

**Oregon Fire District Directors Association
November 6, 2019
Seaside Convention Center – Seaside, Oregon**

MINUTES

Vice President John Dunn called the meeting to order at 1:12 p.m. A quorum was present:

Present:

John Dunn, President
Curtis Hoopes, Vice President
Don Thompson, Immediate Past President*
Scot Breedon
David Burnett
Jay Cross
Allen Forster
Dennis Rogers

Guests:

Mark Kruetzer, Past President
Kevin Van Dyke, Past Board Member

Staff:

Kate Trauernicht
Genoa Ingram
Laureal Williams

Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes of the August 10, 2019, Board meeting, the August 22, 2019, email ballot and the September 20, 2019, email ballot.

MOTION: Moved by Allen Forster and seconded by David Burnett to approve the minutes as presented. **Motion passed.**

Financial Report

Laureal Williams reviewed the financial reports provided in the packet, noting that the current report is on an accrual basis due to anticipated income from Conference. She also reported that income from the September fundraiser at Redgate Winery was approximately \$4,000. Registrations for conference are slightly down but new vendors had come been added as recently as yesterday.

MOTION: Moved by Jay Cross and seconded by Allen Forster to approve the financial reports as presented. **Motion passed.**

2019 Budget

Vice President John Dunn and Laureal Williams presented the proposed 2019 budget. The Board reviewed the proposed budget and made two revisions: increase fundraising revenue from \$3,000 to \$5,000 and increase 2020 conference speaker lodging expense from \$400 to \$2,000.

MOTION: Moved by Curtis Hoopes and seconded by David Burnett to recommend membership approval of the proposed 2020 budget as amended. **Motion passed.**

Guest Reports

Governor's Fire Policy Council Mark Kruetzer reported that the Governor's Fire Policy Council had recently updated its mission statement and had assembled two task forces. The first will examine the agricultural exemption for inspections of marijuana grow operations. The second relates to fire prevention high density residential housing, including additional security measures. The Council also noted that fire investigators are covered under the cancer presumption statutes. The Council also plans to recommend that education relating to fire escape protocol be included in future training for security guards who engage in crowd control.

DPSST Mark Kreutzer reported that he hadn't attended the October meeting but a rule change for airport firefighters was under discussion. Other than that, there was the usual license certification/ revocation. He had also attended by memorial service for the Cowlitz firefighter who recently passed; Mark stressed the importance of such resources as the NW Peer Support Conference scheduled for February 4 in Salem.

President's Report

President Dunn reported on the success of the recent fundraiser which resulted in the presentation of ten conference scholarships.

Staff Report

LOSAP: Staff reported that the LOSAP Trustees were scheduled to meet in the Sea Mist room at 7:15 Saturday morning. The current value of the program is \$11 million dollars; 55 districts are currently participating. Sandy Fire is considering joining the program. Year to date, over \$600,000 in contributions have been processed.

Conference Overview: Staff reviewed the expanded Board schedule and noted that introduction of guests was already in place.

Committee Reports

BPSST – (Presented under Guest Reports)

Bylaws & Policies Committee – President Dunn asked the Committee to work on a conference refund policy.

Governor's Fire Service Policy Council – (Presented under Guest Reports)

Conference Committee – Curtis Hoopes reported that all programs were in place

SDAO Legislative – Staff reported that SDAO was already gearing up for the 2020 short session. Their legislative recap should be out shortly.

NAEFO – David Burnett reported that he, Mark Kreutzer, and staff had attended the NAEFO Conference on September 16 and 17 in Las Vegas, Nevada. Presenters included George Dunkel who presented on the Lifecycle of a Chief. There was also a presentation on alternative methods of responding to non-emergency 911 calls.

Nominations Committee – Don Thomson noted that both Laura Green and Allen Forster were running for office again and he is seeking a nominee for Position #6.

Fire & Life Safety – Kevin Van Dyke distributed the minutes of the September 19, 2019, meeting and summarized activities of the Committee.

Property Committee – Staff reported that there had been no issues other than cigarette smokers dropping lit cigarettes in the bark dust and igniting fires.

Ambassador Committee – No report.

Past Presidents Committee – Past President Don Thompson reported that approximately 30 attendees had registered for the Board/Past Presidents dinner.

Old Business

Board Vacancy – 2nd Vice President President Dunn noted that Director Jay Cross had agreed to accept the nomination for 2nd Vice President.

Director Accreditation Staff reported that President Dunn and 1st Vice President Hoopes had met with Frank Stratton to discuss a joint accreditation program. The program would be a joint effort between SDAO and OFDDA. OFDDA's logo would be displayed prominently and the Board will have input into the curriculum.

New Business

Ambulance Association – Staff reported that the Oregon Ambulance Association had asked OFDDA to support legislation placing private ambulance providers on the same footing as public providers. Ambulance providers would pay into an account that would leverage federal dollars to make up shortfalls in Medicaid payments.

Emergency Service Apps – Jay Cross reported that there are emergency service applications that attempt to bypass 9-1-1. He suggested that such providers be licensed and regulated.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, January 18, 2020, 10:00 a.m. at the OFDDA office in Salem.

Adjourn

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 3:14 p.m.