

**Oregon Fire District Directors Association
August 14, 2021**

MINUTES

President Curtis Hoopes called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. A quorum was present:

Present:

Curtis Hoopes, President
Jay Cross, Vice President
John Dunn, Immediate Past President
Scot Breeden
David Burnett
Joe Morneau

Not Present/Excused:

Laura Green
Don Thomson

Staff:

Genoa Ingram
Laureal Williams

Guests:

Mark Kruetzer, OFDDA Past President

Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes of the June 5, 2021, Board meeting.

MOTION: Moved by John Dunn and seconded by Dave Burnett to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2021, meeting as presented. **Motion passed.**

Financial Report

Laureal Williams reviewed the financial reports and member status as of July 31, 2021. Registration for Conference should be open end of August/first of September at which time there should be an influx of income.

MOTION: Moved by Scot Breeden and seconded by David Burnett to approve the financial reports as presented. **Motion passed.**

President's Report

President Hoopes reported that there were major fires in his area including the Bootleg Fire. He is also working with the Office of State Fire Marshal for grants.

Staff Report

LOSAP: Laureal reported that the LOSAP Trust continues to grow with over \$16 million in value. The Newburg participants have been successfully contacted and most accounts have been closed as vested members. That process continues to progress. Laureal also provided information regarding the Annual Maintenance Fee Discount, providing various options and calculations for the discount.

MOTION: Moved by John Dunn and seconded by David Burnett to offer a 25 percent approve the financial reports as presented. **Motion passed.**

Legislative: Genoa Ingram reported on the following items:

- HB 2397 contains an exemption for fire districts to be able to charge care facilities for lift services.
- In light of passage of HB 2927, making it possible for a stand-alone Office of State Fire Marshal, staff recommends sending a letter of support of the appointment of Marianna Ruiz-Temple to the position of State Fire Marshal.
- The Governor's mandate requiring vaccinations or masks/testing of health care workers applies to EMS/EMT. Genoa has been in contact with OFCA who asks that OFDDA sign on to a letter requesting a compromise from the Governor's office.

MOTION: Moved by Dave Burnett and seconded by John Dunn to approve OFDDA joining with the OFCA in a letter to the Governor asking for compromise steps for EMS/EMT. **Motion passed.**

Board Outreach: Genoa reported that she had responded to several requests regarding legislative measures following session.

Committee Reports

BPSST: Mark Kreutzer presented the Fire Policy Manual which documents complaints and actions against firefighters. He has also applied to be part of the Governor's Wildfire Advisory Council created under SB 762.

Bylaws and Policies: No report.

Governor's Fire Service Policy Council: Mark Kreutzer reported that he was participating in the task force to implement HB 2927 which paves the way for a stand-alone Office of State Marshal. Mark has also

SDAO Legislative: The next meeting is to be announced.

Conference Committee: The Committee is scheduled to meet immediately after the Board meeting. All speakers have been contacted.

NAEFO: Dave Burnett reported that the NAEFO Conference will be held September 20 and 21 at the Orleans in Las Vegas. George Dunkel will be one of the speakers as well as Dr. Brittany Albrecht. Bill Webb, Congressional Fire Service Institute will provide an update on federal issues. The registration discount is good through August 18 with the code ANA1C09.

Nominations Committee: John Dunn discussed with Board members who would be seeking re-election and asked for suggestions for filling any vacant positions. Scot Breeden indicated that he may have a suggestion for a Board member.

Oregon Life Safety Team: John Dunn reported that he had not been able to attend the previous meeting.

Property Committee: The Board reviewed a written Property Committee report submitted by Allen Forster. The following points were covered:

- The backflow test performed earlier in the year was positive; however, the test run following installation of the sprinkler system failed. A second test will be performed and any adjustments needed will be implemented.
- The chimney may need to be capped.
- The backflow and sprinklers may need to be checked annually.

Ambassador Committee: No report at this time.

Budget Committee: Laureal reported that she had created a first draft that she continues to work on.

Past Presidents' Committee: No report at this time. Staff will work with President Hoopes and Past President John Dunn to select a venue.

Old Business:

No old business.

New Business:

- Jay Cross asked about an organizational chart for the Office of State Fire Marshal reflecting staff changes.
- Board members discussed the recent Board vacancy left by Allen Forster.

MOTION: Moved by Dave Burnett and seconded by John Dunn to accept Mark Kreutzer's offer to finish out Allen's term on the OFDDA Board. **Motion passed.**

Next Meeting

The next meeting had been scheduled for November 2 in Ashland.

Adjourn

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.