IFBA Region 10 Business Meeting

Toronto Fire Academy November 3, 2018 1:55 p.m.

Present: Gord MacBride, Peter Garnett, Dave MacDonald, Jennifer MacDonald, Carolyn Wignall, Mike McNulty, Herb Galloway, Ken Buchanan, James Buchanan, Greg Brown, Bob Rupert, Steve Garnett, Gary Wignall, Ian Duke, Desmond Brett, Larry Ward, Walt McCall, Harold McMann, Rick Fountain (Total 19).

A quorum of representatives from a majority of the Regions Active Member Groups was present.

Old Business: None.

New Business

New Members: Two clubs were welcomed into Region 10 at the IFBA's 2018 Annual Business Meeting in Racine: Box 690 Fire Department Canteen Association (Kitchener, ON, <u>box690.com</u>) and the Unité Communautaire de Mesures d'Urgence (Delson, QC, <u>ucmu.com</u>). President Garnett is pursuing three other potential member clubs in Quebec.

Comments from floor that the process to vote in member clubs is too lengthy.

Motion made by Rupert seconded by J. MacDonald that the membership process should be sped up. Applications vetted by a Regional Vice President should go from the Membership Committee to Executive Board for immediate approval. Motion carried unanimously.

Question from President Garnett on whether new clubs receive a certificate recognizing them as an official IFBA member. K. Buchanan stated the Box 43 Association is in possession of a certificate and would forward an image to President Garnett.

Executive Office: Wally Banks was sworn in as new IFBA Executive Vice President during the 2018 IFBA Convention in Racine.

Candidates for the Office of Regional Vice President: G. Wignall stated he is not seeking re-election for the 2019-2020 term, and informed members that Dave MacDonald is the selected candidate for Office of Regional Vice President.

Committees: Call to the floor for any individuals interested in serving on an IFBA Committee or Subcommittee. No names brought forward.

Communication: Request by J. MacDonald to receive more of the communications from the Executive Office, as she was unaware of the IFBA's call for volunteers to serve on the various committees and subcommittees.

K. Buchanan requested greater communication within Region 10, with emphasis on activities of buff clubs north of the border. He would also like to be notified of the Turn Out publication deadlines further in advance.

Turn Out Magazine: Multiple members report they did not receive confirmation of receipt when sending articles to Turn Out magazine, and that their content was subsequently never published. Duke advised the correct email is turnout@ifba.org.

Upcoming Events

2019: The Annual Convention is from June 26 - 29, 2019 hosted by the Pompiers Auxiliaires de Montréal. Convention hotel is the New Residence Hall on the McGill University campus. Rate is CAD\$124/night including breakfast. Parking is extra.

Wednesday: Opening ceremonies. Guest speakers are Enrico Colantoni (Actor and Spokesperson for Tema Conter Memorial Trust) and Chris Ross (President, Montreal Firefighters IAFF Local 125) followed by tours of Fire Museum and Headquarters.

Thursday: Tour of Apparatus Division. Lunch provided at Training Division, followed by a fire rehab demonstration and apparatus photo shoot.

Friday: Bus excursion to visit fire stations and Dorval Airport. Lunch to be provided at Station 19.

Saturday: Fire apparatus parade with boxed lunches provided; Banquet and closing ceremonies in evening.

2021: 50th anniversary of the Ontario Fire Buff Associates. Event is in preliminary planning stages.

Adjournment: Motion made by MacBride to adjourn meeting. Motion seconded by J. MacDonald. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m.