

Prince Edward Island Firefighter's Association

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Minutes of the Executive Meeting  
May 8, 2008 7:00 p.m.  
Fire School

Members Present:

Dale Harris	Miles Boulter
Bill Gourley	Harley Perry
Rod MacDonald	Art MacKay
Ken Campbell	Jason Peters
Tim Jenkins	Gordon MacFadyen

Jason moved, Dale seconded to accept the minutes of the meeting of April 10, 2008. **Motion carried.**

**Old Business:**

- Regarding the possibility the PEI Mutual Insurance would provide funding in return for displaying their logo on the new van. No additional information received to date.

**Correspondence:**

- Application for recognition as medical first responders received from Alberton.
- Holland College requested the President to attend their advisory committee meeting.
- Certificates for the Ice Rescue were received from HRM instructors.
- Notification received from MD Atlantic indicating that Rod MacDonald was selected as their firefighter of the year.

### **Treasurer:**

- Gordon circulated a statement outlining the bank balance and expenses to be paid.

### **Training:**

- Miles reported that there were 19 students that completed level 17 new students and 2 from last years class.
- A fire extinguisher training session was provided to Police Academy student.
- The latest scheduled confined space training session was cancelled due to low enrollment yet demand continues to be high for industrial confined space. Several session are up coming.
- The school has received a request to provide advanced confined space training. To carry out the training upgrades to the simulator will be required. Miles estimates that approximately \$3,000 will be required to effect the upgrades. Once the upgrades are created we will be able to provide rope rescue training as well.

A motion to approve the funding required to make the upgrades was offered by Jason seconded by Rod. **Motion Carried**

- Park Canada want to send some of their staff to fire school courses. Given the ongoing relationship between the two organizations is mutually beneficial allowing Parks staff to take courses at member prices is reasonable.

A motion to allow Parks Staff to attend PEIFFA training courses at member prices was offered by Jason seconded by Rod. **Motion Carried.**

- Miles reported that T&K donated a set of fire gear.
- Miles reported that he believes that the price of the field training needs to increase. Currently our cost is 752.80 per student while NS charges 1500. The price needs to increase to cover the costs of the program which continue to increase. It was determined that Gordon and Miles will meet prior to the start of the next level one session to review the costs and bring back recommendations for changes to the price charged.

### **Fire Marshal's Office:**

- Dave Rossiter continues to meet with Fire Departments and provide a education briefing. The sessions are being well received.
- Ken reported that the division currently does not have a full time Director. The current Director is on a secondment to the Department of Education. Until the position is backfilled Albert MacDonald has assumed the responsibilities on a part time basis.
- The speech from the throne indicated that amendments were made to the infrastructure that will allow FD's to receive funding from the program. It may be appropriate for the association to consider whether there is a role for us in the process

### **New Business**

- An application has been received from Wellington to host the AGM. A motion to accept their application was offered by Rod seconded by Don. Motion carried.
- CBC has contacted the school about doing a story. Details are still being worked out.

### **Medical First Responder/911:**

- The group called together to discuss changes to the 911 system held a meeting earlier in the week. It had been more than a year since the last meeting of the group. Little new information provided mostly a restating of previous positions. It is the intention to bring a position paper to Cabinet in July to receive direction as to where the province want so take the system.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m. Next meeting June 12