



Executive Fire Officers Section of the International Association of Fire Chiefs



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CONFERENCE CALL THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2019 @ 1300 EST

Meeting called to order by Chair: Lorber

Roll Call of the Board Members: Kroon, Lorber, Roberson, Daley, Achilles, Hyde, Wolford, Pulvermacher, Goldfeder, Cheatham

Report from the Chair – Chief Lorber stated all

Report from the Vice Chair – Chief Hyde had no report

Report from the Secretary/Treasurer- See below

Secretary/Treasurer's Report:

- Members – 1581
- Assets - \$93,792
- Approval: Motion by Achilles & Daley, Motion passed.

Report from Staff Liaison – Spencer Cheatham stated that he has been unable to find an IAFC board member to swear in Chief Kroon yet, but will keep him posted. Also, On Scene is now iCHIEFS. iCHIEFS comes in three iterations: a podcast, a newsletter twice a month, and a quarterly print magazine. The new format will allow greater flexibility for content as well as providing some income thanks to a new publishing partnership.

Old Business:

Committee Reports

1. Director's Report(s)
 - a. Chief Achilles getting settled into new job and joining Massachusetts Fire Chiefs. Going to National Professional Development Symposium this weekend.
 - b. Chief Daley is experiencing new issues in the Denver area. First amendment groups are showing up on scenes and filming things. Going to the Colorado Chief Fire Officer's conference. Chief Goldfeder sent everyone a video of something similar in Miami-Dade.
 - c. Chief Kroon is learning how things work and will be attending the FORCE conference in Montana. Is working on some succession planning issues.

- d. Chief Goldfeder stated that the IAFC board is searching nationwide for someone to take Mark Light's position after his retirement. Rob Brown is the interim CEO. Ken Steubing is going to be the 2nd VP and Donna Black is going to be moving to Chief Steubing's position as the Executive Board At-large Board Member. She will continue in her role as International Director for VCOS. The board is also looking at the financial systems of the IAFC. The recent minutes show the IAFC is looking into a loan, but this is not a reflection of the net assets.
- e. Chief Wolford stated she will be at NFA next month and will touch base with Chief Lorber to see where she could focus for the section.
- f. Chief Pulvermacher was at the Wisconsin State Capital testifying for the ban on novelty lighters. He submitted a paper which outlines some issues with recruitment. Wants input from iDelp and HR committee

New Business:

- EFO/NFA Symposium Committee – See "EFO Symposium Planning Group Letter" below
- Executive Board Meeting – Spencer will send out an email to vote on having an executive board meeting.
- EFO Symposium Planning Group Letter – John Carnegis sent a letter discussing some issues on the planning group. Chief Mayo has expressed an interest to give the symposium back to the NFA. The Section will still assist. Chief Mayo will stay on with the symposium group as of right now. Discussion on whether the Don Manno awards will continue.
- Re-branding Section – If an executive board meeting takes place, Spencer will draft a survey on when to do a meeting related to a rebranding. Discussion was held about the possibility of having a meeting at Symposium and including a rep from NFA so there is no question of something hidden from them. Chief Pulvermacher stated his thoughts on rebranding and how that could help us move away from just being an alumni association. The section sees the possibility of rebranding as a means of focusing their efforts on those chief officers who serve between company officers and the fire chief.
- Challenge Coin – Put on hold to investigate the rebranding further.

Next meeting: October 9th at 1400 EST.