



MICHIGAN FIRE SERVICE INSTRUCTORS ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2022

Winter Inn

**100 N. Lafayette St.
Greenville, MI 48838**

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 12:04 pm by Vice President Blomstrom.

Roll Call of Officers:

President Bigger, VP Blomstrom, Treasurer Dean, Secretary VanHorn, South VP Wlosinski, West VP Cleveland, Members at Large Parker, Dornbush, Carroll, Past President Cousins.
(We have a quorum.)

Excused Absences: President Don Bigger, UP VP Vaught, East VP Wilson, North VP Silva, and Members at Large Hubbard.

Guests:

Eileen VanHorn

Pledge of Allegiance:

Approval of Agenda: Dean/Wlosinski – Passed

Reading/Minutes of Previous Minutes October 9, 2020: Parker/Dean - Passed
Executive Board Meeting Minutes (for viewing; no approval required)

Guest Presentations (Preapproved, 5-minute time limit): None

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Dean stated that we have \$46538.96 in the bank our Savings account has \$1797.40. Couple outstanding balances on the cards which comes from checking. Card #1 has \$ 00.00, card #2 has \$80.00, Card #3 \$934.52. Chris went through the power point that we received. We have a hold over balance from DTE to pay for mailings and Instructor payments for the DTE classes. Chris wanted to give Rick a quick thanks as he has been championing the DTE Project and taking care things cut and checks out to the instructors which has been a huge benefit to

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the organization, ourselves, and the instructors and even though we pay him a stipend its not even close to the time he spends on the project helping the overall arching organization achieve this goal for this project and provides this service of this project. VP Blomstrom asked what the real-life points on our cards are used for, Rick stated that he turns around and pays off our credit cards with them. Just some information on last years conference which was not held, we had 85 registrations that were paid for in advance. I returned monies from the account back to those that needed credit cards, or they paid out of their pockets back. There were 4 registrations that were held because the registrants wanted to use that for this year's conference.

Discussion held. Motion to accept report. (Carroll/Cleveland) Passed

Standing Committees

Instructor of the Year (**Wilson/Wlosinski/Blomstrom**):

No movement Discussion held.

Conference/Programs (**Bigger/VanHorn/Cleveland**):

Pres. Bigger Reported everything that was setup for last year has been shifted to this year's conference and instructors are being contacted as to whether they are teaching, If not we have to open up to find a replacement. Those that can meet the new dates have first rights and then we will fill with others to round out our conference. With the COVD restrictions we hope those will change by the time of conference, we are still moving on. Cleveland asked if we know who is still teaching at the conference.

Articles and By-Laws (**Hubbard/Wilson/Blomstrom**):

No report.

Membership/Web Report: (**VanHorn/Cleveland/Vaught**):

VanHorn reported that we have 395 current members that includes Lifetime members. There are members that fall off due to expiration and some that renew membership, this is continually changing. Membership is holding good.

Discussion Held.

Public Relations and Conference Advertising (**Silva/ Carroll/Parker/Dornbush**)

No Report

Education/Research/Development (**Dornbush/Cleveland/Hubbard**):

No Report.

Special Committees

Deward Beeler Scholarship (**Parker/Dornbush/Dean/Vaught**)

Member at Large Parker had reported they have 1 scholarship application so far from 2020. Motion by Thea Dornbush to award the 2020 Deward Beeler scholarship to Jacalyn Orth \$500.00. (Dornbush/Parker) Passed. Who is going to deliver the notification award it is Ray Wilson's and Mike Cousins area? Chris will make the check out and plan for the big check. VanHorn will send information to Mike. Discussion held.

Joint Council (**Wlosinski/Carroll**)

Member At Large Carroll reported moving forward with plans, council approved moving forward with funding, there was some rebalancing or coordinating the funds. The vender show they are working on currently. Discussion held.

Fire Fighter Training Council (Blomstrom)

Blomstrom had reported that the council receive notification that Ingham County board of commissioners has also entered into a State of Emergency, so therefor the headquarters is located in Ingham the council will continue to stay online and on ZOOM vs being in person. The next meeting will occur on Tuesday of next week will be online and ZOOM. Agenda was just posted with the ZOOM address attached to it. Discussed the agenda and the items on it. Discussion held.

Curriculum Committee (Wlosinski/Blomstrom)

VP Blomstrom stated they have not met for a while..

Coalition (Bigger/Blomstrom/)

Pres. Bigger has no report. Discussion held.

Public Assemblage Ad Hoc (Cleveland /Cousins)

No report no action

Reports/Communications

Upper Peninsula Vice President

No Report on vacation

Vaught

West Vice President

No Report

Cleveland

East Vice President

No report

Wilson

South Vice President

No report

Wlosinski

North Vice President

No report

Silva

Treasurer

No report

Dean

Secretary

No report

VanHorn

Executive Vice-President

McNeil being updated and hope to be at the conference.

Had emailed Dan Hammerberg about the NFA course call normally in March been moved to April. Brian will get back with him.

Blomstrom

President

No report

Bigger

Old Business
No Old Business

New Business

Agenda items for June
Agenda item about Coalition / Add to June Agenda.

Next Meeting Location.

June 11, 2021
Lunch: 11:00 am
Meeting: 12:00 pm
Charlevoix Fire Hall/ Station 56
8977 Martin Rd.
Charlevoix, MI 49720

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Adjournment
Motion to adjourn (Cousin/Dean). Motion Passed
Meeting adjourned at 3:07 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Secretary Rick VanHorn