

FFAO General Meeting

Palmerston, March 3, 2019

Attendance: Shelley Parks-Storey, Veronda Brydges, Ron King, Wendy McIsaac-Swackhamer, Wayne Nie, Karen Brooks, Gilles Boisvert, Jamie Hiller, Jeri Ottley, Gary Fleming, John Uptegrove, Peter Oleskiw, Kevin McNeilly, Bevin Brooks, Dennis Thain, Doug Kellam, Ryan Benham.

Meeting called to order @ 11:59

National Anthem led by: Shelley Parks-Storey

Invocation and Silence - Peter Oleskiw reads list of departed Firefighters

Adoption of the past Minutes: Bevin Brooks motioned, Peter Oleskiw seconds, Carried

Fire Chief Chris Harrow welcomes the FFAO

Guest Speakers - Laura King, NFPA. Dave Stewart and Chuck Ellison from Zehr Insurance.

-Laura King gave a presentation and workshop on the NFPA

-Dave Stewart and Chuck Ellison give a presentation on Zehr Insurance who are partnered with the FFAO

President's Report – Shelley Parks-Storey - Please see President's report on website

Past president – Ron King – gave list of open positions

2nd Vice – John Uptegrove – no report

Secretary - Veronda Brydges – no report

Treasurer - Gilles Boivert - Copy of report is on file with the Secretary

Fire Marshal's Pubic Fire Safety Council – Doug Kellam – Fire Marshall has retired.

Board of Directors- Bevin Brooks – no report

Convention Committee - Paris rep gave an update on the upcoming convention.

Occupational Health & Safety & WSIB/Presumptive Legislation- Jeri Ottley – Please see report on the website.

Fire Prevention & Education – Kevin McNeilly – Working with Paris. 4 new things in the format. More training than in Grand Valley. Registration, course and price should be ready by Wednesday.

Games & Competition – Jamie Hiller – Games have been updated in the magazine. Some have been modified. Planing on going in May at the quarterly meeting and looking at the field. And going threw the trailer and making sure everything is there. I would like too look at building a new fire hydrant. I would like to remind everyone to make sure that all trophies are to be tagged and brought back to the quarterly meeting in May. And anyone that wants to look at going the games at does not have much knowledge of the games, all the rules and measurements are on the FFAO web site for the games. Please feel free to contact me I'm willing to help go get set up and go threw a practice with you.

Insurance - Bill Burns – no report

Laws & Legislation - Wayne Nie – Today I have several changes for the Constitution and Bylaws to report on. I won't take up too much of your time hopefully. There will be no vote today as the articles have to be posted for 30 days prior to voting. Some of these changes will be voted on at the annual meeting and some at the May quarterly. That's my report. Any questions? Just a reminder if you have any items or articles you would like to see changed, removed, or added please fill out a form found on the web site and forward it to myself. I will then review it and check on the pertinent section of the constitution and report back to you on the status of your application. Thank you for your time. Enjoy the rest of the meeting .and have a safe trip home.

BY-LAW CHANGES to be voted on at the MAY QUARTERLY

(1) Section 5 Medal of Merit Sentence 5.1.5

Old By- Law reads;

The selection committee may consist of two representatives of the F.F.A.O., two representative of the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs.

New By-Law will read;

The selection committee may consist of two representatives of the FFAO. Two representatives of the OMIA, and one representative of the Office of the Fire Marshal. (removing Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs at their request)

(2) Section 6 Hosting Meetings Sub Section 6.1 Hosting An Annual Meeting

Insert a new sentence 6.1.1.11 - Host Department to supply an A.E.D. device and have said device located at the main gate to the camp sites.

(3) SUB SECTION 1.2.4 GAMES AND COMPETITION COMMITTEE Add sentence 1.2.4.1(vii) Oversee the Fire Prevention Window Competition and award prizes to the winner(s).

CONSTITUTION CHANGES to be voted on at the ANNUAL MEETING INTRODUCTION (at the beginning of the constitution)

(1) Insert the CODE OF CONDUCT (read at the annual meeting in 2018 and posted on the web site)

(2) SECTION 1 DEFFINITIONS

DELEGATE - Shall be a representative of a member Fire Department, Fire Company, Fire Fighters Association, or Ladies Auxiliary and they shall have voting rights. Each member Department, Company, Association, or Auxiliary are required to seat two delegates. After attending 50% of the meetings plus the annual meeting said delegates will receive a life membership.

(3) SECTION 5 COMMITTEES

SUB SECTION 5.4 EDUCATION AND FIRE PREVENTION - New constitution will read;

5.4 EDUCATION AND TRAINING - Sentence 5.4.3 Promote the aims of fire prevention throughout the membership of this association.

REMOVE - Sentence 5.4.3.1 Work with the Host Department concerning the Fire Prevention Window Competition.

(4) SECTION 5 COMMITTEES

Old constitution reads; SUB SECTION 5.5 LAWS AND LEGISLATION

New constitution to read; SUB SECTION 5.5 CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

(5) SECTION 5 COMMITTEES

SUB SECTION 5.6 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

ADD SENTENCE 5.6.2.7 - Oversee the Fire Prevention activities of the FFAO

(6) SECTION 6 ELECTIONS

ADD SENTENCE 6.1.2.1 - All nominators and nominees are to be members in good standing

(7) BY-LAW 2: OFFICERS DUTIES

SECTION 2.5.6 EDUCATION AND FIRE PREVENTION - Change the title to Education and Training, and change the name in all sub sections.

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Credentials – Karen Brooks – Total Attendance – 44, Life Members – 21, Individual Members – 7, Delegates – 5, Visitors – 6, Ladies Auxiliary – 2, PP – 4, PP wives -0, Depts/Stns – 18

Membership - Bevin Brooks – Delegates are being brought back.

Memorial – Peter Oleskiw – please see report on website and in the FFAO magazine

Website – Jamie Hillier - please see report in the FFAO magazine

Medal of Merit – Jamie Hillier - please see report in the FFAO magazine

Old Business - none

New Business – Jamie reports that there will be a special presentation will be made at the 2019 FFAO convention.

Next Meeting - May 26, 2019 in Paris

Adjournment - 3:22pm Motioned by John Payne, seconded by John Uptegrove, Carried