

**Quarterly Meeting**  
**Utah State Firefighters' Association**  
**Richfield, UT**  
**April 8, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Utah State Firefighters' Association was held at St. George Fire Station in St. George, Utah on Saturday, April 8, 2017.

Meeting was called to order by President Lance Nay.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Brent Prisbrey

**Invocation:** Russ Cowley

**Officers Present:**

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President - Lance Nay	Chaplain – Russ Cowley
1st Vice President – Mike Ahlstrom	Sergeant-At-Arms – Brent Prisbrey
2nd Vice President – Eldon Farnsworth	Historian/Photographer – Trisha Thomas
Secretary - Gina Bell	L & L Committee Chairman - Ryan Mellor (excused)
Treasurer – Brent Marshall (excused)	Rep State Fire Prevention Board – Mike Phillips (not present)
Membership Steward – Perry Skaug	Rep UT Fire and Rescue Academy – Hugh Connor (excused)
Trustee - Brady George	Rep UT Standards and Training – Jason Winn (absent)
Trustee - David Gillette	Rep UT Fire Museum - David Hammond
Trustee - Coty Chadburn	Rep's National Volunteer Fire Council - R. Wendell Robison (excused)
Trustee - Eddie Hales	2017 Convention Chairman - Travis Graff
Trustee – Andy McBride	State Fire Marshal – Coy Porter (excused)

**Past Presidents Present/Excused:**

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R. Wendell Robison - Fillmore City (excused)	Ryan Mellor - Salt Lake City (excused)	Harold Chadwick - Grantsville City
J. Merlin Baker - St. George	Brent K. Marshall - Grantsville City (excused)	Drew Rasmussen - Fillmore City
Leonard Miller - Price	Robert Harrison - Spanish Fork	Joe Bona - Payson City
Travis Graff - St. George	Jeff Norton - St. George (excused)	Ron Harris – Tropic City (excused)
	Stan Robins – State Fire Marshal's Office (excused)	

**Past Trustees Present:**

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R. Wendell Robison - Fillmore City (excused)	Leonard Miller - Price	Harold Chadwick - Grantsville City
J. Merlin Baker - St. George	Ryan Mellor - Salt Lake City (excused)	Mike Ahlstrom - Tropic City
Brent Marshall - Grantsville City (excused)	Robert Harrison - Spanish Fork City	Drew Rasmussen - Fillmore City
	Lance Nay - Richfield City	Jeff Norton - St. George
	Travis Graff - St. George	

**Past Secretaries Present:**

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**Past Treasurers Present:**

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Rowe Harrison – Tooele (excused)

**Past Law & Legislative Committee Chairman Present:**

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**Past Historian/Photographers Present:**

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Leon Hadley - Grantsville City	Errol Dearden - Fillmore City
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**Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

Motion to accept: Brady George

2nd: Leon Hadley

Motion passes.

**Report of the Treasurer:** No report.

**Report of the Secretary:** Letters have been forwarded to Brent for benefit payment for Tyson Mason–Salt Lake City, Travis Peterson–Cache County, Ronald Graves–Mapleton City, Richard Bills–Mapleton City, and Brent Curry–Tooele City. She have emailed out the insurance contract to Lance, Brent and Brady. She brought a few extra copies for anyone who is interested in looking it over. She has been working on convention files and delegate letters will be mailed out soon.

Motion to accept report: Harold Chadwick  
2nd: Brady George

Motion passes.

**Report of the Membership Steward:** Perry indicated that we have 522 Lifetime Members, 59 paid Departments and 2,150 paid members. This includes 251 new members. We have 4 departments who haven't paid since 2015, 3 departments who haven't paid since 2014 and 2 departments who haven't paid since 2013.

Motion to accept report: Andy McBride  
2nd: Robert Harrison

**Report of the Law & Legislative Committee:** No report.

**Report from State Fire Prevention Board:** Nothing.

**Report from the Utah Fire & Rescue Academy:** Gina read the report from Hugh Connor. It said: Probably the most important piece of information from the state fire Academy is reminding the board of winter fire school on the 20th and 21st in St. George. A lot of the classes are full and if the Chiefs want their fire fighters to attend they may want to get online and take a look at what classes are still available. I believe we are expecting around 800 firefighters this year. Thanks for spreading the word Gina. Gina also added that if you are going to be at Winter Fire School, sign up for Billy Goldfeder's class. He's an incredible speaker.

