

California Firemen's Muster Association
General Membership Meeting
October 20, 2007 – Los Banos, California

Meeting Called to order by President Jerry Kaufman at 10:00 a.m.

The audience was led in the pledge of allegiance.

Officers Present: President; Jerry Kaufman, Vice Presidents; Dean Young & Mike Paul, Directors; Kim Silva, Craig Peterson, Ken Little, Larry Sunia, Ray Camagna, Dennis Crook, Fred Wiersma, Richard Sammons, Tim Franks, Lisa Andreozzi, Bill Klatt, Bruce Ratliff, Paul Dilly, Treasurer Corky Pope, Secretary Pauline Young.

The agenda was approved on motion by Fred Wiersma, seconded by Richard Sammons.

Minutes of the March 17, 2007 General Membership meeting were approved on motion by Ken Little, seconded by Fred Wiersma.

On motion by Tim Arnhart, seconded by Kris Kaufman the Treasurers report was approved as presented by Corky Pope. On motion by Dean Young, seconded by Ken Little payment of outstanding bills was approved. .

The CFMA financial records were audited by Pat Sunia and Maye Bradbury and found to be in order and accurate.

Correspondence was received from Sacramento Fire Buff Club donating a cushman motorized hose cart, trailer and two hose carts to CFMA.

Jerry Kaufman reported that Elk Hart Brass had been nominated to Honorary Life Membership by the Board of Directors in the October 19, 2007 Board of Directors Meeting.

There were no new memberships.

Trophy Report: Dean reported that all is in order for the presentation.

Raffle Chairperson: Kyle Bridgman will be in charge of the raffle this evening and would appreciate help.

Health & Welfare: Kim Silva reported that the committee has been busy taking care of the needs of our members. Thank you to Sharri and Bruce for taking all the pictures to support the fund.

Cheney Funds: Joe reported that all is going great and they keep sending money. Motion by Joe Rosa to donate \$12,000 to Alisha Ann Ruch Burn Foundation, seconded by Tim Arnhart. Motion carried. Joe Rosa will be presenting the check in Clovis on Sunday December 9th for the Annual Christmas Dinner.

Children's Events: This last muster season the kids events were incorporated with the daily events using the Mutual Aid and Sonora trucks for the kids. This has been very popular and will continue.

Web Page: Jerry is a little behind, but will catch up in the next few weeks. Needs new ideas for the page, so contact him with ideas.

Scholarship Committee: Motion by Jerry Kaufman, seconded by Ken Little to approve the Scholarship criteria.

Other: Calendars will be priced at \$10.00 due to donations for pages and a great price by the printer. Sharri Bogdan made a motion to have the calendars available next year, second by Mark Bogdan. Motion carried.

Jerry Kaufman thanked membership for the \$1,000. that was used for packages to be sent to the troupes. Motion by Ray Hogland, seconded by Joe Rosa to allocate \$2,500.00 and postage to use for packages to be sent to the troops. Motion carried. A list of items need will be posted on the web page. Need to get names and addresses to Jerry so he can send the packages along with any special requests they may have (Jelly Beans, warm socks, etc.)

Thank you to Les Alderson who has been working on a program for keeping stats.

Rules and Regulations:

Course Officials: Dennis Crook withdrew the Course Official rule change.

Preservation class IV: Withdrawn at this time.

By-Laws: Motion by Dennis Crook to have one meeting in March for the General Membership meeting with a Board of directors meeting as needed, seconded by Tim Arnhart. Passed

On Motion by Pauline Young, seconded by Ken Little item XIII (Officers) will be changed as follows: The Vice Presidents are elected in October at the annual meeting for a term of (2) years. One Vice president will be elected each year at the October meeting for a term of (2) years so that only the term of one Vice President is due for election. In the event that two Vice Presidents need to be elected, the Vice President receiving the highest vote count will be for two years and the next highest will be for a one year term.

On motion by Pauline Young, seconded by Stan Stiener, item XVII (Gifts) will be added to the By-Laws: Acceptance of donations as assets (equipment, supplies, etc.) of the Association shall be by a vote of the Board of Directors at a regular scheduled meeting. Items for donation must be submitted in an itemized form in a written document. Upon acceptance or being declined the originator of the donation must be notified in writing of the decision of the Board. Items accepted by the Board will become property of the Association and utilized or disposed of as deemed necessary.

On motion by Judy little, seconded by Ken Little the criteria for the Scholarship Fund was approved as submitted. The Scholarship Committee will be Judy Little, Dean Young, Jerry Kaufman and Bob Beach.

Election of Officers:

Mike Paul was nominated for President. On motion by Ken Little, seconded by Fred Wiersma, a white ballot was cast, to approve Mike Paul as President.

Dean Young, Kim Silva, and Paul Dilley were nominated for the office of Vice President. Kim Silva, was elected to a two (2) year term, Dean Young, for a one (1) year term.

Directors nominated by the nominating committee: Craig Peterson, Ken Little, Larry Sunia, Dennis Crook, Fred Wiersma, Tony Dodd, Bill Fullterton, Steve Tobler. Nominations from the floor for Lisa Nix.
2008-2009 Board of Directors: Craig Peterson, Ken Little, Larry Sunia, Dennis Crook, Fred Wiersma, Tony Douds and Bill Fullterton,

Health & Welfare: Nominations from the floor included Tim Mrozinski, Tim Arnhart, Joe Rosa, Maye Bradbury.
Health & Welfare Committee members for 2008 are Tim Arnhart and Maye Bradbury.

Muster updates for 2008 by muster hosts included Murphy's, Firebaugh, Madera and Elk Grove. Columbia will be hosting its 48th muster on the weekend of May 3 & 4, 2008.

2009 Muster bid presentation were made by: Ferndale/Fortuna, August 29th and 30, 2009, at the Fairgrounds in Ferndale, Firebaugh June 21 & 22, 2009 and Morrow Bay for May 2009.

Joe Rosa requested \$200.00 to purchase gifts for the children at the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation Christmas Party, motion seconded by Pauline Young. Motion Passed.

Ken Bayer of the Sacramento Fire Buffs, made the official presentation of the cushman motorized hose cart , trailer and hose carts.

Tim Arnhart, thanked everyone for their support.

Jerry Thanked the Board for doing good job over the past 3 years. The past presidents for always being there to assist.

Jerry stated that the CFMA Booth is the hub of the organization. Thanks to Pat or Maye for doing an excellent job.

Special thank you to Sharri our photographer for a wonderful job. Thanks to Kim for chairing Health and Welfare Committee. Tim Mrozinski as our Chaplain, Edwina as hostess, Shirley Paul for the sunshine of cards, the announcers, Mark, James and Ron and especially Spike Bradbury for taking care of the cone. The Nominating Committee did an especially good job throughout the year.

Motion to recess to until the Awards Dinner.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Pauline Young, CFMA Secretary.