

NATIONAL FIRE INFORMATION COUNCIL, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 7, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 1150 hours by President Charles Scott in the Dining Hall conference room on the campus of the National Fire Academy, Emmittsburg, MD. . The first item on the agenda was the election of new officers.

President:

A motion by Mr. Scott, seconded by Ms. Wann, was made for Virginia Garza for president. No other nominations were voiced. By unanimous vote, the secretary cast one vote for the ballot as slated.

Vice-President:

A motion by Ms. Garza, seconded by Mr. Farley was made for Melissa Gannie for vice president. No other nominations were voiced. By unanimous vote, the secretary cast one vote for the ballot as slated.

Secretary:

A motion by Mr. Scott, seconded by Ms. Kinsey, was made for Mike Fogelman for secretary, which was respectfully declined by the nominee. A motion by Mr. Scott, seconded by Ms. Wann, was made for Terry Harcrow for secretary. No other nominations were voiced. By unanimous vote, the secretary cast one vote for the ballot as slated.

Treasurer:

A motion by Mr. Farley, seconded by Mr. Fogelman, was made for Cathy Wann for treasurer. No other nominations were voiced. By unanimous vote, the secretary cast one vote for the ballot as slated.

Outgoing President's Remarks

Outgoing president Scott voiced his thanks and gratitude to the executive committee and the board of directors for their support during his presidency. He reported that there was approximately \$79,000 left in the treasury. According to our legal counsel, we cannot legally disband without first disbursing all funds to some charity. Mr. Scott indicated that Larry Barr was looking into some funding alternatives. Mr. Scott stated that the organization needs to look into grant funding in more detail.

President's Remarks:

President Garza thanked everyone for their support for her presidential nomination. She indicated that the USFA has committed to allowing the group to meet every two years.

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Other business (synopsis form)

- Discussion about our communications with the US Fire Administration.
- We have someone to work on the website.
- Need to improve communications amongst board members.
- Reducing training money to states.
- Need to include NFIRS in more NFA classes such as EFO program.
- Suggest meeting with USFA to query them as to what they think the value of NFIC is to them.
- Need more time in regional caucuses.
- Need to maintain regional communications.

Regional Elections:

Region 1:

Region 1 voted to continue with the same group of board representatives with Suzanne Vaughn, Stan Baranowski and Rob Farley

Region 2: Terry Harcrow, Marion Long, Dennis Mulder

Region 3: John Weckerling, Vicki Fraase, Cathy Wann

Region 4: Melissa Gannie, Manuel Neves, Virginia Garza

Metros: Charles Scott, Mike Fogelman, Karyl Kinsey

The meeting then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Robert B. Farley

Acting Secretary