

SD Firefighters Association Board Meeting Minutes
Teleconference at 7:00 CDT/6:00 PM MDT
Saturday, May 2, 2020

President Kludt called the meeting to order Saturday, May 2 at 7:06 CDT/6:06 PM MDT via teleconference

SDFA Board members present Charlie Kludt, Ron Hines, Dennis Gorton, Rick Gustad, Jack Diez, Mark Stoks, Adam Kuenkel, Samara Erickson, Dave Jorgenson.

Member absent: Chad Baumgarten

Auxiliary Members present Jenifer Laurvick

Guests present: Rick Cronin, Director-elect.

The general discussion item for this meeting was does the Board have a Membership meeting and limited classes September 26 and/or 27, 2020 prior to the SD Fallen FireFighters Memorial Service.

1. Reschedule membership meeting and elections. General discussion about possibly have the membership meeting during the SD Fallen Firefighters Memorial late September. Ideas included:
 - a. Keynote speakers on specific topics
 - b. Friday or Saturday night social
 - c. 4- or 8-hour classes,
 - d. Membership meeting
 - e. Dear Old Timers
 - f. Fort Pierre has their annual dance on Saturday night, could be the social
 - g. Fall membership meeting proposal: There was much discussion of having multiple speakers/presenters and/or classes. The general consensus was to have Steve Hirsch of NVFC for a presentation and contact Rob Franklin to present his L.A.C.K. class one time. There would be 3-4 hours total on Saturday. A draft schedule was presented by President Kludt and is included.
 - i. Non formal social get together on Friday evening.
 - ii. Membership meeting 1st session first thing Saturday AM
 - iii. Keynote speaker and/or 2-3-hour class sessions on various topics.
 - iv. Early evening social get together Friday late PM.
 - v. Lunch on Saturday.
 - vi. Then those attending could attend the Fort Pierre fireman's dance.
 - vii. Sunday AM potential for buffet breakfast, then 2nd session of membership meeting.
 - viii. Finish meeting around 11 AM then have time for Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service Sunday PM.
 - ix. Either low cost or no cost Saturday lunch and/or Sunday buffet. Would need some registration to know how many meals to plan for.
 - x. Board members felt approximately 50 attendees for Friday evening social, with 100-125 for Saturday/Sunday.

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After general discussion, the Board agreed to the basic proposal from President Kludt as included in these minutes. The following items will need to be addressed and those assigned to handle each.

Samara,

Action Required: contact Ramkota;
One (1) meeting room for three (3) days, Friday thru Sunday noon,
Friday = SDFA board meetings;
Saturday = board room & election area.
Sunday = morning board room, done by noon.
Saturday = Amphitheatre for sessions,
Sunday = Amphitheatre; done by noon.

Ron,

Action Required: When Steve & Rob get their flight schedules, arrange for rides for them.

Board Members,

Action Required: If you know of someone/company that would like to sponsor meals, breaks, whatever contact them.
Action Required: when writing monthly articles promote the convention in September.

Presenters/Instructors,

Action Required: Gorton will contact Rob Franklin for his availability.
Additional info: Gorton contacted Franklin via email on Monday and Rob Franklin accepted and said he would be available to come.
Action Required: Kludt will contact Steve Hersch
Additional info: Kludt said Hersch committed to attending.
Action Required: Gorton will get rooms for Hirsch & Franklin at the Ramkota.
Action Required: Gorton will contact Hirsch and Franklin to make remarks at Sunday memorial service.

Registration: It was determined that the following will apply for registration.

Action Required: No registration fee for those departments who are 100% Members and those who are Department Only. If not a member \$10 per person.

Rick Gustad,

Action Required: Develop on-line registration for Saturday dinner/lunch and Sunday breakfast.
Action Required: Develop on-line registration for those attending membership meeting, presentations, and/or memorial service.

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Dear Old Timers:

Action Required: Dawn Kludt will contact Dear Old Timers and that they will need to register to get accurate count for food.

Action Required: DOT's will be Saturday evening.

President Kludt proposed the following schedule if the SDFA held a fall meeting. There was discussion on the timelines and suggestions to adjust some of the starting times. However, the overall proposal was acceptable.

General Membership Meeting 2020 and Convention Draft Agenda
25-27 September, Pierre, SD

Friday 25 September

8:30 am – 4:00 pm SDFA Board meetings (location to be determined)

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Registration - Ramkota

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Sponsored Social Time – Ramkota

Saturday 26 September

7:00 am – 8:00 am Breakfast on your own

8:00 am – 9:00 am Registration

No Charge registration for 100% Department Membership and Department Only
Non-+members - \$10/person

9:00 am -10:30 am General Membership Meeting 1st session – Amphitheatre
Nomination Committee
Financial Reports
Directors Reports
Legislative Report

10:30 am -10:45 am Break

10:45 am -12:00 **Steve Hirsch, Chairman, National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) – Amphitheatre**

12:00 pm -1:00 pm Sponsored Dinner/Lunch – Ramkota
(pre-registration required)

12:00 pm Election voting opens – Ramkota

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm **L.A.C.K. – Rob Franklin – Amphitheatre**

2:30 pm – 2:45 pm Break

2:45 pm – 4:30 pm **L.A.C.K. – Rob Franklin – Amphitheatre (cont.)**

4:30 pm Election voting closes

5:00 pm Memorial service – Amphitheatre

6:00 pm - ? Dear Old Timers Social (? at Red Rosa)

9:00 pm - ?? Fort Pierre Volunteer Fire Department Dance, Ft Pierre

Sunday 27 September

8:00 am – 9:00 am Sponsored Continental Breakfast – Ramkota Room A

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9:00 am – 10:00 am **SD-LAST “What can we do to help?”** - Amphitheatre
10:15 am – 11:30 am General Membership Meeting 2nd Session – Amphitheatre
 Election results announced
 Special presentations
 General announcements
12:00 pm - Lunch on your own
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm South Dakota Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service
 Capitol Lake/Rotunda

Menus

Friday Social: (50 people)

 Cocktail sandwiches (6) = \$300

 Meatballs (4) = \$200

 Standard Call Bar min \$250

Saturday:

 Breakfast - on your own

 Morning break – Doughnut shop (6)

 Dinner/Lunch – Soup & Sandwich (11) courtesy SDFA

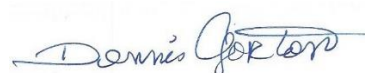
 Afternoon break – Cookie Jar (7) courtesy of SDFA

Sunday:

 Brunch – continental breakfast, rolls, fruit, courtesy of SDFA

No further discussion, motion by Diez to adjourn, seconded by Stoks. Carried.

Respectfully submitted



Dennis Gorton, Sec.