

Auxiliary Meeting Minutes

APRIL 29 & MAY 1, 2016

LAKE OF THE OZARK, MISSOURI

APRIL 29, CONVENTION MEETING

Meeting called to order by President Chris Slaughter at 5:01 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF OFFICERS

President Christina Slaughter, Warrenton FPD; 1st Vice President Diane Hanes, Galt FPD; 2nd Vice President Susan Voss, Beaufort-Leslie FPD; Secretary/Treasurer Theresa Cox, Wentzville FPD; Historian Sheri Berendzen, Cole County FPD; Sergeant at Arms Jessica Mille, Norborne FPD.

OLD BUSINESS

Roll call was completed by Jessica Miller resulting in nine departments, thirteen members and one guest present.

Theresa Cox reported as of 4-29-2016 the Auxiliary has \$2,540.60. The 2015 financial records are available at the front head table for viewing. Angela Fields, Paris FD made a motion to accept the Treasurers' Report, seconded by Sheri Berendzen, Cole County FPD. All in favor (delegates only), no abstentions, motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POSTER

Diane Hanes from Galt has received many posters so far and needs all posters by 7:00 p.m. today. She has a team who will judge then tonight. Jessica Miller, Norborne volunteered to assist in the judging. Her department had no entries to ensure unbiased judging.

NOMINATIONS

The nominating committee is the past three Presidents; Janet Smith from Cole County FPD, Sheila Arnold from Central Jackson Co FPD, and Kim Voss from Beaufort-Leslie FPD. Janet announced the following slate of officers as their nominations for the 2016-2017 term.

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Chris asked if there were any nominations from the floor? No nominations were made. Jessica Miller made a motion that nominations cease and the nominations from the nomination committee stand. Sheri Berendzen seconded the motion. All in favor (delegates only), no abstentions, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Ann Jones, Madison West Monroe, asked the FFAM Auxiliary to consider being the Host Auxiliary for the upcoming 2017 Convention in Sedalia. Topic was tabled till Sundays business meeting.

Door Prizes were drawn, winners were Sylvia from Galt, Angela from Paris and Joni from Paris

Ann Jones, Madison West Monroe FP made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Diane Hanes, Galt. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

MAY 1, BUSINESS MEETING

Posting of the Colors completed by Jessica Miller and Susan Voss.

Meeting called to order by President Chris Slaughter at 9:01 a.m.

Invocation read by Sheri Berendzen, "Baby I'm Home".

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PAST PRESIDENTS IN ATTENDANCE

Joan Hahne Washington FPD 1983-1986; Janet Smith Cole County FPD 2004-2008; Kim Voss Beaufort-Leslie FPD 2008-2012

Grant Oetting announced the 2017 FFAM Convention will be held in Sedalia on April 21-23, 2017. All Sedalia hotels have been reserved for FFAM members so make your reservations early. The fair camp grounds will be available, no reservations needed.

Roll call was completed by Jessica Miller, fifteen departments and forty-six members in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS

Theresa Cox read the 2015 Sunday May 3, Business Meeting notes. Janet Smith made a motion to accept the meeting notes and seconded by Brenda Carrell, Division of Fire Safety. All in favor (delegates only), no abstentions, motion passed.

Ann Jones, Madison West Monroe, asked the FFAM Auxiliary to consider being the Host Auxiliary for the upcoming 2017 Convention in Sedalia. She reviewed the responsibilities of being the host auxiliary. She explained if the Auxiliary was the host, it would save the State Fair Department the cost of being the host, which they could use the monies on other needed things. Angela Fields, Paris FD made a motion for the FFAM Auxiliary to be the Host Auxiliary for the 2017 Convention, seconded by Ann Jones. All in favor (delegates only), no abstentions, motion passed.

Theresa Cox reported our beginning balance on February 1, 2015 was \$2,331.21. As of April 29, 2016 the

Auxiliary has \$2,540.60. The 2015 financial records are available at the front head table for viewing. Jessica Miller made a motion to accept the Treasurer report, seconded by Sheri Berendzen. All in favor (delegates only), no abstentions, motion passed.

Theresa Cox handed out copies of the very first Auxiliary meeting notes dated September 16, 1956. This makes the Auxiliary 60 years old in September. As she was scanning the old documents she discovered years ago everyone addressed each other as Mrs. and Ms., everyone dressed in Sunday best for meetings, fun activities were hat shows, skits put on by the officers and more. The majority of the departments were from St. Louis when they were volunteer departments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP

Susan Voss reported we have 23 departments, 117 members and 16 honorary members. Susan also read a letter addressed to the auxiliary from Shelia Arnold, Central Jackson Co. FPD

HISTORIAN

Sheri had the slide show going Friday at the Exhibitors Hall. The slide show was for years 2013-2015. She made a requests for pictures, and asked they include names, dates and location where taken. Brenda Carrell stated she had some pictures for her.

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POSTERS

Diane Hanes announced they received sixty-four posters, a few were disqualified again this year due to sizes or information. Six individuals completed the judging. Winners were announced at the banquet last night. There were some great posters again this year.

CONTEST

Missy Erdel, Little Dixie FPD reported the contest went very smoothly this year. Everyone had a lot of fun. If anyone has any suggestions, ideas or know of new games please contact Rob or Missy Erdel.

AUDIT

The Financial records were audited by Jessica Miller and Diane Hanes on January 31, 2016 and found to be in order.

AUXILIARY MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Winner was Christina Lloyd of Little Dixie FPD. She was recognized at the banquet on Saturday night. Congratulations Christina. Reminder the deadline for nominations are January 1st of 2017. Please recognize someone or an auxiliary which is deserving of this great award.

