INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS
FEDERAL and MILITARY FIRE SERVICE SECTION
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
DENVER, CO.  1 AUGUST 2012
COLORADO CONVENTION CENTER

Present:

Chief Fletcher Dahman, Chair
Fire Chief Jonathan Mattingly, At-Large Representative
Gary Brouse, IAFC Staff

Absent:

Deputy Chief Tracy Young, US Air Force Representative
Fire Chief William Moore, US Army Representative
Officer Sheldon Wimmer, Bureau of Land Management Representative
Deputy Fire Chief Ray Harvey, US Marine Corp Representative
Fire Chief Paul Murray, US Navy Representative
Fire Chief C.J. Hipshire, DLA Representative
Fire Chief Chris Walters, Coast Guard Representative

Annual Meeting Call to Order: Chief Dahman called the meeting to order at 1500 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation: Fire Chief Kuk, Fort Polk LA.

Any Request to Revise the Published Agenda: N/A

Program and/or Presentation(s) from Guest and/or members:


- Carry over balance of prior year 2010: $21,707.00
- Income: $1320.00
- Expenses: $468.00
- Net Asset Balance: $22,559.00

Motion: Approve the Financial report as presented.
Moved: Fire Chief Kuk, US Army
Second: Fire Chief Dahman
Motion: Passed

Reports from Officers:
Chief Dahman presented a slide presentation reviewing section plans and accomplishments for the past year. (See Attachment 1)

Committee Reports:

Election/Nomination Report:

Election Results:
- Coast Guard: Chief Walters – Unopposed
- DLA: Chief Hipshire – Unopposed
- Marine Corps: Deputy Chief Harvey - Unopposed
- Navy: Chief Murray - Unopposed

Motion: Approve the Election report as presented.
Moved: Chief Kuk, US Army
Second: Chief Dahman, US Navy
Motion Passed

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

(See Attachment 1)

GOOD OF SECTION:

Special Recognition: Chief Dahman presented Chief Michael Kuk a plaque honoring Chief Kuks 35 years as a member of the IAFC. Chief Kuk has been a strong supporter of the Federal Military Section. Chief Kuk has provided the invocation over decades at our annual meeting. The Federal Military Section would like to wish Chief Kuk many healthy years of enjoyment. Thanks for all you done for the Federal Military Fire Service over the decades! You have truly made a difference.

NEXT ANNUAL SECTION MEETING: TBD

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 1600 hrs.

Minutes submitted by:

Mr. Gary Brouse
IAFC Staff Liaison
Federal Military Section
Section Mission Statement

Promote and support regulations and legislation that will result in greater safety to life and property and to better conditions for fire and emergency services. The organizations will provide federal and military fire services personnel with state-of-the-art technology, training, education, and information so as to reduce the loss of life and property from fire safety hazards in communities.

Federal/Military Fire & Emergency Services Components

- Department of Air Force
- Department of Army
- Department of Coast Guard
- Department of Navy
- Department of Marines
- At Large Federal Fire Services Agencies Not Represented
- Defense Logistics Agency
- Bureau of Land Management

2011-2012 Fed/Mil Board Members

- Chair: Chief Fletcher Dahman, Navy Region Southeast, Fire & Emergency Services

- Vice Chair: Chief Jonathan Mattingly, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda
2011-2012 Fed/Mil Board Members

- Army: Chief William Moore, Directorate of Emergency Services
- Coast Guard: Chief Chris Walters, UAGC Training Center Cape May
- Bureau of Land Management: Officer Sheldon Wimmer, USDI-Bureau of Land Management Salt Lake City
- Navy: Chief Paul Murray, NAS Ft. Worth JRB

2011-2012 Fed/Mil Board of Directors

- At-Large: Chief Jonathan Mattingly, National Institutes of Health - Bethesda
- Defense Logistic Agency: Chief C. J. Hipshire DSCR Fire Emergency Services
- Marine Corps: Deputy Chief Ray Harvey, Quantico Fire & Emergency Services
- Air Force: Deputy Chief Tracy Young, WPAFB Emergency Services
- Staff Liaison to the IAFC Fed/Mil Section: Chief (Ret) Gary Brouse –Selinsgrove, PA

Financial Report

Jan 2012 – Jul 2012

- Carry Over 2011 $21,707
- Income $1,320
  - Section Dues $1,320
- Expenses $468
  - Meeting travel $281
  - Food functions $187
- Balance $22,559
• Continued partnership with IAFC Foundation and the sponsor of a DoD Fed/Mil section scholarship.

• Continuing to secure the Federal Firefighter Presumptive Disability Initiative

• IAFC Chief Parow and Fed/Mil Section Chief Dahman signed the Fed/Mil Charter

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• Section supported the Congressional Fire Services Institute (CFSI)

• Section Board of Directors approved budget for 2012

• The section supported the Near Miss Reporting System to promote Firefighter Safety

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• To all Federal and Military Section Members:
  Discussed at our general membership meeting in 2009 at Dallas, the sections participation on the IAFC Membership Task Force Committee. It was proposed that Fed/Mil members would be exempt from paying Divisional dues. This proposal was approved by the IAFC Board of Directors in January, 2010 and voted in at Chicago FRI August, 2010.

Respectfully, Chief Fletcher Dahman, Fed/Mil Chair
IAFC • Fed / Mil Section 2012 Accomplishments cont.

- Section has contracted with IAFC Services to develop and provide special category retirement training course for DoD firefighters

IAFC • Fed / Mil Section 2012 Elections

- Open Board Positions (Two Year terms)
  - Coast Guard Representative
  - DLA Representative
  - Marine Corps Representative
  - Navy Representative

IAFC • Fed / Mil Section 2012 Elections

- Election Results:
  - Coast Guard: Chief Walters - Unopposed
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Legislative Issues

  Allows federal firefighters to swap shifts outside the two-week pay period.
- H.R. 1068, the Federal Firefighter Pay Equity Act (Introduced by Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-VA)) – Allows the 19 hours of overtime hours each week in a firefighter’s 72-hour week to be accounted for when computing the firefighter’s retirement benefits.

By - Law Change 2011

- SECTION SIX: Meetings and Elections
  - Not later than ninety (90) days prior to the annual meeting of the Section the Chair shall appoint a three (3) person Nominating Committee, each of whom shall be members in good standing of the IAFC and the Section. The Nominating Committee shall publish and distribute their slate of nominations to all members in good standing. Election of Officers will be conducted by mail or electronic ballot using the same procedures as elections for IAFC Officers at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting. All officers shall be elected by a majority of the votes received in the mail or electronic balloting of members.

Special Recognition

We would like to take this time to say goodbye to a true and trusted friend and colleague, Chief Michael Kuk. Chief Kuk has been with the IAFC since 1977. His dedication and efforts have been instrumental in supporting both the Fed-Mil section and the Department of Defense for many years.

Our thoughts will be with him as he begins a well deserved break this coming December. You will not be forgotten.
Thank you for attending our annual meeting!