

FFAM Auxiliary Convention

Sunday morning business meeting, Carthage Missouri
May 5th, 2013

President Chris Slaughter, Warrenton Fire Protection District, called meeting to order at 9:05 am.

The colors were posted and pledge of allegiance by all.

Invocation, "I am a Fireman's Wife" read by Pam Carsten.

Introduction of Officers

President	Chris Slaughter Warrenton Fire Protection District
1 st Vice President	Diane Hanes Galt Fire Department
2 nd Vice President	Susan Voss Beaufort-Leslie Fire Protection District
Secretary-Treasurer	Theresa Cox Wentzville Fire Protection District
Historian	Sheri Berendzen Cole County Fire Protection District
Sergeant at Arms	Jessica Miller Norbourne Fire Protection District
Past President	Kim Voss Beaufort-Leslie Fire Protection District

Past Presidents in Attendance

Kim Voss	Beaufort-Leslie Fire Protection District
Janet Smith	Cole County Fire Protection District
Sheila Arnold	Central Jackson County Fire Protection District
Joan Hahne	Washington Volunteer Fire District

Eli Maples from Carthage Fire Protection District accepted the 2013 Convention Resolution.

Chris Slaughter announced there are two cards available for members to sign. One is a sympathy card for the Arnold family for the loss of Dales mother, (mother-in-law, and grandmother and great grandmother). Second card is for Rosalyn Sanders O'Fallon Fire Department, who had surgery this week.

Chris Slaughter also announced in June our charter member Joan Jackson will be celebrating her 94th birthday. Chris will have her address available if anyone wants to send her birthday wishes. Roberta Sayer, Galt Fire Protection District reported Joan is in good health, still living by herself, enjoying her hobbies and family.

Business Meeting 2012 Sunday meeting notes read by Theresa Cox Wentzville FPD. Friday night business meeting notes were handed out, not read due to no Friday night meeting this year. Corrections to be made the spelling of Norbourne and the memorial Service dates are Saturday and Sunday not Friday and Saturday. Ann Jones, Madison West Monroe FPD made a motion to accept the meetings notes and seconded by Roberta Sayer, Galt FPD. All in favor (delegates only), no oppositions/no abstentions, motion passed.

Roll Call of Departments completed by Jessica Miller, 14 departments and 37 members present.

Treasurer's Report was handed out and read by Theresa Cox Wentzville FPD. Theresa stated the beginning balance was \$6,081.26 and the ending balance to date is \$2474.24. Correction to the treasurer report is the March 2013 expenses and income information was placed in the wrong columns (typo error) only. The totals are correct. Linda Baker, Holt Summit made a motion to accept the Treasurer report, Roberta Sayer, Galt seconded. All in favor (delegates only), no oppositions/no abstentions, motion passed.

Membership, Susan Voss, Beaufort-Leslie FPD reported we currently have 129 members and 20 departments. We have 10 Honorary members; Rita Lentz Compton Junction Volunteer Fire Department, Diane Holtmeier Washington FPD, Kay Asher Wentzville FPD, Kathy Wulff Warrenton FPD, Patricia Fromme Osage FPF, Joan

Jackson North Central Carroll FPD, Rosalyn Sanders O'Fallon FPD, Sharon O'Dell O'Fallon FPD, Maxine Davis Iberia FPD, and Roberta Sayer Galt FPD.

Historian Sheri Berendzen reported the history books were on display Friday. Recently the Auxiliary purchased the Neat Desk Scanner and a hard drive to preserve the history of the organization. The desk scanner does not scan as well as a flat bed scanner on pictures. She has begun preserving onto the new media. Sheri presented the idea, the auxiliary purchase a projector to provide a slide show at the convention of all of the past pictures and such. She priced a nice one for under \$500. Roberta Sayer, Galt FPD, graciously offered to pay for the purchase of a projector for the Auxiliary. A standing ovation from the membership for our gratitude for her generous donation. Theresa Cox, Wentzville FPD, asked that the slide show/projector be made available at appropriate events during the year to promote the FFAM Auxiliary. Membership agreed. Sheri asked if anyone has pictures taken at this convention or any past pictures to please share with her, she has made her information available on the FFAM Web site. Please include names, dates location etc. Sheri said she did not have a list of past officers, convention sites and Auxiliary member of the year per her bylaw duties. Members said no one has ever had this. Sheri will start this for going forward.

