.
4. Brooks/Ward Grant application is still open until June 1.

Program — Smoke Exposure and Respiratory Safety by Battalion Chief A.C. Rich,  
Raleigh Fire Department ( PNCFA South Director ) Chief Rich gave an  
intense review of smoke and how dangerous it is.



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*Weatherspoon*  
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Chief Gardner invited any departments that are not members of the PNCFA to please join. Warrenton FD will be celebrating their anniversary and are trying to have the most fire trucks in a parade. If you can join the parade, let him know. They are trying to have at least 200 fire trucks in the parade.

Next Meeting – July 24, 2013 at 6:30 pm at Guil-Rand Fire Department

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