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CVVFA October 16, 2005 Booster Meeting

Level, Maryland

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The Booster meeting of the Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association was called to order by President Gene Worthington. President Gene introduced Senator Bob Hooper who thanked the firemen for all the good they do for the Fire service.

Invocation was given by Charles Myers in the absence of both Chaplains, followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

Guest, Bobby Balta, First Vice President of the MSFA, was introduced.

Thank you was given to the Level Ladies Auxiliary for the delicious meal they prepared and served. They were presented a check from the organization.

Roll Call was taken by the Secretary, Joan Cumberland.

Officers present were:

President - Gene Worthington
First Vice President - Marshall Younker
Second Vice President - Steve Flickinger
Treasurer - George Dove
Financial Secretary - Stephen McBee
Recording Secretary - Joan Cumberland
Home Office Manager - Steve Heefner
Publicity Manager - Robert Timko

Directors present:

Steve Haines - PA.
Robert Cumberland - MD.
Wayne Baker - MD.
Walter Robertson - VA.
Stephen Austin - DE.
Robert Hahn - DE.



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Past Presidents present:

George J. Dove
Larry W. Smallwood
Wayne A. Baker
Harry C. Alt
Charles E. Myers
Stephen P Austin
Robert P. Cumberland
Stephen E. Heefner
Stephen C. McBee
William Dean Simpson

16 Companies present, 30 Members present and 5 Guests•Total in attendance 35.

A motion was made by Dean Simpson seconded by George Dove to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Pappy Hahn gave a report on the Safety training held at the meeting. There were 15 persons in attendance. Everything went well and it was a learning experience for him also.

OFFICERS REPORTS;

President Gene read his report and is on file. Some of the Highlights of his report were:

- He had attended 21 functions since Convention.
- Thanks to everyone for the invitations he has received.
- Thanks to all the Chairpersons for their co-operation.
- He announced the 15 goals he is asking for this year.

Gene then ask Steve Austin to introduce Dewey Thomas from Newark who spoke on the scheduling of Fire Companies.

Gene ask that the Secretary be provided with dates and locations of all out of State Conventions.

Gene also said he attended the Ground Breaking of the Maryland Firefighters and Rescue Memorial.

Gene announced that he was appointed by Governor Erhlick to the EMS Corp in Maryland for a 4-year term.

Second Vice President Steve Flickinger welcomed everyone and thanked his committee. Steve announced for those who will be attending the booster meeting in March, the Host Company is in the process of making Saturday reservations for the Hockey Game tickets. Anyone interested in going please let him know as soon as possible.

Treasurer George Dove gave his report.

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Treasurers report on file.

Financial Secretary Steve McBee reported there are 9 companies that have not renewed dues and 314 individual members that have not renewed. His report is on file.

Recording Secretary Joan Cumberland expressed she will try to fill the duties of her office as best she can and if there is anything she should be doing that she is not please let her know. The rest of her report is on file.

Home Office Manager Steve Heefner announced the Halfway Company will be hosting the Winter Board meeting on January 8, 2006. Light refreshments will be served. The next Booster meeting will be held March 19,2006 at Newport, PA..

Publicity Manager Robert Timko said he needs ads from individual Fire Companies and would like to double the increase this year. His suggestion was to get ads from companies and people you may work with. He wants to send out letters in January. He will be using the same printing co. as before. He will even take political ads!!!!

Board of Directors:

PA. - Charlie Myers thanked everyone for attending their Convention.

PA. - Steve Haines thanked everyone for a nice meeting.

MD. - Wayne Baker thanked Level for hosting the Booster meeting. He said he attended the dedication of the new New Windsor, Maryland Fire Hall.

VA. - Walter Robertson gave a report which is on file with the secretary.

DE. - Robert Hahn thanked everyone at Level for the meeting and informed the group that as of September he will assume the office of President of Delaware State Fire Police.

Steve Austin viewed the Public Highway Safety Education DVD entitled "Sarah's Story". He also discussed the Public Education Component of Protection Emergency Responders on the Highway White Paper. Steve also reported on the grants, not knowing where the money will come from next year. He then ask Jeff Ringer to report on the Fire Corp. Jeff said they are looking for a vehicle to travel with that would be serviceable to their use. Jeff said the progress is slow with registering in the program to bring in new members to come in to do traffic control through the Fire Corp.

Committees:

Legislation: Bernie Smith said the State Legislation Pull Over Law Bill needs to be Rewritten and should be reviewed by Attorney Howard and plan to market it before it is introduced. Bob Cumberland reported the last week of October, first week of November the Fire Prevention Grants will be reviewed and we should keep and eye on them.

Recruitment & Retention: Gene reported there have been 25 new applicants given to Steve.

Surplus/Procurement: A report from Hobart Howell reference to any items that may be needed around the states.

Unfinished Business:

Audit Committee goal is to look into the By-Laws and report later on this.

The Bricks for Louise has been purchased and paid for.

New Business:

A motion was made to accept the offer to hold the 2007 Convention in Winchester, VA. August 1st thru 4th by Steve Heefner seconded by Steve Mcbee. Motion carried.

Steve Heefner said there was Convention interest by Berkeley Springs and Milford ,DE And Booster meetings interest by St. Thomas and West Fall, Martinsburg. A discussion on Buy Out members was held. Gene suggested he would talk to Howard on this subject.

Suggestions for the Good of the Order:

Bob Cumberland ask that all By-Laws be handed back in to be corrected.

The Booster meeting will be held in Newport- Days Inn Front Street, Harrisburg.

Help is needed on the Web site and maybe a photo page.

Benediction was given by Charlie Myers .

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm..

Respectfully submitted, **Joan Cumberland**, *Secretary*

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