

The Fire Fighters Association of Missouri Auxiliary
Meeting held:
December 2, 2012 at Sedalia Missouri

President Chris Slaughter called meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Attendance: 14 members present: Chris Slaughter-Warrenton FPD, Missy Erdel-Little Dixie FPD, Robin Schrage-Jefferson R-7 FPD, Jessica Miller-Norborne FPD, Melissa Dahmes-Beaufort-Leslie FPD; Susan Voss-Beaufort-Leslie FPD, Pam Carsten-Cole County FPD, Janet Smith-Cole County FPD, Sheri Bererdzen-Cole County FPD, Diane Hanes-Galt FPD, Ann Jones-Madison West Monroe FPD, Theresa Cox-Wentzville FPD, Katie Schowengerdt-South Metro FPD, Lily Schowendgerdt-South Metro FPD, Shelia Arnold Central Jackson FPD, Ashton Dahms-Beaufort-Leslie FPD.

Minutes: August 5th, 2012 minutes read by Theresa Cox. Pam Carsten made a motion to accept meeting notes as read, seconded by Sheri Bererdzen. Motion passed.

Treasurer report: Theresa Cox reported, beginning balance was \$2,848.95. Expenses of \$185.25 for Susan Voss to purchase angel pins. Leaving a balance of \$2,663.70. Income from sales of angel and auxiliary pins was \$105.00. New balance is \$2768.70. The bank statement indicates our balance should be \$2,723.70. The discrepancy between the checkbook and the bank statement is -\$45.00. Theresa will find this discrepancy and report it at the next auxiliary meeting. Jessica made a motion to accept the treasure report as read and Susan Voss second the motion. Motion passed.

Old Business and Committee Reports:

Membership: Susan Voss report we currently have 136 members and 23 departments, no change since last meeting. Susan is working on updating a list of the long standing members and honorary members. Ann stated she has not seen a list of membership on the web. Was suggested the web should have a list of current members. Susan will speak to Rob Schrage to get the list put on the web site. Susan will generate a form to have members complete to get current membership information.

Auxiliary Member of the Year: Ann Jones reminded everyone the deadline is December 31st 2012 for Auxiliary member of the year nominations for the 2013 convention. The form in on the web site.

Nomination Committee: Janet Smith had no new information to report. Ann Jones stated the committee is looking for new officers for the 2014 election year, let her know if anyone is interested.

Historian: Sheri Bererdzen asked for pictures from the 2012 convention be forwarded to her. She wants to get the history books updated before the next convention. Several members indicated they had pictures which they would send her. Sheri also said she would take any pictures or articles from any event to add to the history books.

Sargent at Arms: Jessica Miller reported she has retyped the by laws and will post them on the web. Jessica asked for a zip drive to keep the information she has compiled. Sheri Bererdzen indicated she has a flash drive she is using for the history information which is too small for what she needs. She suggested to give her flash drive to Jessica and purchase a new flash drive for the historical needs. Theresa Cox made a motion to let Jessica purchase a jump drive for the Sargent at arms. Sheri indicated we would need memory of 1 terabyte or more due to the quantity of pictures. During the open discussion it was stated we need to get an external hard drive for the needs of the historian. Jessica then asked Theresa to withdraw her motion. Theresa withdrew her motion Pam Carsten indicated she felt we needed to purchase a hard drive for the historian to utilize, it not that big of cost. Melissa Dahms suggested a we purchase an external hard drive to maintain the historical media. Pam made a motion for Sheri and Jessica to purchase a media storage drive (flash, jump, zip, external hard drive) to use for those positions. Melissa Dahms second motion, motion passed.

Convention: Ann reported the next convention will be in Carthage Mo. in April, 2013. The next FFAM Auxiliary meeting to be held there also. The Precious Moments Hotel host the convention events.

Games: Pam Carsten reported Richard has pulled out the trailers recently, and not sure if the red thread chasers have been purchased yet.

New Business:

Pins: Jessica stated we only needed pins for the 2010-2012 out going officers. The pins will be purchased by the next meeting in February, 2013, not sure when they will arrive.

Media Storage System: Theresa Cox suggested the need for an external hard drive for backing up all of the Secretary-Treasure documents we currently have and for future documents of the auxiliary. Melissa indicated she suggested the Historian and Secretary-Treasure each need to have an external hard drive to maintain. Jessica said each executive officer needs to get their media storage device to Sheri to put on the external hard drives. Sheri said she uses a Neat Desk Scanner at work, which is very valuable. It is easy to use and very efficient, which would work for our needs. Jessica made a motion for Sheri and Theresa to get the best prices for 2 external hard drives and a Neat Desk Scanner. Then purchase said items by the February meeting. Melissa Dahns second motion. Motion passed. Anyone who finds any great prices let Sheri or Theresa know by January 15th. Discussed any members who will be arriving on Thursday night at convention bring any media with Auxiliary business on it with you. Will get a good start on downloading information to the hard drives on Thursday night.

Auxiliary Flyer: Ann shared a flyer for the FFAM Auxiliary. This flyer was handed out at the State Fair's 50 year Anniversary event when we were honoring Joan Jackson for being the only living charter member. It was decided to put this flyer on the FFAM Web site. We will have more flyers made up so we can send these to fire department auxiliaries which do not belong to the FFAM. The changes needed will be made and new flyers will be ordered. A huge thank you to Chris, Jessica and Melissa for creating the flyer. The entire membership thought the flyer was awesome and very professional.

Quilt: Pam informed us her son is ill with leukemia, but she is still planning on making a quilt for the convention. Please forward pictures for the quilt to Pam as soon as possible. Chris Slaughter indicated some of the Warrenton ladies are possibly willing to make a quilt if Pam is not able to do her's.

Award & Recognition: Susan Voss report Monday December 3, 2012, Schrage's will be coming to Washington Missouri to present Don Hahne the "Phil Sayer Award" and recognize him for his 60 years of service with the Washington Fire Department. Event to be held at the Washington City Hall at 7:00 pm on Jefferson street. Everyone is invited to attend.

Pam made a motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Jessica. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 10:11 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Theresa Cox, Secretary-Treasurer 2012-2013
Wentzville FPD