The Bylaws are available on the FFAM Web site now. Jessica Miller Norbourne FPD reported there are no changes to be announced to the bylaws.

Auxiliary Member of the year, Ann Jones Madison West Monroe FPD reported the "2013" recipient was Jenny Smith Warrenton FPD. Ann requested nominations to be sent to the committee members (Jenny Smith, Missy Erdel, or Dolores Owenby) for next year's convention. Roberta Sayer Galt FPD reminded us an Auxiliary can be nominated also.

Posters were judged by Delores, Pam and Theresa on Friday night. Pam Carsten Cole County FPD announced we had 130 posters from 8 departments. Looking for three members to judge the posters next year.

Contest this year were played in the cold, rain, sleet, snow and sun. Pam Carsten Cole County FPD asked if anyone learns about a new game to be played please share with Richard. The new trailer was at the games this year.

Audit completed by Pam Carsten Cole County FPD and Diane Hanes Galt FPD at the February 13, 2013 board meeting. Found no discrepancies.

Susan Voss read a list of Charter and Long Standing Members (see attached list).

Unfinished Business

Susan Voss Beauford Leslie FPD presented past officer's with pins / charms for their service.

Kim Voss	President
Pam Carsten	1 st Vice President
Missy Erdel	2 nd Vice President
Chris Slaughter	Secretary Treasurer
Katie Schowengerdt	Historian
Helen Christensen	Sergeant at Arms

If you would like to receive a newsletter please contact Jessica Miller her information is available on the WEB site. She suggested sharing your newsletters with your fire department members or other auxiliary members.

New Business

Fundraisers this year were the 50/50 raffle and the Silent Auction. The 50/50 raffle raised \$534 for a profit of \$267. The Silent Auction raised \$843. For a total of \$1,110. Danielle Arnold Central Jackson Co FPD made a motion to give the Silent Auction monies to the Museum Fun. It was then decided the board can decide where to

disperse the monies at their next board meeting. Danielle Arnold Central Jackson Co FPD then withdrew her motion.

The 2013 Memorial Service this year will be held in Kingdom City Mo. on Saturday May 18th candle light service @ dusk and Sunday May 19th starting at 10:00 am. Little Dixie is making the ribbons to be handed out.

Next year's convention is May 2nd, 3rd and 4th 2014 in Festus Mo. Robin Schrage Jefferson R-7 FD stated the banquet will begin a half an hour earlier (5:30 pm). She had hotel flyers available.

Pam Carsten Cole County FPD announced she will attempt to make her quilt next year.

Chris Slaughter Warrenton FPD asked if any department or individuals would do the posting of the color for next year's convention. She will continue to ask.

Chris Slaughter Warrenton FPD asked if anyone was interested in chairing the Silent Auction next year. She will continue to ask.

Ditty Bags were discussed. The consensus was to never had ditty bags again going forward. Susan Voss Beaufort-Leslie FPD made a motion to do away with Ditty Bags for ever. Jenny Smith Warrenton FPD seconded to motion.

All in favor (delegates only), no oppositions/no abstentions, motion passed.

Sheila Arnold Central Jackson FPD was asked to explain to the membership what the White Elephant and Door Prizes were about. It was a way to have fun and draw members into the Auxiliary. The door prize is \$5-15 dollar gift each member would bring to the meeting on Sunday, wrapped nicely. The White Elephants are items members would bring wrapped however, they were gently used items you thought others would like that you no longer used or wanted. Members would bring at least one or as many as they wanted. The bringer of the white Elephant placed a price on the item, usually \$1.00 or so and under. The members would purchase the white elephant items with the monies going into the general auxiliary fund.

Retiring of the colors.

Jenny Smith Warrenton FPD made a motion to adjourn the meeting Janet Smith Cole County FPD seconded, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Theresa Cox, Wentzville Fire Protection District
FFAM Secretary / Treasurer 2012-2013