Central Western Firemen's Association Conference Meeting Versailles, Ohio July 29, 2017

Meeting was called to order by President Kevin Harman at 9:02am.

Welcome to conference by Past President Tom Hellard. He welcomed those in attendance. He stated we had a great night in competitions Friday evening. He also thanked the officers and everyone who helped set everything up and doing such a great job with conference.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Kevin Harman.

Response from CWFA by Vice President Dusty Johns who thanked everyone for coming out. Have fun and be safe.

Roll Call was taken of officers, members and Past Presidents by Secretary Lisa Hummel.

Reading of the Last Alarm was done by Mike O'Donnell.

Introduction of Miss CWFA 2017 and Court was made by Sandy Marchal.

Queen: Kassidi Alexander - Pleasant Hill-Newton Twp. FD

1<sup>st</sup> Runner Up: Katherine Banis - Liberty Twp. FD 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up: Mandi Bates - Bradford FD

3<sup>rd</sup> Runner Up: Rachel Whisman - Vandalia Fire Division

Miss Congeniality: Mandi Bates - Bradford FD

Presentation of the 2017 Bowling Awards was made by Northwest FD.

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Rossburg FD with 2455

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Versailles FD 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Northwest FD High Series: Northwest FD High Game: Brian Pearson

Reading of the minutes was made by Secretary Lisa Hummel. Motion to accept the minutes as read by Ken Saunders. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Adam Marchal. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report was read by Treasurer John Sands. Motion to accept the report as read by AJ Monnin. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Saunders. Motion passed.

## **Old Business**

Discussion was held as to whether the By-Laws have been updated to reflect changes in recent years, including those posted on the website.

## **Committee Reports**

Finance Committee: John Sands. Informed members the white meal ticket enclosed in the packets is worth \$7.00 at the food vendor stands. The tickets are for Past Presidents, officers and queen candidates. He also stated that Butler Twp. FD, Franklin Twp. FD. and Jefferson Twp. FD were approved but not listed members due to recent additions.

Competitions Committee: Dave Taynor. He thanked Versailles FD for a good job. He informed members to check

Out the equipment, have fun and be safe. He would like to have a Captains Meeting at 10:30am at Heritage Park if possible.

Brian Pearson also mentioned there is a rule change in the Tug of War competition. He states there is to be no intentional release of the line during the competition for the safety of the competitors.

John Sands reminded everyone to be sure to sign the release form to be eligible to participate in any competitions.

Fundraising Committee: John Sands for Angie Locker. There's no real change. We still have cookbooks available and will give them as prizes.

Constitution and By-Laws: Tom Hellard. Nothing to report.

Queen's Committee: Sandy Marchal. Sandy stated we had a good group of girls competing and the facilities were great. Thanks Versailles FD and to Kevin Harman for being a great contact person.

Equipment Committee: Dave Taynor. We're in good shape.

Host Department Committee: Brian Pearson. Thank you everyone. He also recognized Past Presidents.

## **New Business**

Brian Pearson read the proposed changes to the Charity Fund in regards to the new changes in law concerning cancer as a cause of line of duty death. This is the first reading.

Terry Applegate of Bradford FD expressed interest in Bradford hosting the 2018 bowing tournament.

Election of officers for 2017-2018 are as follows:

President: Dusty Johns – Versailles FD Vice President: Terry Applegate – Bradford FD Secretary: Lisa Hummel – Tri-Village Rescue Treasurer: John Sands – Vandalia Fire Division

Trustees (term expiring 2018): Karl Whisman – Vandalia Fire Division

Kimberly Baker – Tri-Village Rescue (to fulfill remainder of term vacated by Terry Applegate)

Trustees (term expiring 2019): Paul Taynor – Vandalia Fire Division

Adam Marchal - Pleasant Hill-Newton Twp. FD

Motion to accept the slate of officers was made by AJ Monnin. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Skip Eskin. Motion passed.

Oldest Active Firefighter in attendance is Jan Mottinger, 79 years old. He has been active for 52 years. He began in 1965 and became chief in 1991.

The department traveling the farthest is Jefferson Twp. FD who travelled 50 miles to attend.

## **Announcements**

Post Conference meeting will be held Wednesday, August 30, 2017 at 19:00 hours at Versailles FD. Awards from conference will be presented at that time.

The February Business Meeting will be held February 21, 2018 at 19:00 hours at Bradford FD.

The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Bradford Golf Outing will be held August 28, 2017.

Brian Pearson reminds everyone that all beverages must be in non-see through containers. He also asks that everyone help with tear down following completion of today's competitions.

Dave Taynor reminds everyone there will be a Captains Meeting at the west end of the parking lot at the park at 10:30am.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mike Krimm. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Taynor. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10am

Lisa Hummel

Respectfully,

**CWFA Secretary**