



INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS
FEDERAL and MILITARY SECTION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

10 Feb 2015
Teleconference

Present:

Fire Chief Fletcher Dahman, Chair
Fire Chief Jonathan Mattingly, Vice Chair, At-Large Representative
Fire Chief Paul Murray, US Navy Representative
Fire Chief Albert Gilgallon, US Army Representative
Gary Brouse, IAFC Staff

Not Able to Attend:

Fire Chief Don Rodgers, DLA Representative
Deputy Fire Chief Tracy Young, US Air Force Representative
Vacant, Bureau of Land Management Representative
Vacant, US Marine Corp Representative
Vacant, US Coast Guard Representative

Board Meeting Call to Order: Chief Dahman called the meeting to order at 1310 (EST)

Request to Revise Agenda: None

Program and Presentation from Guest: None

Past Meeting Minutes of 13 August 2014:

Motion: Approve the minutes of the annual meeting as presented.
Moved: Chief Murray
Second: Chief Mattingly
Motion: Passed

Financial Report:

Staff reported the Sections financials ending Jan 2015.

Carry over balance of prior year 2014:	\$24,109.00
Income:	\$ 2,060.00
Expenses:	<u>\$ 330.79</u>
Net Asset Balance:	\$25,838.21

Motion: Approve the Financial report as presented
Moved: Chief Murray
Second: Chief Gilgallon
Motion: Passed

Report from Officers:

- Navy
 - ARFF vehicles being rebuilt and returned; Overall good quality and performance
 - Southeast Region has a lot of activities with IG going on primarily overtime & uniform issues
 - Reserve units still have funding/ Active duty money tight
 - Training money is available but no conference money
 - Labor Management Training being held in the region titled “the Uncivil Servant”
- USA
 - Met with Mr Staub , new Chief-Army Fire and Emergency Services at OSD
 - Army having challenges with staffing
 - Currently underfunded for apparatus; will not be able to fully fund until 2019
 - Able to fill existing position but no new positions
 - Continuing slow response from HR to fill positions
- HHS
 - Overall things are stable with minimal issue(s)
 - NIH receiving a new engine and working on the specifications for a new ambulance
 - Standing up a new emergency management position at HHS’s Research Facility in Montana;

Committee Reports:

- Chief Dahman selected Chief Murray to Chair the Election Committee:

Old Business:

- Membership
 - Chief Brouse- Will be updating the website and preparing eblasts to go out to potential members, KnowledgeNet
 - Chief Gilgallon and Chief Brouse met with Mr Monroe prior to the teleconference about the possibility of using KnowledgeNet as a communication tool for Fed Mil partners.
 - Mr Monroe was willing to provide non members a 6 month membership to provide access to KnowledgeNet for Federal Military communications
 - Reviewed existing members that have affiliation with DoD; will be sent a letter to join Section
- Recruitment (DLA,
 - Chief Don Rodgers was approved by the Board as the DLA representative replacing Chief Kenneth Pence.
 - On behalf of the Board we thank Chief Pence for his willingness to be a part of the Board and wish him well.
 - Reachout to prior USCG rep
- CFSI
 - Chief Mattingly made motion and Chief Gilgallon; approved to send Chief Dahman to Congressional Dinner
- Legislative Issues

- Two primary legislative issues that are being pursued by the Section are as follows:
 - Use of Government Purchase Card for food and water during emergencies and deployments. Needs to be all encompassing to include other Federal first responders (eg. NIH and Law Enforcement)
- Use of Federal Fire Apparatus for Funeral processions both Line of Duty and close associates
 - NIH – vehicles used as “incidental use”
- IAFC monitoring and supporting legislative provision on Federal Special Retirement – No TSP penalty for withdrawal under age 59 1/2

New Business:

- Chief Dahman suggested a possible letter from the IAFC President to OSD in regards to support at Fire Rescue International
- DoD Fire and Emergency Services and Working Group (DoD FESWG) Meeting; Chief Dahman reported that the DoDI 6055.6 is under rewrite and may take some time
- Chief Brouse reported the Foundation was out of Federal Military Commemorative Coins; Chair asked for new quote and send out to Section for discussion and possible approval

Good of Section:

- **Next Board Meeting:**
 - Mid May; Date TBD
- **Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 1410 hrs.
 - Motion: To adjourn meeting
 - Moved: Chief Murray
 - Second: Chief Mattingly
 - Motion: Passed

Minutes submitted by:



Gary Brouse
IAFC Staff Liaison
Federal Military Section