

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

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Minutes of Executive Meeting April 15, 2004 Firefighter's School - Milton

Members Present:

Scott Ryan	Ken Campbell
Daniel Corriveau	Bill Hogan
Miles Boulter	Noel Palmer
Dale Harris	Art Robichaud
Garth O'Brien	Wayne MacDonald
Shawn Jessome	Donnie MacEwen
Eric MacDonald	

Shawn Murphy was supposed to be here this evening but had to attend a different meeting.

Shawn moved, Daniel seconded the minutes of the February 12, and March 11 minutes be accepted as circulated.

Old Business:

- ⊗ Waiver still in the works.

Correspondence:

- ⊗ Catalogues and update letter on Service Memorial Gardens.

Treasurer:

- ⊗ \$78,000 revenue, \$63,000 expenses, \$15,000 net revenue so far this year.

Training:

- ✘ 37 Students ready for field work, 20 spaces. This include 9 from last fall that were complete at that time. The 9 from last year will start this Saturday. Last night, 24 showed up for the 11 seats, drew lots to fill the 11 and kept names for late fill ins. Will now run an additional field work this fall for the remaining 17 (will still break even at 17). We are now at the point where we could possibly (but barely) run a spring and fall session for lectures.
- ✘ If there are 3 others who are very close to meeting the field work entry requirements, we may look at the possibility of extra lectures through the summer to bring those individuals to the point of being able to bring the fall field work up to a full class of 20.
- ✘ Request for funding for security system upgrade for office and warehouse. \$2,495 plus taxes. Getting another quote from new business.
- ✘ Training aids, CD, study guide, etc. \$508.
- ✘ Garth moved, Eric seconded we purchase the training aids.
- ✘ Nearing completion on HazMat training. Need some final materials to complete. Need about another \$5,000 to complete. A great deal of the materials that were purchased can be jointly used between HazMat and general school use (compressor, cascade, computers) etc. Suggesting using about \$5,000 from the Association's general fund to finish off the HazMat.
- ✘ Will look at sending letter to MPs to see what help they may be able to find for us.
- ✘ Donnie moved, Shawn seconded we allocate \$5,000 toward HazMat.
- ✘ Have had another Scott cylinder fail visual test. Keep an eye out in your own departments that these cylinders do fail. Check them on a regular basis and keep the air fresh. Air is supposed to be changed every 90 days to keep them fresh.
- ✘ Hopefully some time in June, Station 1 is setting up a one day program for doing inspections, Bill will let the Fire Marshal's office know and they can circulate a notification.

Sports (Garth):

- ✘ Kensington FD would like to host the 2004-05 Hockey Tournament.
- ✘ Charlottetown Station 2 is hosting the Maritime Ball this summer (second weekend of July).
- ✘ National Firefighters Curling, outside Montreal, Dusty MacLure finished with a 5-6 record.

Fire Prevention (Bill):

- ✘ Monday in the Coles building, the Premier presented award to Metro Fire Prevention in Child Safety and Awareness. Metro Fire Prevention in the Miramichi promoting the Meeting Place signs that they started. Charlottetown City council recently presented local girl with NFPA life saving award. Award also went to neighbours who saved the parents in the Hensley St. fire where the young Noble child was lost.

Museum and Heritage:

- ⊗ Station 2's Federal coming along.

Fire Marshal's Office:

- Wayne Easter has presented a private members bill for a \$1,000 tax credit. Will take a lot of administration to keep it straight. The difference between this and what is already in place is that the existing deduction comes off any gratuity that is paid, this one is a credit against any source of income. This credit will benefit fire fighters who do not receive an honorarium or one that is less than \$1,000. The difference between what Wayne Easter is proposing and what he had voted against is that the one he voted against was for \$3,000 without replacing the \$1,000 deduction.
- ⊗ Holland College is in its final stages of putting together its accredited program, which should be a benefit to our Association. Fire Marshal's Office is working to help them get the accreditation. The understanding is that Holland College will maintain all the overhead, we will contract out our facilities and instructors.
- ⊗ Volunteers are now going to be getting free driver's licenses. Fire Marshal's office will take care of the preparation of the forms and send them to the fire department in advance. Departments will have to let the Fire Marshal's office know in advance who will be getting their license renewed.

New Business:

- ⊗ Are we going to be charging the Emergency Response Team for use of the internal simulator? We get a benefit by having their presence on the site.
- ⊗ Snowmobilers have been into the block house over the winter. We might be able to get another couple of years out of the door, but not a lot else.
- ⊗ Garth moved, Shawn seconded that we send Miles and another member of the Association to the Maritime Fire Chief's convention this summer.
- ⊗ Should send letter to Minister Shea in thanks for the free licenses.
- ⊗ Send letter to Wayne Easter in appreciation of his efforts.
- ⊗ The Metro Fire Prevention has some equipment in the Metro van which can be used for the HazMat team.
- ⊗ Cumberland County had a tour of our facilities with the idea of setting up a facility of their own. Amherst has some property that they can use that is already set up with pumps. They were impressed with our facilities, and were offered the possibility of using our facility for the practical end of their Level I.
- ⊗ Still waiting for containers to arrive.

Next meeting May 13, 2004 7:30 PM