

AFABF Meeting Minutes
RSA 8th Floor
February 14, 2012

The Alabama Firefighters' Annuity and Benefit Fund Commission met 10:00 am on February 14, 2012 in the RSA building in Montgomery, AL.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dale Wyatt. Members present were:

Chairman Dale Wyatt
Vice-Chairman Reid Vaughan
Charlie Dixon
Robert Ezekiel
Roy Mott
Executive Director Milton Parsons

Presenting his letter of resignation to Chairman Wyatt, Commissioner Roy Mott stated that it has been his pleasure to serve with each member. He leaves to fulfill his appointment by Governor Bentley as a Commissioner with the Alabama Fire College. He feels that the Annuity and Benefit fund is on the right track, and the fund set-up will be completed in a timely manner. His resignation was accepted, with appreciation for his service.

AAVFD President Chauncey Wood appointed Tuscaloosa County Association President and Duncanville Fire Chief Billy Doss to fulfill the remainder of Roy's term, which will expire September 30, 2012. Billy was welcomed to the board.

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Charlie Dixon presented the invocation.

The minutes of the January 25, 2012 meeting were unavailable. Acting secretary did not attend meeting. Minutes were kept by board member.

Executive Director Milton Parsons outlined several bills introduced by AFABF in this legislative session. John Hixon (334-328-0303 cell) also provided perspective from the Alabama Peace Officers Association.

HB275 – Constitutional amendment to levy additional on-half mill annual state ad valorem tax to be distributed among state fund and Alabama Firefighters and Alabama Peace Officers Annuity Fund.

Motion to support by Charlie Dixon

Second by Billy Doss

Motion accepted unanimously

HB188 – Amend to provide for a voluntary annual fee (\$3), less an administration fee (not to exceed 3% of revenues remitted to fund), on each property and casualty insurance policy issued.

Motion to support by Robert Ezekiel

Second by Reid Vaughan

Motion accepted unanimously

The concept of a \$5 fee added to the purchase of a Firefighter tag, with proceeds going to AFABF, was discussed.

Motion to look into this matter by Reid Vaughan

Second by Charlie Dixon

Motion accepted unanimously

Robert "Zeke" Ezekiel presented information concerning the establishment of an e-groups newsletter. Consensus was that Zeke pursue this project.

Zeke is also going forward with plans for a temporary office, with a part-time employee, at the Alabama Fire College. When the fund is fully functional and money become available, AFABF will look into obtaining a permanent office. Motion was made to give Dale the latitude to negotiate office space, computer access, files and desk space with AL Fire College Director Allan Rice, or appropriate parties, for office facilities, not to exceed \$20,000 annually. He is also authorized to negotiate a 6-month contract for an administrative support assistant for a 16-hour week at less than \$24 per hour.

Motion to support by Reid Vaughan

Second by Charlie Dixon

Motion accepted unanimously

Reid Vaughan reported that an update of the AFABF brochure is needed to cover new information and requested authority to reprint. The new brochures, along with a letter, would be sent to all fire departments. Motion to allow up to \$2,000 for this project was made.

Motion by Billy Doss

Second by Robert Ezekiel

Motion accepted unanimously

Reimbursement of other expenditure incurred by Reid was approved. Reid also stated that the

Board should look into reimbursement for travel expenses for Executive Director Milton Parsons. The Board instructed Mr. Parsons to provide an itemized expense voucher at the next board meeting, which they would take under advisement at that time.

Motion to adjourn by Reid Vaughan

Second by Charlie Dixon

Motion accepted unanimously

 10-11-12
Dale Wyatt, Chairman


Sandra Mott, Acting Secretary

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Date