

Executive Board Meeting
8/25/2016
Vicksburg Convention Center

People present:

George Stevens
Henry Outlaw
Ricky Leister
Terry Tucker
Richard Stampley
Stan Owens
Ken Givens
Mark Whiteside
John Pope
Jennifer Williams
Billy Talley
Brad Smith

Meeting called to order at 936 by President Pope
Opened with prayer

Approval of minutes from Ridgeland and Natchez

- Motion to accept- Henry Outlaw
- Second – Ricky Leister
- Motion passed

Presentation of Financials by Jennifer Williams

- Motion to approve – Terry Tucker
- Second – Richard Stampley
- Motion passed

Stone update – Pope

- Have 20 on order
 - o If we like what we see, order another 20 stones
 - o Motion – Terry Tucker
 - o Second – Stan Owens
 - o Motion passed

Flags update – Mark Whiteside

- Discussed different options

George Stevens gave an update on the SAFER grant.

Scholarship discussion

- Ray Bryant
 - o Change to show relationship to member
 - o Show proof of admission

- MFFA
 - o Proof of admission
 - o Full time, Part time,
 - o Proof of enrollment must be shown before receiving check
- Motion to make above changes to scholarship applications – George Stevens
- Second – Ricky Leister
- Motion passed

Banking

- Motion to remove Jason Watkins and add Mark Whiteside –Brad Smith
- Second – Mark Whiteside
- Motion passed
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Minimum Standards Appointment

- Must be below the rank of chief
- Will be done by next week
- Next mtg 9/14
- Will be from the north

Flags/Stones

- Motion to use tag money to fund purchases– Terry Tucker
- Second – George Stevens
- Motion passed

Brad would like to step down from the Directors spot with NVFC

- Recommends Jennifer Williams to serve in his place and MFFA to cover her expenses
 - o Motion – Brad Smith
 - o Second – Stan Owens
 - o Motion passed

Budget planning – Pope

Motion to attend MML/MAS, pay booth registration and expenses/lodging/mileage for individuals manning our booth

- Motion - Brad Smith
- Second – Ricky Leister
- Motion passed

CFSI

- Plan to attend if our legislators will be there and available
- If not there, make plans to send group when they are there
- Motion to send 4 to CFSI and cover the table expense– Terry Tucker
- Second - Richard Stampley
- Motion passed

Committees

- Will assign and handle through email
 - o Legislative

- Scholarship
- Conference
- By-laws

Legislative Updates – Pope

Motion to pay mileage for Pope or whoever attends when traveling on behalf of the association – George Stevens

- Second – Henry Outlaw
- Motion passed

Gathered shirt sizes to order oxford style and polos from LL Bean

Membership benefits

- Additional benefits to members
- Motion for the bylaws committee to draft language to change dues from \$20 to \$25 – Henry Outlaw
- Second – Brad Smith
- Motion passed

Brad asked his IT department to put together an online database of FF deaths.

Beyerstedt request for 1500 speaker fee, air fare, and hotel for midwinter be paid out of tag money.

- Estimated 500-1000 airfare
- Maximum 2 nights lodging
- Estimated total of 2750
- Motion to pay 2000 for speaker and associated fees – Brad Smith
- Second – Terry Tucker
- Motion passed

Motion to add Pascagoula FFs LODD from 1952 train accident to MSFA memorial – Brad Smith

- Second – Terry Tucker
- Motion passed

Vicksburg talked about proposal for conference

Motion to adjourn – Brad Smith

- Second – Ken Givens