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Minutes of Executive Board of OAPFF 140 East Town Street

September 23, 2013

Columbus, Ohio 43215

Mark A. Sanders, President

The meeting was called to order by President Sanders at 1:10 P.M.

Secretary/Treasurer Horton took the roll. Present were President Sanders, Secretary/Treasurer Horton, Vice Presidents Hollenbacher, Gauer, Taylor, Harvey, Richard, Rave, Trustees Moore and Younkins, and Sgt.-At-Arms Mitsch. VP Rave and Trustee Gunn were excused.

S/T Horton gave a report on the background in the Department of Labor issue, expense balances, and general financial status of the OAPFF.

The Trustees' report stated all expenses have been audited to date.

President Sanders reported 1150 new members over the last year with a total of 250 locals.

President Sanders reported on the St. Mary's Fitness-for-Duty case and pending court battle over implementation of an arbitrator's award. The OAPFF may participate with the IAFF to assist enforcement, as this issue has statewide implications. Henry Arnett stated there was pressure on the local to drop the case and if Clemans Nelson succeeds, we will see this attempt in many other locals.

There was a question from Mike Maher, PIO of L#4307, asking what constitutes an exhaustion of the local resources. President Sanders responded that cases are studied on an individual basis and assistance is provided for statewide issues. President Sanders state the Local wanted this to go away, but again this issue has statewide implications. Discussion was held.

President Sanders provided a handout of a cross section of Carney and Stern's assistance. He asked everyone to reach out for assistance in your area as needed.

President Sanders reported on the ORSC and SB 340. A meeting will be held with the FOP to prepare for future problems. Director Petrick gave an overview of the SB 340 3 Year Plan and explained how changes take time to show up on the books.

President Sanders reported that the pension system continues to be on sound financial footing.

President Sanders reported he will be attending a NFPA 1710 staffing meeting in Atlanta.





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President Sanders reported that Tom Bourquin is the IAFF-MG Ohio coordinator.

Director Quinn reported on a new Shuan Probert Poker Run fundraiser to be held next year.

Motion by Sanders, second by Taylor, to establish a statewide chapter of the IAFF Motorcycle Group. Passed 7-0.

President Sanders reported on pension issues in Cincinnati with city employees. He reported the AFL-CIO is supporting labor in the Cincinnati issue.

VP Taylor reported on the Part-Time Employment committee and provided a handout. He discussed a survey being sent to all local presidents.

President Sanders reported that the part-time issue is one of education and if not addressed, will be the downfall of the Ohio Fire Locals. He also reported we will concentrate on our members working in other IAFF locals.

VP Gauer reported on contract provisions addressing part time employment.

VP Harvey reported on the Representation Committee and their recommendations. Discussion was held and President Sanders will meet with the committee chairs.

Director Quinn announced the Winter Educational Conference February 9^{th} – 11^{th} and a handout of upcoming training was provided. He reported Stewards Training is in process with a possibility of participation by Toledo and Sylvania.

Director Carney reported on fracking and the Right To Know legislation. He commented on Wachtmann's abilities and his intentions. He commented on paid calls being made for this election cycle. He discussed Right to Work legislation and polling.

Director Petrick discussed fire fighter safety regulations that are postponed until 2014. He discussed preemployment physicals and the issues involved.

VP Hollenbacher reported on Cheri Hoss' death (rock climbing). He reported on the race of Mayor Bell for the mayor of Toledo. He reported on negotiations at Delphos and possible layoffs.

VP Gauer reported that he is currently involved in 3 separate local negotiations. He reported on the problems ongoing in Stow and reported 3 new locals, Mayfield Village, Brunswick, and Cuyahoga Heights. He reported Coats for Kids has 3,000 USA-made coats coming to the 2nd District.

VP Taylor reported on the Madison Fire District.

VP Harvey reported on the Hillsboro local issues. He reported that Gaye Jordan, Dayton L#136 President, was a representative at the National AFL-CIO Conference in Las Angeles.

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VP Richard reported on the Redmond Symposium. He reported on the Chillicothe station closing. He gave thanks to Director Carney and Doug Stern for the involvement with Franklin Twp. and their levy. He discussed the Delaware local and a possible vote of no confidence.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Mail forum

Submitted by,

Mark Horton

Secretary/Treasurer

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