FUND RAISING

This year we made \$1,574.51 from the silent auction and items for sale. Thank you to all who donated items for the silent auction and to those who dug deep to bid on those items. Theresa made a funny comment that someone bid 1 cent over the last bid, we need to watch them guys, cheapos need to bid by whole dollars. Helen laughed, calling out her husband. Bidding was fun again this year. Thank you to everyone who helped man the fund raising booth. It could not be done by one individual it takes everyone who helped. The auxiliary will determine at one of their board meetings who we will receive donation(s). It was suggested we look into selling pretty lanyards for convention name badges next year.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Candlelight Service will be Saturday May 14, 9:00 p.m. Sunday morning service is May 15, 10:30 a.m. Both in Kingdom City.

NEW BUSINESS

Susan Voss, Beaufort-Leslie made a motion to accept the nominated officers for the 2016-2017 term, seconded by Missy Erdle, Little Dixie. All in favor (delegates only), no abstentions, motion passed.

Brenda Wright announced October 22, 2016 will be the 1st Public Safety Conference held at the Lodge of the Four Seasons. The purpose is to honor the Fallen Fire Fighters, EMS and Police Officers. This will be the first time all three services will come together to honor the Fallen. If you need more information you can contact George or Brenda Wright from Shelbina FPD.

Past President Kim Voss conducted the Installation Ceremony of the New 2016-2017 Officers. Kim swore in each officer by reading their new job Duties. New officers received their name badges from the out going officer. Old officers received a silver charm with the date and position they held.

President Chris Slaughter presented her letter of Accomplishments for her two terms as presidents.

Jessica Miller and Susan Voss retired the Colors.

Diane made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Janet Smith. All in favor (delegates only), no abstentions, motion passed.

Meeting adorned at 10:10 a.m.

Door Prizes were awarded to Brenda Carrell, Amanda Smith, and Dee Lynn Braun.

Respectfully Submitted,
Theresa Cox, Wentzville FPD
Secretary/Treasurer 2014-2015



A LETTER FROM THE AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

By Chris Slaughter, FFAM Auxiliary President

As your president for the past two terms, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank each of you for allowing me to serve. It has been a very busy four years and I believe we have grown as an organization to keep up with the ever-demanding changes with how organizations manage documents and communications via the internet, social media, etc. We've also formed a few committees to help spearhead several events that needed better management overall.

Here are just a few highlights:

1. We bought a NEAT scanner and it shall remain in the possession of the Secretary-Treasurer for the sole responsibility of keeping all financial balance sheets, and meeting minutes preserved and in order.
2. Another plan of action we took to lessen the burden of keeping hard copies on hand, was allow each

officer to purchase a zip drive to maintain their information. External hard drives were purchased for the historian and secretary/treasurer's to maintain their information (documents and correspondence), as well.

3. Revamped our fund raising abilities by adding a fund raising committee whose sole purpose is to purchase fire/emergency services related merchandise, inventory items, creating price lists, and general managing of all items associated with fund raising duties.
4. Formed the Memorial Services Committee to assist in purchasing the fabric to make ribbons each year to hand out with flyers at the Candlelight and Memorial Services Ceremony in Kingdom City annually every May.
5. Auxiliary flyer was created by a few auxiliary members for the purpose of sending to those departments in the surrounding communities to get more members involvement. These flyers were also handed out at convention and fire schools and the 50 Year State Fair Event.
6. A projector was purchased (donated by Roberta Sayer) to preserve and display our pictures at appropriate events, including conventions, each year. This helps with the ease of transporting the historian books, too.
7. Lists were made and distributed to all members for the following: FFAM auxiliary officers (names, years, and positions held), past presidents, long-standing members (by years), honorary members, and the FFAM auxiliary roster that the second vice president updates every year for dues.
8. We have recently (within the last 3 years) been sitting at the Winter Fire School booth alongside the FFAM membership team to sell angel pins,

A special called meeting of fireman's wives was held September 16, 1956 at the Daniel Boone Hotel in Columbia, Missouri, for the purpose of organizing an auxiliary to the Firefighters Association of Missouri. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. A. L. Campbell of Gashland, Missouri, and minutes were taken by Mrs. Harvey Dunn.

Mrs. Campbell stated that there was much that could be accomplished by such an organization and gave the following reasons as to the need for such an organization:

1. Fire Fighting Safety Promotion
2. Fire Prevention Education
3. Fire and Emergency Assistance
4. Provide program for women at state Firefighters Association conventions.

A general discussion was then held during which the women present told of their local auxiliaries.

After the discussion, Mrs. Dunn made a motion that we take the necessary steps towards forming a state organization. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mrs. Campbell then appointed Mrs. Henry Lebbing, Mrs. Joe Jackson, and Mrs. Roger Admire as a committee to nominate temporary officers. After the noon recess the committee submitted the following names for officers: President, Mrs. A. L. Campbell; Vice-President, Mrs. Harry Miers, Jr; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Harvey Dunn. These officers were elected unanimously.

Mrs. Joe Jackson reported that the Firefighters Association of Missouri had voted to let us have up to \$50.00 for the purpose of organizing an auxiliary.

It was moved that we adopt the name of WOMEN'S AUXILIARY TO THE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION OF MISSOURI for our organization. The motion carried.

It was voted that Mrs. A. L. Campbell, Mrs. Harvey Dunn, Mrs. John Welsch and Mrs. Roger Admire act as a committee to draw up a constitution and by-laws and to report on their action at the next meeting.

Mrs. John Welsch made a motion that we hold our next meeting at the same date the men hold theirs. That date is November 18, 1956. The motion carried.

Joe Fetters of the University of Missouri fire school gave a short talk on fire prevention and safety, and congratulated us on forming an auxiliary.

After Mr. Fetters speech the president dismissed the meeting.

Mrs. Harvey L. Dunn, Sect.

Approved:

Robert Admire