Motion to accept: Brady George  
2nd Ryan Mellor

Motion passes.

**Report from Standards and Training Council:** Gina received a report from Jason Winn. She read the report to the membership. Brad Wardle reported for Hugh Connor that for the first time in memory, UFRA ended the 2015-2016 year without a roll over with the budget. The Aviation Tech Education Council (ATEC) have met with UFRA members twice and an agreement has been reached. An area has been cleared to use at the back of the UFRA property. UFRA is waiting on ATEC for further action. The Regional Fire School in Moab was well received and very successful. A request was made for a regional fire school to be held in Duchesne, in the north end of the state and possibly the Delta area. There is a Firefighter Mental Health Initiative and they are trying to get awareness out on this. The Unmanned Aircraft Systems Curriculum is being put in place. The goal of the UAS is to utilize the available technology in incident command, fire investigation, etc. The first Engine Company Inspector class is underway.

Motion to accept: Brady George  
2nd Ryan Mellor

Motion passes.

**Report From National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC):** Nothing to report.

Motion passed.

**Report of the Fire Marshals Office:** Report included with Ryan Mellor's report.

**Report of the Trustee's:**

Brady George indicated that the Treasurer's computer has arrived. Brent Marshall ordered a laptop online and it came looking old and used so he returned it. Gina Bell found and purchased a new laptop for Brent, including accounting software. The board approved to replace the Secretary's laptop due to the current one being old and starting to have problems. The insurance policy has been taken care of and now the Association has a policy in place against theft. Due to the type of coverage this is, the policy will replace the liability bond requirement. We will be requesting a bylaw change at convention to implement a business membership option. Businesses can join for a minimum \$250.00 membership fee. They cannot vote or participate in bylaw changes but they can pay to participate in association events. Eddie Hales did a ton of work on this. If you want to see the wording on the bylaw change, contact Brady George. Gina Bell is arranging for a firefighter with Salt Lake City Fire Department to clean up the Association's logo so that it is more usable and looks better. There has been an issue with the license plate decal. The State was almost out of the stickers and thanks to Brent, Leon and the Museum, this has been taken care of. For future payments of the stickers, the Association will be setting money aside to cover the orders. Harold Chadwick asked if we are continuing to pay for more new stickers. He inquired on the amount of money that's coming back to the association (License Plate grant) and wants to know why the amount hasn't gone up.

Motion to accept report: Travis Graf  
2nd Harold Chadwick

Motion passes.

**Report of the Convention Chairman:**

Travis Graff asked Roger/Richfield Fire Department to talk about convention and answer questions. Travis indicated that Richfield has had great community and vendor support for our upcoming convention. There will be an early morning ATV ride upon Fish Lake depending on snow. A hot breakfast will take place at the lake. The Golf tournament will be Wednesday morning. They have great speakers lined up and ever activity has a meal with it. Roger asked if anyone has had problems getting rooms as at least one of the hotels that Richfield did a block with, hasn't been releasing the rooms to departments due to some confusion on the hotels end on who the block was because Roger set them up as the Association. He believes this should be corrected now. As indicated at the January meeting, they are planning a Fire Truck Rodeo. The meetings will be held at the Event Center and the Ladies meeting will also be at the Event Center. The cost this year will be \$90.00 in advance or \$100.00 for late registrations. The theme this year will be Fueled by Fire - Driven by Courage. The site is located at: <http://richfieldfiredepartment.weebly.com>

Motion to accept report: Coty Chadburn  
2nd – Andy McBride

Passed.

Old Business: None.

**New Business:** None.

The Quarterly Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

**THE INSTALLATION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, JULY 8TH, AT 12:00 P.M. THE GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 4:00 P.M. AND DINNER WILL BE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE MEETING. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE BRYCE CANYON GRAND HOTEL IN BRYCE CANYON.**

Respectfully submitted,

Gina M. Bell, Secretary

