

PFFMA ZONE 1 MEETING
Ambassador Hotel, Amarillo, TX
Sunday, May 17, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 9:11 am by President Scott Nelson followed by invocation by Craig Dubois and pledge led by Paul Hamilton.

Board members present were President Scott Nelson; 1st VP Billy Bonner; 2nd VP Mario Garcia; 3rd VP Kelly Vandygriff; 4th VP Tim Smith; Secretary/Treasurer Paul Hamilton and Past President Craig Dubois.

Guest present was David Jusiak.

Secretary/Treasurer Hamilton gave the treasurer's report from the convention. Income from the convention included \$2505 from pre-registration, \$1500 on-site registration, \$355 from games on Friday night and \$1898 from casino and auction for a total of \$6258. Convention expenses consist of bouncers \$480, AMBUCS \$375, trophies \$1000.60, \$103 for soft drinks, past presidents breakfast \$76.64, flowers \$57.50, music/PA \$200, caterer \$2395, B&B Liquor \$184 for an estimate on expenses of \$4618. Motion made and seconded to accept the sec/treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Discussion on 2009 convention: David Jusiak discussed the confusion on alcohol being placed in a different room and rumor that it was not allowed out of that room. This caused several attendees to leave and not participate in the casino/auction. Also had confusion about red arm bands being worn for dinner. Possibly do power point presentation with convention information and pictures to be run throughout the business meeting during breaks.

Discussion continued to Friday night games and the need to have enough hose so as not to need mobile water supply. Also the polo nozzles are in need of repair and Dalhart FD has stated they will check on the nozzles. Guns need to be reworked and ammo needs to be purchased each year prior to convention. AMBUCS needs to be contacted about contract for 2010 convention. Contact is Lloyd Seitz home 352-9233, cell 570-8562.

Board would like to acquire sponsorships for convention and past presidents breakfast.

Board continued discussion on having a hydrant placed at the Holiday Inn by the City of Amarillo.

President Nelson will make arrangements to meet with the Ambassador Hotel concerning the 2010 convention and signed contract.

Past President Jusiak asked the Board to consider raising the relief fund maximum distribution to \$500 per occurrence. Relief fund committee members consist of PFFMA 1st VP Bonner, Chaplain Chaney, and Past Presidents Finsterwald and Jusiak. Motion to raise cap on relief to \$500 made by Vandygriff and 2nd by Dubois. Motion carried.

Application to be done for PFFMA to be 501c3 certified. Board will need to make determinations on which division of 501 should PFFMA be certified in and how many years of books are needed?

President Nelson discussed the need to have more than one signature on checks, President Nelson wants each board member with the exception of the past president and chaplain to be on signature cards. He requested that Secretary Hamilton look into getting new signature cards, ordering new checks and debit card. Motion made and 2nd for above, Motion carried.

President Nelson discussed having only board members present at board meetings. Guests can come and discuss items then board can go into executive session and not have guests present. Nelson would like to research and discuss at a later time.

Past President Dubois asked the Board to sponsor a child to be sent to MDA camp. Cost is \$800. Motion made and 2nd to send \$800 to MDA to sponsor one child for summer camp. Motion carried, The board would like to ask for donations at the 2010 convention from all departments to assist in raising funds to sponsor one or more children for MDA summer camp.

Next PFFMA board meeting will be hosted by Zone 2 and be August 16, 2009 at 2:00pm. Location to be determined.

President Nelson would like board members to think of ways to assist Amarillo Fire with the firefighters memorial. Nelson would like to possibly see fundraisers done by every member fire department and PFFMA needs to make a donation with fundraisers from all.

Benediction done and meeting adjourned at 10:37 am.

Respectfully submitted.

Paul Hamilton
Secretary/Treasurer PFFMA