# Oregon Fire District Directors Association Ted Miller Fire Service Center 1284 Court Street NE, Salem In Person/Zoom Conferencing June 17, 2023

# **MINUTES**

President Curtis Hoopes called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. It was noted that Brenda Spence, Scio Fire, and Mark Kreutzer had not won their elections and were no longer on the Board of Directors. A quorum was present:

# **Present**:

Curtis Hoopes, President Joe Morneau, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Jay Cross, 2nd Vice president\* John Dunn, Immediate Past President\* Cheryl Johnson, Director Don Thompson, Director

## **Not Present/Excused:**

Chaplain Kenton Johnson Jon Peasley, Director

#### Staff:

Genoa Ingram Laureal Williams

\*Via video conference

#### **Minutes**

The Board reviewed the minutes of the April 8, 2023.

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by John Dunn and seconded by Cheryl Johnson to approve the April 8, 2023, meeting minutes as corrected. <u>Motion passed.</u>

### **Financial Report**

Laureal Williams reviewed the financial reports through May 31, 2023, noting several expenses and income from the 2022 Conference.

**MOTION**: Moved by Cheryl Johnson and seconded by Joe Morneau to approve the financial report as presented. **Motion passed.** 

#### **President's Report**

President Hoopes announced that he had received a letter of resignation from Mark Kreutzer. The resignation was due to the fact that Mark did not win his local election. It was noted Curtis will be attending the Oregon Fire Chiefs Conference the end of the month. He is also working with the OSFM on capacity grants.

**MOTION**: Moved by John Dunn and seconded by Joe Morneau to purchase bricks from the Fire Service Museum for both Mark Kreutzer and Brenda Spence. **Motion passed.** 

#### **Staff Report**

<u>LOSAP</u>: Laureal reported that \$422,557 in contributions have been processed so far this year. There are currently a total of 53 plans. As of today, the LOSAP trust is currently valued at \$14.5 million and includes 1,944 individual accounts. Year to date, staff has returned \$60,000 of forfeitures and successfully processed 15 cash distributions.

<u>Legislative</u>: Genoa Ingram reported that OFDDA had submitted testimony on several pieces of legislation including SB 1068, SB 5036, and SB 750.

Joe Morneau reported on meetings with Rep. Conrad regarding his work on legislation for leaves of absences for volunteer firefighters. He encouraged staff to touch base with Rep. Conrad on this issue.

# **Committee Reports**

<u>BPSST</u>: Joe Morneau reported that his application is still awaiting consideration by the Senate Rules Committee.

<u>Bylaws and Policies</u>: Staff reported that the Bylaws had been forwarded to the Board for review and several technical fixes have been identified.

Staff reviewed a proposed policy to allow on-line bill payment.

**MOTION**: Moved by Jay Cross and seconded by Cheryl Johnson to approve the Bill Payment policy as amended to increase the threshold to \$1,000 and to require review of the monthly bank statement by the 1<sup>st</sup> and/or 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. **Motion passed.** 

Governor's Fire Service Policy Council: John Dunn referenced his written report. (EXHIBIT A)

<u>Conference Committee</u>: Laureal Williams reviewed the draft program schedule for the 2023 Conference.

SDAO Legislative: No additional report.

<u>NAFO</u>: Jay Cross reported that there had been no quorum for the April meeting and he is awaiting further communication from the President.

*Nominations Committee*: John Dunn reported that there are two openings due to election results. An additional two terms expire in 2023. Two Board members who expire in 2023 will seek re-election.

**MOTION**: Moved by John Dunn and seconded by Joe Morneau to include Cheryl Johnson on the proposed Slate of Officers for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. **Motion passed.** 

By consensus, the Board agreed to solicit OFCA and others to solicit interest in the OFDDA Board.

Kevin Woodworth, President of Mohawk Fire, and Chris Meyer of Tangent Fire District were suggested as possible Board candidates.

<u>Oregon Life Safety Team:</u> Cheryl Johnson reported that OLST held a summit the end of April. The guest speaker was Karen Berard-Reed, an instructor from the National Fire Academy who gave a presentation on CRR. The State Fire Marshal also sent out summer safety boxes to fire districts throughout the State. The OLST is moving to a quarterly summit format and the next meeting is scheduled for end of July.

Property Committee: The Board discussed the proposal provided by the landscaper to replace the

<u>MOTION</u>: Moved by Joe Morneau and seconded by John Dunn to accept the bid to replace the ground covering. <u>Motion passed.</u>

Ambassador Committee: No report.

**Budget Committee**: No report. The budget process for 2024 will begin later this summer.

Past Presidents' Committee: No report.

### **Old Business:**

No old business.

### **New Business:**

Jay Cross reported on the recent meeting of the OSHA Fire Service Advisory Committee regarding nonentry firefighting rulemaking. He noted that OSHA was seeking additional stakeholders to participate in the rulemaking process.

Jay also reported on the passage of SB 907, the "right to safe work" legislation which has been signed by the Governor, and how it impacts the public safety community.

# **Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, August 12, at the Ted Miller Fire Service Center.

## **Adjourn**

There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.