

Metro-Dade Fire Fighters

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Executive Board Minutes (C-shift)

November 4, 2019

0830

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

President Omar Blanco(present)
1st Vice Pres. Brian Lynch(present)
2nd Vice Pres. Michelle Steele(present)
Secretary Gabe Nemeth(present)
Treasurer Paul Blake(present)

2019
Ralph Fernandez(present)
Lisa Bullard(present)
Christian Chuck(present)
Andre Cruzeta(present)
Dan Cuoco(present)
Nick Digiacoimo(absent)0855
Billy McAllister(present)

2020
Richard Andrews(present)
Bridget Keating(present)
Rocky McAllister(present)
John O'Brien(absent)0940
Lazaro Pereda(present)
Tim Porter(absent)0932
Rick Ramirez(present)

Executive Assistants: Chris Fink,(present) Felipe Lay

Benefits Officer: Claudine Buzzo(present)

Trustees: John Askham, Randy Brown, Jeff Hackman

Meeting called to order at 0847: Pledge of allegiance, moment of silence

Member/Guest: Maria Chin, Wil Fleites, Wil Hall, Xavier Sanchez

Previous Meetings Minutes:

Motion by Keating to approve the previous E-Board meeting minutes. Second by Cuoco, motion passes.

Member/Guest Presentation: none

Correspondence: none

Reports of Officers:

Omar Blanco: President's Report –

- Open Enrollment – great job and it has been completed
- MDA Drive – Thank you to all that participated and to Christian Chuck for a job well done
- New service – R41 out of 45 and Foam 4
- Online store – Veteran shirts being sold and additional merchandise will be added soon
- Chang ULP – next set date December 13th
- Up-coming events – November 22nd ballots counted and November 26 is General Membership with the November Contest

Paul Blake: Treasurer's Report – main report next meeting – Blake presented at the end of the meeting a power point on some of his concerns as the treasurer

Gabe Nemeth: Secretary's Report –

- Database – project more than 50% completed, took longer than expected with getting correct information
- Election – similar ballot issues as elections past, members requesting ballots because some items missing or they did not receive them at all.

Brian Lynch: 1st VP Report – Grievance report and scheduled reps for upcoming grievance steps

Michelle Steele: 2nd VP Report –

- Longevity Settlement – approximately 140 have been turned in with about 50 requiring a second look because of questionable information that we are not completely aware of. Sending out a second communication to remind of November 8th deadline.

Report of Committees:

Health & Safety – Pereda – 11/7 next meeting, having difficulty keeping bunker gear and mold on the agenda until it is resolved. Lamela has been placed back in charge of facilities and the committee has great concerns that we will take steps backwards. Looked at FORTS as an option to outside storage for bunker gear.

(0959)Motion by Lynch to move to Executive session. Second by Cruzeta, motion passes.

(1012) Out of Executive Session meeting back in order.

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Unfinished Business:

Motion by Blake to approve the credit card policy as provided by the Trustees and that the Executive Board reviews the credit card policy at a minimum the first meeting in April. Second by Chuck, motion passes unanimously.

New Business:

Bullard – Lobbyist – Agenda for November 18th meeting with a report from the lobbyist.

Pereda – Jason Davis email event – discussion and explanation of what transpired and how to keep it from happening again.

Good and Welfare:

Chuck – MDA Boot Camp on January 9th and 10th 2020 in Orlando. Please let me know if anyone wants to attend.

Motion to adjourn at 1127 by Keating. Second by Pereda, motion passes.

In Unity,

Gabe Nemeth, Secretary

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