

Metro Business Meeting Minutes
Friday, August 3, 2012, 1-4 PM
Colorado Convention Center, Room 304

Call to Order & Announcements: President Dean

Chief Dean is running as a candidate in the 2013 IAFC 2nd VP election.

Metro Chiefs introductions.

National Fire Academy Presentation: Dr. Denis Onieal discussed NFA attendance, technology updates and new programs.

2013 Metro Conference Update: Chief Bob Khan and Assistant Chief Todd Harmes reported that the next Metro Chiefs conference will be in Phoenix, AZ from April 6-10, 2013. The new website will be www.metrochiefsconference.com and will be handed off to each subsequent host city.

Business Meeting

Call to Order: President Dean

Invocation: Secretary Few

Approval of Louisville Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes by Fincher; second by Richter - motion carried.

President's Report: President Dean reported on the Public Safety Alliance (PSA) memorandum of understanding to keep the organization active.

Vice President's Report: Vice President Bryant reported that he is currently working on the educational program for the 2013 conference. Any ideas for session topics should be sent to Vice President Bryant.

Secretary's Report: Secretary Larry Few reported on the 2012 new Metro Chiefs members. Please send any contact information for potential members to Secretary Few and he will send them a letter of invitation and application to join, especially in light of the revised bylaws (350 instead of 400 career personnel).

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Ken Block reported that as of June 30, 2102, the carryover is \$359,172, income is \$18,486, expenses are \$16,306, the change in net assets is \$2,180, with an ending net asset balance of \$361,352. Motion to approve the treasurer's report by Kerr; second by Brooks - motion carried.

Board & Staff Reports

Board Member's Report: Board Member Rhoda Mae Kerr reported that she has been working on recruitment in Texas and offered assistance to Vice President Bryant on the educational program.

Senior Board Member's Report: In Senior Board Member Stewart's absence, Russ Sanders reported that Bill was elected to the NFPA Board of Directors and the IFE Board. Thanks to everyone for supporting him for the Senior Board Position. Bill will have a report on the high-rise project at the next meeting.

Immediate Past President's Report: In Immediate Past President Ned Pettus' absence, Russ Sanders reported that Ned will be representing the Metro at next month's CFOA meeting in the UK.

IAFC/NFPA Board Representative's Report: Luther Fincher reported that he was re-elected to the IAFC executive committee for another year. He also requested feedback on the new Metro Chiefs track and reported that he is assisting President Dean with his campaign. He will be traveling to the CTIF meeting in September. FRI will be in Chicago next year.

IAFC Liaison's Report: Vicki Lee reported that the guided Metro Chiefs expo tours will be on Saturday at 1 pm.

Executive Secretary's Report: Russ Sanders

1. The video presentations from Louisville should be available online in the next week.
2. Sanders and Compton continue their work on the NIST high-rise project. The field experiments were completed a few weeks ago.
3. CTIF meeting will be in Bratislava, Slovak Republic, September 17-23, 2012.
4. The Urban Fire Forum will be at NFPA Headquarters, October 4-7, 2012.
5. The Metro Winter Board Meeting will be at the Salt Lake City Marriott Downtown, January 11-13, 2013.
6. Explained the new Metro bylaws change (350 career firefighters).

Committee/Project Reports

D-Block Update: President Dean

1. Paulison reported that the PSA was created with the intent that it would dissolve once the D-block was allocated; need to ensure a balanced representation.
2. FirstNet board of directors assignments will be announced in the near future.

NFPA Urban Fire Safety Project: Chief Otto Drozd reported that the El Paso Fire Department conducted focus groups to obtain feedback on how to ensure the fire safety message is communicated effectively to the community.

Old Business: President Dean

New Business: President Dean

1. Michos reported that IAFC is developing the 2013 conneXions schedule (“speed dating” with vendors). If you are interested in participating, please let her know.
2. Dyer encouraged Metro Chiefs to solicit support at the division level for President Dean in the 2013 election. Motion by Dyer for the Metro Chiefs to endorse President Dean and allocate up to \$5,000 for his campaign; second by Brooks – motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 1 pm MDT.