

Metro Dade Fire Fighters IAFF Local 1403

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UNION MEETING

March 29, 2016 (B Shift)
8:00 PM
Firefighters Memorial Building
8000 NW 21 ST
Miami, FL. 33122

2017
President Omar Blanco(present)
1st Vice Pres. Brian Lynch
2nd Vice Pres. Michelle Steele(present)
Secretary Maria Chin(present)
Treasurer Paul Blake(present)

2017
Dan Cuoco
Stan Hills
Lisa Bullard(present)
Bill McAllister
Andre Cruzeta(present)
Sparky Thomson
Kevin Martin(present)

2016
Paul Wolf(present)
John O'Brien(present)
Bill Lyster
Bridget Keating
Rocky McAllister(present)
Dale Sutton
Richie Martin

Call to Order at 8:00PM

Sergeant of arms: John Rojas and Ernie Herrera
Pledge of Allegiance and moment of Silence observed

Guests:

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Blake gave the financial report
Correspondence: None

Reports of Officers and Committees:

Michelle Steele 2nd VP:

- Cancer studies done for cancer presumption
- Grievances – only 8 in process right now 2 arbitrations scheduled and awaiting dates to schedule more

Omar Blanco:

- Building has been painted
- Updated our surveillance system
- Contract negotiations update – process taking longer than anticipated because we've started from scratch and this morning we have 2 dates to meet the county – April 22 and May 3. We are prepared and feel successful in the process. Focus is on getting a contract
- Last 2 months we defended our services in Pinecrest
- Laying ground work for future with politicians locally and at state level
- Battalion reps need to visit the stations more often. Working on getting station stewards at every station. Not as successful as anticipated.
- Bids are out and if any issues please contact your batt rep
- We want to be aggressively involved in politics and one of the most important ways is to increase our PAC donations. Vital to our success.
- Face Book – our Metro Dade group is for disseminating information of the local. Unified site is for debate.
- Autism shirts are for sale. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 for Autism Speaks
- IAFF visit by Omar, Michelle and Paul. IAFF has many tools and resources for our use.

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- Jacquie Neetz our Benefits Officer does a great job for our members. Assisted member in getting medication
- Issues of ROC's not following the disciplinary process.
- Kegs and Eggs was a successful event. Good way for having camaraderie and sharing with your brothers and sisters

Maria Chin –

- Unveiled the new Local 1403 app for iPhones and Androids
- Update on hiring process and the CPAT
- Retiree's Party on April 9 – mandatory RSVP
- There are new dispatchers on the floor and currently in class. Keep in mind when engaging on air.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

- **Motion by Ray Williams that the Charity corporation donates \$1,500 for Miami Central Alumni association for laptop computers, second by Paul Blake. Motion adopted.**
- Motion by Henri Tolbert that all airport bid positions must be included in the contract, Second by Fernando Castano.
 - **Motion to table by Orestes Gonzalez, Second by Tony Lima. Motion adopted.**
- **Motion by John Rojas to instruct the negotiating team to amend article 13 to identify minimum staffing in the contract that is not currently identified in the contract: Foam trucks at Miami Executive and Opa Locka - 3 persons, Batt 6 – 2 persons (1 CFO and 1 Incident command technician), QRV - 2 persons and MIA Foam trucks – 2 persons each, Second by Paul Blake. Motion adopted.**

Good and Welfare:

- Maggie Lane's Celebration of Life well attended and thankful for all personnel that were involved in coordinating event: Michelle Steele, Nick Digiacomio, Lourdes Sanchez-Breton, Kevin Martin and Maria Chin.

Raffle Prize winners:

- 509099 – \$25 Juan Danger
- 509092 - \$100 Adam Parks
- 509009 - \$75 Reuben Soto
- 509089 - \$50 Jacquie Neetz

Lost a quorum at 1015 pm.

In Unity,
Maria Chin, Secretary
IAFF Local 1403

Next meeting is April 26, 2016 8:00 PM (C Shift)

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