

# OAPFF Executive Board Minutes 1-26-15

President Sanders called the meeting to order.

S/T Horton called the roll. All Board members and staff present with the exception of Director Quinn and Trustee Launder who were excused.

President Sanders welcomed newly elected 2<sup>nd</sup> Dist VP Mike Norman and commented on the impressive turnout of delegates at the special meeting.

S/T Horton gave Financial Report and provided a report with expenditures over \$1000.

Trustee Younkins reported that a fixed asset review was performed since the last meeting. He also reported that a Trustee's review of the OAPFF books was completed this morning.

Legal Counsel Henry Arnett reported that he

President Sanders reported the official retirement of Work Comp Rep Ken Kiefer and thanked him for his many years of service. He also spoke to the continued attention the OAPFF provides to members in the arena of work comp.

President Sanders also briefly addressed issues at the statehouse including HB261 which deals with creation of a Trauma Board. Thanks to the Ohio Fire Alliance for their support with our issues with the bill. Director Carney addressed some of the details with the proposal.

President Sanders announced that the OAPFF Education Conference will take place on March 6-8 and spoke about the topics offered.

Policy Manual Updates on the Metro Rep and Director of Communications job descriptions were presented as drafts for Board review.

VP Taylor reported as the Co-Chair of the Secondary Employment Committee. He presented a draft report on the committee's work. Motion to accept the report as submitted was made by VP Jon Harvey seconded by VP Roy Hollenbacher Motion passed unanimously.

A Biennial Conference update was given from Local 67 and President Sanders. The Conference Ad Book is being developed look for opportunity to promote your local soon.

## **Important Dates for Biennial Conference**

March 9<sup>th</sup> - Credentials sent to locals (75 days)

April 8<sup>th</sup> - Resolutions are due in to S/T (45 days)

April 23<sup>rd</sup> - Credentials due to S/T (30 days)  
April 23<sup>rd</sup> - Resolutions posted on oapff.org  
May 22<sup>nd</sup> - Board and Staff Report  
May 23<sup>rd</sup> - Early Committee Meetings/Registrations/OAPFF Reception  
May 24<sup>th</sup> - Opening Ceremonies/Conference until noon May 26<sup>th</sup>

Director Stern reported on the March Levies that the OAPFF is involved in. He announced the deadline for the 2016 First Due News Editions, March 1, June 1, Sept 1 and December 1. OAPFF Social media is growing and receiving better analytics than before.

Director Bernzweig talked about activities surrounding occupational cancer prevention throughout the state, much of it sponsored by the locals. He is currently working with Ohio Fire Chief's and BWC on Cancer awareness.

Director Carney reported that he is testifying about SB123 today. The OAPFF is continuing to work on Cancer Legislation Bills. The calendar for the General Assembly is in flux but being monitored by Director Carney. SB5 is having interested party meetings to discuss PTSD.

The Board and Legal Counsel discussed the AFLCIO efforts to address the US Supreme Court's decision on *Freidrichs v California* as it relates to fair share and Right to Work.

VP Hollenbacher asked for a moment of silence for Fallen Toledo Local 92 fire fighters Dickman and Machinski since today is the anniversary of their death. He spoke to the benefit of SERB training and the importance of OAPFF VPs and local leaders to attend.

VP Norman thanked the Board and Phil Gauer for their support. He has already had meetings with some locals about re-affiliation.

VP Taylor mentioned the Occupational Cancer Screening Program that is being implemented in Stark County with the work of Local 249 and local hospitals.

VP Harvey pointed out the great support that was given to Hamilton Local 20 during their recent LODD and thanked everyone for their help. He thanked President Sanders for presenting the IAFF Medal of Valor to Local 336 Middletown Fire Fighter who died die to a medical LODD. VP Harvey also spoke about the importance of attending SERB Classes.

VP Richard discussed status of some of the CBAs he has been working on. He briefed the board on other issues affecting locals in the fifth district. VP Richard talked about status of a local looking to rejoin the OAPFF. He announced that he is stepping down as Local 67 President within the next month.

VP Rave thanked Ken Kiefer for his years of service to the OAPFF.

VP Norman announced that President Szabo stepped down and Tim Corcoran is the new Local 93 President

Genoa Local 4307 is considering entering fact finding and asked for insight from the board.

Newark Local 109 reported that the city is talking about hiring part time fire fighters again. Local 109 President David McElfresh has been elected as President as his AFL-CIO Central Labor Council and urged all locals to join their CLC. The Board offered their congratulations.

Pension Trustee Jeff Moore reported that the Pension Fund is looking at a Health Care Funding and ways to make it sustainable. He also discussed challenges facing the fund in the future.

Columbus Local 67 discussed challenges with Ohio EMS Board and certification audits. They cautioned against signing consent decrees that may limit members ability to practice.

#### **OTHER IMPORTANT DATES**

February 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> IAFF State Rep Training  
March 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> OAPFF Education Conference  
March 29<sup>th</sup> OAPFF Board Meeting

#### **Spring District Meetings**

3<sup>rd</sup> Dist April 11<sup>th</sup>  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 1<sup>st</sup> District April 12<sup>th</sup>  
5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> District April 13<sup>th</sup>

The meeting was adjourned