

Metro Dade Fire Fighters IAFF Local 1403

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UNION MEETING MINUTES

February 23, 2016 (C Shift)
8:00 PM
Firefighters Memorial Building
8000 NW 21 ST
Miami, FL. 33122

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

2017

Dan Cuoco
Nick Digiacoimo(present)
Lisa Bullard(present)
Bill McAllister
Andre Cruzeta(present)
Sparky Thomson
Kevin Martin

2016

Paul Wolf(present)
John O'Brien(present)
Bill Lyster
Bridget Keating
Rocky McAllister
Dale Sutton
Richie Martin

Call to Order at 8:00PM

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of Silence observed in honor of President Emeritus George Nalley and Walter Tatum

Guests: Pepe Diaz stopped by to thank the Local for the use of the hall to host the Military Affairs meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Blake gave the report

Correspondence: None

Reports of Officers and Committees:

Omar –

- Tally meeting with legislators thanked Andre Cruzeta, John Obrien, and Wil Fleties on work in tally. Big races coming p and we will need to rally in the future.
- Batt reps will be working on station steward program and hoping to find people at every station griev track and mobile app.
- Nick to help with grievance trac nick back on board.
- Good meeting with the city of pine crest wanting to move out of the district. Thanked all who showed and spoke at the council meeting. Coral Gables president spoke and stated that they stand united and opposes Pinecrest having their own services. We will be keeping an eye on that
- Contract – keeping strategies close to chest and working with the IAFF to get more information contract team will be meeting tomorrow and will be setting a date with the county soon. 001 004 we don't want to tie incentives with property taxes but will working hard to get raises and not accept what was offered.
- Promotions overage of 1 chief 4 captains and 0 lieutenants – Department
- Natosha Gonzales did a great job on behalf of the local with the Jamaican FF Tennyson Mack while recovering from his burn injuries
- We assisted Dorian Torres with funds from MDA and he came by hall to thank all members for helping
- Labor management meeting – rumor on privatizing in fire prevention is not true
- Rhetoric on FB about charging for the retiree's party. The retiree's that are being honored will not be charged including 3 of their guests
- Operations of Local 1403 – Continuing to work on events and addressing repair issues with the building
- Recognized the Super Bowl committee who did a great job

Maria –

- Acknowledged new members from Class 129 who were attending the meeting
- Retiree's Party on April 9, 2016 to honor 41 retiree's from 2015

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Michelle Steele -

- Delray Bch St. Patty's Day parade – war veterans Capt Gabe Nemeth bringing honor flight vets to participate in parade
- Keeping track of sick time so be cognizant of your hours; blue book to avoid discipline, outside employment due Mar 4
- Arbitration on logistics and training no outcome yet, class action on longevity and 3 arbitrations in next month

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- Joaquin Delcueto addressed the members to have the board reconsider the decision on charging anyone for the retiree's party.
- **Motion by Paul Blake that the Local refund event fees to those members that reserve spots and show up to the event, Second by Paul Wolf. Motion to amend by Brian Lynch that for any member attending that we hold the credit card in reserve and process the credit card for \$25 per person for those that do not show, Second by Lisa Bullard. Motion adopted as amended.**
- **Motion by Paul Blake to amend the budget for the St. Patty's Day Parade from \$1,000 to \$5,000, Second by Lisa Bullard. Motion adopted.**
- **Motion by Chris Hides to have members RSVP for the bus to go to the St. Patty's Day Parade, Second by Gio Abril. Motion adopted.**

Good and Welfare:

- Stan Hills spoke about President Emeritus George Nalley – he was a great mentor and did a lot of great things for our Local.
- Virginia Harris, who recently retired after 19 years as executive assistant for our local, will also be honored at the retirement party
- Raffle Tickets:
 - Linda Ortigoza -\$25
 - Paul Blake - \$50
 - Paul Wessling-\$75
 - Chris Hides-\$100
- **Motion to adjourn by Jorge Llerena at 9:31 Second by Lisa Bullard. Motion adopted.**

In Unity,
Maria Chin, Secretary
IAFF Local 1403

Next meeting is March 29, 2016 8:00 PM (B Shift)