

NKFFA Local 1651
11/8/2023 Meeting Minutes

Present Executive Board Members:

- Steve St. Pierre, Christian Tiexiera, Carl Gardiner, Jason Morgan

A.Call to Order: 18:01

B.Motion of Silence

C. Treasurer's Report

D.RISAFF Report: Steve St. Pierre

- Convention 1/18/2023- RISAFF is looking for By-Law Changes to have virtual meetings and move monthly meetings to quarterly meetings. Each District in the State would host the RISAFF meeting (Locals in that district would split the cost)
- Central Coventry signed 2 year contract with 3% raises, went back to 4 shifts, lost second rescue

E.Report of Committees

- Health and Safety: Jay Morgan- Proclamation event went well but there was not a big turn out compared to past events. BFIT Challenge- 100% of fundraised money goes back to our Local. RISAFF Health and Safety Conference is 12/4-12/6/2023. It costs \$150 per person. Motion by Chris Beattie to pay the cost for 4 people to attend, seconded by Mark Cardarelli, all in favor, motion carries. Email Steve St. Pierre If you are interested in attending.
- Honor Guard: Brian Bonneau- 11/11/2023 Veteran's Day Parade. Meet in Wilson Park for 9:00am. If you do not have a Class A, attend in NKFD Apparel.
- MDA: Joe Barber- nothing to report
- PAC: Steve St. Pierre- This past Saturday, 5 members attended a literature drop for Speaker Shekarchi. Thank you!
- Scholarship: Nothing to report
- Sunshine: Nothing to report
- Union Store: Jay Morgan- The store has been restocked

F. Old Business

- Update to Public Safety Bond Question- Lessard- Did not pass (62%-38%). 22 members signed up and helped with literature drops and the poles. Thank you for stepping up. It was a good investment. Steve St. Pierre- we have power in numbers. When the body votes and approves something, we must all step up.
- By Law Changes- Christian Tiexiera- The IAFF had mandatory changes and recommended changes to our By-Laws that were submitted in March of 2023. These changes were laid out in the email sent to the membership on 10/6/2023. A motion was made to accept all the IAFF's mandatory changes and recommended changes by Tim Curry, motion seconded by Alan Weaver, all in favor, motion carries

G.New Business

- 2024 Meeting schedule will be monthly, bi-monthly, or quarterly. Last year we voted to move meetings to bi-monthly and agreed to revisit this year. Motion made by Matt Colna to stay on bi-monthly meeting, seconded by Chris Beattie, all in favor, motion carries
- Retirement Parties- The Department has done nothing for retirements in recent years. Myron Wood had a great idea. E-Board would like to establish an annual Union

sponsored retirement party for our members. It would be free to the retiree and their families. Motion made by Chris Beattie to have a committee to look into establishing an annual retirement party starting 10/24. Seconded by Tim Curry, all in favor, motion carries. Committee is chaired by Chris Beattie, and includes Brian Bonneau, Pete Reily, Bob Olivier, Brandon Andrews, Pat Main

- Myron Wood Retirement Party on 11/12/2023 hosted by his wife. All are invited
- Shift Representatives- Steve St. Pierre- There will be an E-Board shift rep for each shift. If a member has an issue or question, please contact your shift rep. A Platoon- Andrew Kent, B Platoon- Jason Morgan, C Platoon- Craig Insana, D Platoon- Steve St. Pierre
- Coffee Fund- Robert Wilson will be looking into Mills Coffee Co in Providence to supply our station coffee. Chris Beattie- motion to table till January, seconded by Pete Riley, all in favor, motion carries.
- June 1, 2024 Family Day will be at East Greenwich's Fireman's Club. All are encouraged to attend
- Annual Kids Christmas Party- 12/9/2023- Will be Tim Curry's last year planning the event. Scott Lynch will take over

H. Motion to Adjourn: 18:51