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COMMUNICATION # 3-2009 03-30-09 WFRA Meeting Minutes

President J.K. Tabler called the regular meeting of the Firemen's Relief Association to order at 7:16 P.M. at Fire Station 9 with 13 members present.

Roll call by registration.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

Relief Fund bills were approved as presented on a motion by B. Banz, second by C. Whitchurch, motion passed with no opposition. Relief Fund balances were read to the body.

Welfare Fund bills were approved as presented on a motion by R. Stone, second by S. Trask, motion passed with no opposition. Welfare Fund balances was read to the body.

Communications: *None*

New Business:

From the Boards of Directors: *4 items*

1. The Board of Directors and Supervisory committee recommend donating a minimum of a \$1000.00 to the Kansas Firefighter's Museum, or matching the Local 135 Union donation. This donation will be to assist their efforts in increasing the size of the fallen firefighter wall. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$12,020.20.

Motion to concur was made by J. Bickel and second by B. Banz. After some discussion the motion carried unopposed.

2. The Board of Directors and Supervisory committee recommend buying one television, one DVD player, a big coffee pot, and a grill for the three new facilities that will be opening soon. The estimated cost is approximately \$6,000.00 total.

Motion to concur was made by J. Bickel and second by S. Trask. After some discussion the motion carried unopposed.

3. The conference this year is Great Bend April 22nd-25th. Our Welfare By Laws Section XXXIII state that the Association will send the Board of Directors to the KSFFA annual conference and other members may be asked to attend in the absence of Board members. The expected expenses will be presented at a regular Association meeting. The expected expenses are:

5 2/3 shift exchanges -	\$3000.00
Rooms	\$1000.00
Meals	\$ 600.00
Fuel	\$ 100.00
Conference Fees	\$ 500.00

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Motion to concur was made by S. Walker and second by A. Gattis. After some discussion the motion carried unopposed.

4. The Board of Directors and Supervisory committee recommend allowing \$1000.00, from the Welfare Fund, to be donated to the J.A. Todd memorial scholarship fund at the state conference in April.

Motion to concur was made by B. Banz and second by C. Whitchurch. After some discussion the motion carried unopposed.

From the Floor: *None*

Unfinished Business:

From the Board of Directors: *None*

From the floor: *None*

Good and Welfare:

From the Board of Directors: 4 items

1. President Tabler is retiring after a little more than 30 years on the Wichita Fire Department. He has served as President of our Association for the past two years and a board member since 2000. We would like to wish him well in his retirement and welcome our new President Charles H. Peaster, who will finish out Kerry's term. President Peaster is appointing Mark Riebenspies to Vice President.
2. We received a "thank you" card from the Elwood Neeley's family for flowers sent to his funeral.
3. BKD llp has been hired again this year to do our taxes and perform the audit. The audit will be during the month of May this year. The expected cost is approximately \$17,000.00.
4. The board asked the Secretary to increase the bond we carry on the Secretary, Assistant Secretary and the President from \$100,000.00 to \$500,000.00. The cost will increase from \$279.00 to \$529.00 annually. The Kansas Insurance Department would like all associations covered for the maximum amount of cash available. At times we do have up to \$300,000.00 in our checking account.

From the Floor: *1-Item Question from Last month's minutes*

A member asked the President Tabler and Secretary Jones if we should make the use of the 90-day prescription supply mandatory if you take maintenance medicine. Secretary Jones advised that our membership has done a great job thus far using the mail order when

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we ask them. The Board monitors the usage monthly and has talked about many ideas to contain costs, but would rather accomplish the savings by conviction to one another. Roger Ward is sending out reminders to those whom have monthly medicines and we have the forms needed in the office.

With no further business to consider a motion to adjourn was made by S. Trask, second by R. Stone.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

*Jason Jones,
Secretary-Treasurer*