

Prince Edward Island Firefighter's Association

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Minutes of the Executive Meeting
July 10, 2008 7:00 p.m.
Fire School

Members Present:

Dale Harris	Miles Boulter
Bill Gourley	Donne MacEwen
Rod MacDonald	Jason Peters
Ken Campbell	Gordon MacFadyen
Tim Jenkins	

Bill moved, Dale seconded to accept the minutes of the meeting of June 12, 2008. **Motion carried.**

Old Business:

- A proposal was forwarded with respect to providing a back up service for corners cases. A response to the proposal has not been received to date.

Treasurer:

- Gordon circulated a statement outlining the bank balance and expenses to be paid along with a report on outstanding accounts receivable. A discussion regarding the outstanding accounts receivable for XXXXXXXXXX. It was decided by the group that a letter be drafted to outline the specific accounts receivable, request payment and discuss the consequences of non-payment.

Training:

- Miles reported that he received information from a VP at Holland College that 125 applications were received for the next offering of their training.
- Holland College has received approval to offer an IFSAC certified Pump Operators Course. It is anticipated that the course will span two weeks.
- The APA building next door to the school had a window smashed. Nothing was taken just damage to the window.
- The final session for the APA program was offered today.
- Miles reported that Charles believes that he will have time to carry out additional improvements to the live fire simulator. Miles requested that the group approve expenditure to purchase the welding supplies required to make the improvements. A motion to approve the funding required to make the upgrades was offered by Jason seconded by Rod. **Motion Carried**

Fire Marshal's Office:

Ken reported that contrary to the text contained in Government's budget speech there is no new funding available for fire departments. There was some additional funding provided to the JEEP program for generators.

Ken reported that the division currently still does not have a full time Director. The current Director is on a secondment to the Department of Education. Until the position is backfilled Albert MacDonald has assumed the responsibilities on a part time basis.

A topic was discussed at the recent MFCA meeting and conference all other maritime provinces have legislation related to work lace cancer occurrences. Ken indicated that it is a good idea to remind the department that legislation is required.

The Department is conducting job interviews are being conducted for a building safety officer.

New Business

The CAFC has contacted the association soliciting our support for Junior Firefighter Program. The program is an awareness program. A notice will be sent out to all departments regarding the program.

Noel palmer was recognized by the MFCA for his long service. Noel was added to their honor roll.

Bernie Turpin was elected as the President of the MFCA.

Parks Canada has requested that they be considered for participation in the MFR and other programs offered by the fire school. Generally there was support for Parks Canada to participate but the question as to the ability for their organization to be some sort of member. Potentially they could be an associate member. A bylaw change may be required.

A video of the shootings at Columbine was shown to the group. There was a discussion of the protocols involved where fire alarms are reported in situations where a lock down is in effect. Police will want to use fire trucks as barricades for their members and to evacuate members and victims. Police conduct training for these situations regularly and will likely contact member departments to participate.

Medical First Responder/911:

Still no new progress to report. At this point a final report was to be completed and submitted by the end of June. To date a preliminary report has not been completed.

Information has been received that the Department of health has secured funding to support this initiative.

Meeting adjourned 8:45 p.m. Next meeting August 14, 2008 at the Fire School, 7:00 p.m.

