

Piedmont North Carolina Firefighter's Association

Quarterly Association Meeting

July 24, 2013 6:30 pm Guil-Rand Fire Department

Welcome – President Ron Fowler welcomed everyone to Quarterly meeting. Special thanks to Chief Brian Cox and Guil-Rand Fire Department for hosting meeting tonight.

Invocation was given.

Meal – Sponsored by Sartin Services. Thanks to Sartin for the meal.

President Fowler introduced board members:

Ron Fowler–President

Brian $Cox - 1^{st} VP$

Steve Neal -2^{nd} VP

Ed Brinson – Treasurer

Chris Langham – North Director

A.C. Rich – South Director

Tommy Cole – Past President (absent)

Kathy Weatherspoon – Executive Secretary (absent)

Approval of Minutes from April 24, 2013 Meeting: Motion made and seconded to approve minutes with correction. Passes.

Treasurer's Report: Ed distributed treasurer's report for last quarter. Motion made by Len Needham and seconded to accept and approve report. Passes.

Association / Agency Reports:

1. NCSFA: Ed gave report for NCSFA. One of the strategic goals is to find out how many departments are represented at each Association. Conference planning is still going on. We will hold our first BBQ cook-off. Scott Hackler is handling this for the Association. Still need some more teams. We will cut Thursday night and Friday morning chop and sell at lunch. There will also be a rib cook off. Several things going on during conference. Expo show is largest we have had. Relief funds are due. There are some new info that is required now due to the forms submitted. Two signatures needed on any checks written and a copy of check will need to be submitted to the NCSFA. You have to submit a copy of bank statement from July 1-



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June 30. Deadline for submission of all paperwork is October 31. Insurance flyer was distributed on table for info. There are 13 scholarships distributed to the Piedmont region from the NCSFA this year. Tim Bradley introduced members of the NCSFA that were present. He is looking forward to working closely with the PNCFA and others across the State and continue Paul's work. Tim updated everyone on the legislature issues that were important to firefighters across the state, especially the worker's comp issue, pension funds and funding of the VIPER system.

- 2. Chief's Association: Chief Len Needham reported for the Association. He thanked the NCSFA for allowing them to participate in Legislature Day. He reported on the Association membership across the state. Working on mid-Winter Chief's Conference. If you have a topic idea, please let them know.
- 3. OSFM: Update given. Starting this fall, we will have 20 high school firefighter programs starting. Several are in the Piedmont. Updates on several other OSFM programs were given. Fire prevention week is coming up. For the first time ever, the NC State Fair has invited OSFM to present fire prevention this year. Looking for fire departments that have fire prevention programs for children to contact OSFM.
- 4. NCFFF report was given by Shane Allred. Very successful Memorial Service held in May. Expo coming up. We will hold a Memorial and Candlelight Service. We will be sponsoring a corn hole tournament during the BBQ cook-off. We will also be selling raffle tickets for a shotgun and Holland Grill as our fund raiser this year.
- 5. Several other reports were given.

Vendor Briefs – several vendor reports were given.

Old Business - None

New Business

- 1. Scholarship Awards were announced and introduced.
 - Kaytlyn Leondard \$1,000 Liberty Fire Department
 - Chad Hampton \$500 Thomasville Fire Department
 - Robert Nickols Jr. \$500 Thomasville Fire Department Brooks/Ward Educational Sponsorship
- 2. Fire truck parade on September 28 at Warrenton information was given.
- 3. Jerry Brooks stated that he thought we should donate money in Paul Miller's honor to the NCSFA 501C. Motion made by Chris Davis to donate \$1,000 in honor of Paul Miller to the NCSFA 501C fund. Motion was seconded. Passes.
- 4. Lisa Bender of the Tunnel to Towers gave an update.

Program — Mass Casualty Buses by Sartin Services



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Officers

Next Meeting – October 23, 2013 at 6:30 pm at North Carolina Emergency Management Emergency Operations Center, Raleigh, NC

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