

VFPA Board Meeting
July 10 2013
Conference Call 2PM

1. Verification of Quorum

Present

Lee Duckwitz, Robbie Dawson, George Hollingsworth, Elaine Gall, Ernie Little, Jim Hartnett, Travis Wright, Steven Phillips, David Diamantes, John McCormick, Al Johnson, Ronnie Campbell, Duane Perry, Daniel Rakes, Absent Jeremy Luttrell, Shawn Maddox.

Moment of silence for those Killed in Wild land Fires

2. Approval of Minutes from VA beach – Minutes not available for approval.

3. Officer Reports

a. President /

- i. 7 day rule minutes out for comment within 7 days, 7 Days to respond then set in stone then posted within 7 days online for all to see. Next meeting Sept 5 or 12th Glen Allen .
- ii. Note there will be need to approve Next year venue before meeting so email vote or conference call to settle it. To be announced. I do see us moving on in venues but it must be a fiscal responsible move. Thus I expect huge improvement in Roanoke.
- iii. We shall purge our membership list of people behind in dues well over a year.
- iv. We have a need to improve some bylaws. By July 29 a letter shall go to our Secretary recommending the change so he can announce by Aug. 29 special meeting in Roanoke. In the interim if a board member holds more the one position I will has them to waive their right for second vote at meetings.
- v. Dawson is to continue for now our rep with IFMA. George Hollingsworth will rep VFPA at ICC Atlantic City due to our conflict with fall conference.
- vi. All members are to promote our scholarship, Vender program. Aug 28 agenda from ICC for Atlantic city will be out. Codes changes shortly after that.
- vii. Key Date region 7 meeting Sept 19, 20. We need strong presence to influence Atlantic City vote.

b. 1st Vice President

- i. IFSTA Conf. update, Review of Bylaws changes ,

c. 2nd Vice President

- i. Fire programs met in June, next meeting mid-August, will attend DHCD meeting next week until replacement is appointed by the Governor.
 - d. Treasurer/
 - i. \$20,352.0 COH, \$28625.85 CD/ outstanding 1000.00 Presidents coins, 1400.00 Robbie IFMA Conf. Filing fees for Non Profit application 550.00 To lawyer and 850.00 to US Treasury. George Hollingsworth moved to approve as submitted, Dave Diamantes 2nd. No opposition.
 - e. Secretary/ absent
 - f. Directors
 - i. Dawson fireworks moving forward in Richmond
 - ii. IFMA Chapter President's Meeting – Other chapters have many of the same issues dealing with fireworks, we have been meeting with a Senator regarding re-visiting his bill from last GA session.
 - iii. Dawson reported that he forwarded receipts totaling \$1483.68 covering the hotel and parking to the Treasurer who cut him a check for that amount. Considering the board action at the beach was limited to \$1,000 he will be cutting a check for the \$483.68 back to the Association –
 - 1. On a motion from George Hollingsworth and Second by Dave Diamantes, the Association will pay the entire \$1,483.68 and no reimbursement to the Association will be needed. The motion passed without opposition.
- 4. Old Business
 - a. Venue contracts/ discussion on Roanoke contract lack of money figures on food obligations. Rakes to meet with hotel rep next week and clear up. Discussion on use of other rooms for vendors breaks out meetings at Roanoke. Lee/Door prizes discussion on giving VFPA dollars toward merchandise table and upping a grand drawing quality at end of each day. Door prizes less but better quality. To control expenses better
 - b. Fall conference planning report- (Rakes) set on classes
 - c. Bylaw changes/ no more comment
- 5. New Business/motion to except committee assignments Elaine and Dave approve by all/
 - a. Committee assignments/

Technology and Website.

- . Jeremy Luttrell, Chairman
- . Shawn Maddox

Training and Education

- . Daniel Rakes, Chairman
- . Shawn Maddox
- . Dave Diamantes
- . Al Johnson

Merchandise

- . Duane Perry, Chairman
- . Ronnie Campbell
- . Jimmy Csizmadia
- . Steve Phillips

Bylaws

- . George Hollingsworth, Chairman
- . Dave Diamantes
- . Steve Phillips

Legislative

- . Robbie Dawson
- . George Hollingsworth
- . Elaine Gall
- . Lee Duckwitz
- . Duane Perry

Howard S. summers Scholarship

- . Dave Diamantes, Chairman
- . Elaine Gall
- . Al Johnson
- . Travis Wright

ICC REGION 7 Reps

- . Lee Duckwitz
- . George Hollingsworth
- . Duane Perry Alt.

Code review

- . Lee Duckwitz, Chairman
- . George Hollingsworth
- . Robbie Dawson
- . Elaine Gall
- . Ronnie Campbell

. Travis Wright

Facility Coordinator

. James Hartnett Chairman

. Scott Jones

Vender committee (New)

. Robbie Dawson

. Daniel Rakes

. Al Johnson

. George Hollingsworth

- b. Dawson. Potential insurance needs for trailer, assets. Liability 'will be getting quote for consideration next meeting.
- c. There was a lot of discussion by all, about the comments from Beach. Change vs. no change, where we have business meeting, to get better participation.
- d. Robbie makes motion to move to holiday inn. 2nd by Steve. Discussion by all pros and cons of moving. The critique from members at beach was over whelming to move venue. Info from hotel too vague at this time motion fails. Hartnett shall meet before end of month hotel Mgt. He will get concrete info so we can make a decision. We have a July deadline both Venues.

- 6. Other Business From the Board/none
- 7. Next Meeting Late Aug-early Sept 5/12 Glen Allen
- 8. Adjourn 1520pm