# STATE FIREMEN'S AND FIRE MARSHALS' ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

#### December 10, 2020

#### **Executive Board Zoom Meeting**

Meeting called to order at: 6:35 p.m.

**by President:** Tim Smith

### **Invocation given by:**

Roll Call of Board Members Present: Brent Allen

## **Board Members present on site:**

President Tim Smith
1st Vice President Richard Van Winkle
2nd Vice President Chuck Richardson
3rd Vice President Donny Boggs
4th Vice President Curtis Brown
Immediate Past Mike Richardson
Secretary Brent Allen
Assistant Secretary
Chaplain Ben Kennedy

**Non-Voting Board Members Present:** 

**Board Members Not Present:** 

Non - Voting Board Members Not Present:

Office Staff Present:

**Approval of Minutes from Secretary Allen:** No approval of meeting minutes at this date.

**Guest present:** Harvie Cheshire, East Texas, Joel Sumrall, Gulf Coast, Joe Koch, Panhandle,

Billy Tidwell- Panhandle

**Old Business:** President Smith

Legislative:

No dinner at the Capitol Grounds during Legislative Session

Small ceremony to place names on the memorial with just one news camera, more than likely.

Also, most TEEX employees are out for extended deployment till June as they are helping with disturbing medical supplies.

SFFMA: President Smith and Executive Director Rutland

We need to encourage members to buy sales items from the SFFMA Store.

Question Mark.com will be our testing program for our association. We will purchase 15 laptops to use for testing.

Our first testing center will be in Beaumont.

Firefighting Testing will be limited right now.

We will be trying to get the SFFMA office as testing center.

Annual Membership: Encourage departments to get their dues in, also our dues grant was at \$40,000 dollars and now is approved for \$50,000 dollars.

The Constitution and By-Laws amendments were presented in Pre-Convention in Lubbock in 2019, it will be on the ballot in McAllen in 2021.

2021 Conference Site Visit will consist of President Tim Smith, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Richard Van Winkle and Executive Director Tim Rutland.

At this time the Rio Grande Valley is still hot place for COVID-19, and things can change at any time, should we be looking for an alternant site?

Also, we need to encourage committees to meet by ZOOM meetings.

The SFFMA Board will meet Jan 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. and Jan 30 Saturday at 9:00 a.m. in the Austin Office. Be Flexible! It will be challenging to get it done!

New Business: None

**Audience Comments:** None

### **Board Comments:** None

The next scheduled meeting is 12/15/2020

There being no more agenda items

A motion to adjourn was by 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President Donny Boggs seconded by 1st Vice President Richard Van Winkle

the motion passed with 5 voting for the motion and 0 against and 0 abstaining.

President Richardson ended the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by, Brent Allen SFFMA Secretary 12/10/2019