

Minutes for the February 26, 2019 Meeting of the Ct Fire Chiefs Association

Galley Restaurant Glastonbury

Training prior to the meeting provided by Robert Duval of NFPA on Fires in Buildings under Construction or Demolition.

Meeting called to order at 1900 by President Wallick.

Reading and acceptance of last month's meeting minutes were tabled due to the Secretary Richard McDonough being hospitalized after a fall.

Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Committee Reports:

Flanagan Scholarships: 7 scholarships will be awarded out of 13 application received.

NE Fire Chiefs Association: Chief C Flynn reported that the June Expo is scheduled for June 21-22 at Foxwood Resort Casino. Talks continue between the Association and the Division regarding merging the two groups.

Volunteer Workforce Solutions: this is the last year of the grant funding this group's work. Another grant is being applied to ensure their continued work.

Scholarships are still available to attend FRI and the two Symposiums.

Seminar on March 8 in Branford on Diversity and Inclusion in the Fire Service. Seats are still available.

NE-IAFC: Chief Steve Locke of Burlington VT FD will be installed at the IAFC Treasurer this summer.

CT Fire Fighter Memorial: Fundraising continues for the rehabilitation of the memorial at the CT Fire Academy. As the process continues, the committee will be reaching out to the fire departments with members honored on the memorial to confirm names and dates.

Commission on Fire Prevention and Control: No Report Much discussion was held on the current situation with State Fire Administrator Jeff Morrisette. The Joint Council will express their support to the legislature for Morrisette. Letters of support are forthcoming for numerous fire service agencies.

Legislation: there is much activity at the state house. Bills of interest to first responders continued to be tracked. (See attached report)

Education Committee: Meeting with the Speaker of the House is slated for March 5 to discuss the state of the regional fire schools among other topics.

Much discussion was held on the legislation that would provide funding for the Fire Service Cancer Registry with excise taxes on fireworks currently legal in the state. This discussion continues among the fire service groups within the state.

Fire 2025 CT: President Wallick reviewed the current work of the committee working toward a Fire Service Summit. Regional informational gathering meeting are scheduled for the coming weeks. Members are encouraged to attend one of these sessions. An on-line survey is currently available to

gather information for the committee to consider. ALL fire fighters and officers are strongly encouraged to complete the survey.

Website: Vice President Dixon reviewed the current status of the new website.

Old Business: None

New Business: Chief Dixon is working diligently on creating an up-to-date list of all of the fire chiefs in the state. He is asking members to reach out to him with any sources of this data in their area.

Correspondence: None

Good of the Association: None

Next Meeting: March 26, 2019 at Maneeley's Banquet & Catering 65 Rye Street in South Windsor.

Meeting Adjourned at 2045hrs.

Submitted by 2nd Vice President Robert Duval