Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs
Board of Directors Meeting
September 12, 2018
9:30AM
Conference Call Only
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1. Call to Order/Roll Call – President Glotzbach called today’s meeting to order at 9:34AM

   Brian Ball, Adam Carroll, Mark Cleveland, Chris Coughlin, Dave Glotzbach, Stephanie Johnson, Steve McKellar, Josh Mosher, Mike O’Brien, Pat Parker, Andy Pless, Doug Pratt, Jeff Roberts, Linda Stone, Alan Styles (?), Bob Walker

2. Guest Comments – N/A

3. Approval of Minutes Aug 8, 2018 conference call – unanimous approval.

4. Communications Sent/Received

   a. Questions from Capitol News Student reporter – PFOS/PFOAS

5. Approval of Financial Report – Steve McKellar reported the following:

   a. Checking account balance as of August 31, 2018: $7,373.20

   b. PAC account as of August 31, 2018 - $8,020.50

   c. Membership invoices being sent out.

   Financial report accepted and filed.

6. Update on Legislative Activities –

   a. Lobbyist / KRKM Update – Stephanie sent the Legislative update sent out electronically. Bob Walker asked about HB 5315 (Sales Tax Distribution / Revenue Sharing trust fund). Discussion followed on the history of this bill. Stephanie Johnson provided details.

   PFAS - Mike O’Brien asked about the MAFC drafting a statement re: PFAS. Much discussion followed. It was agreed that we should move forward with drafting an informational document for the membership. Discussion followed on the Yaroch Bill (mandating Foam Training).

   b. Legislative Committee – Coughlin provided more info on HB 6188. Much more discussion followed on this Yaroch bill. Creating a blanket mandate across the state is not the best way to handle.

   Coalition report: Mosher reported that they are looking at March 5, 2019 to handout helmets and meet legislators. Date still to be confirmed. SFM provided a marijuana update.
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Fireworks – Mosher reported. Stephanie reported that the Lantern is “out”. Sprinkler (eliminating grandfathering) is “in”). Enacting burn bans / utilizing DNR communications.

Calendar Review – Stephanie provided the schedule for legislators & important election-related dates. Discussion followed on opportunities.

Fire Danger Map – Brian Ball provided details on how that map is updated. Discussion followed.

c. Coalition - OPEB / Media Participation - Stephanie explained that prior to 9/11 event last week, it was suggested that based on OPEB/potential for lame duck that every organization pay approx $700 towards a fund which would be use towards media work. Lengthy discussion followed on our participation in this media strategy, focusing on pros and cons.

Motion for the MAFC to pay $700 to participate with the other organizations on the media campaign for potential media issues. Motion made by Mike O’Brien. Supported by Steve McKellar. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously.

d. PAC – Glotzbach requested that our PAC committee provide input on anticipated endorsement requests. Much discussion followed on best procedure. Stephanie recommended that decisions be made by Oct. 1st. After much discussion, it was agreed that we shall support the decisions by this legislative committee. Pat Parker will work with the committee and Stephanie Johnson to finalize.

7. Regions

a. Northern – Doug Pratt reported:

1. Sept 18th – Dr. David Griffin / Charleston 9 presentation has 250 registered attendees.

2. Oct 25th – Front Loading Safety Knowledge held in conjunction with RAFT & Mich Fire Service Instructors at Park Place Hotel in Traverse City.

b. Western – Bob Walker reported on the following:

1. Grand Rapids Walk of Remembrance

2. Walker attended the 9/11 memorial service

3. CO Training class – Sept 21st featuring Bill Hopson & Edmund Enright

4. Oct 24th – Membership meeting featuring Barb Roethler
c. SE – Andy Pless reported:

1. Oct 11th – NFPA 3000 presentation featuring Greg Cade

2. Nov 8th – Ford Piquette plant in Detroit

3. Axemen Motorcycle Group is hosting a sporting clay shoot - charity event – Jeff Roberts mentioned this Sept 30th looking for 4-men teams, $75pp. If you need more details, contact Jeff Roberts.

d. UP – No report

8. Section Reports:

a. EMS – No report.

b. Fire & Life Safety – Mosher reported on the following:

1. Public Assembly proposal document that was sent to you electronically. Please review and provide feedback ASAP. He explained the Opt In / Out, and fees affiliated. Stephanie asked question regarding anonymous sponsorship. Much discussion followed. More to come.

2. Mich Residential Code – being opened back up (Chapters 1 & 2, admin & enforcement sections). We should draft a sample resolution / template to our members. More to come. Long discussion followed on certified fire inspector definition.

c. MABAS – Brian Ball reported on the following

1. MABAS will be approving a couple more division today, during the exec board conference call.

2. Provided update on recent meeting with the State EMS Division, and utilizing MABAS agreements for mutual aid. MABAS will review our documents annually.

3. Contacts List – imperative that each division review their contact information within their division.
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4. Possible deployment of Task Force 1 to North Carolina. MI-MABAS has approved the MOU as written by the State Police. We are awaiting the actual request from North Carolina.

d. Training – Mark Cleveland reported on the plan for re-allocation of funds, and delivery process. He combined his report with Training Council update as Tackett was unable to join today’s call.

9. Committees / Task Force / Boards

   a. Yellow Rose Campaign – No report from Flynn, though Glotzbach confirmed that they are moving forward with a long-term plan. More to come.

   b. EMSCC – Pratt reported that they meet again on Sept 21st. More to report next month.

   c. Training Council – Styles reported that the curriculum committee will bring suggestions to the council soon, as there are several items to discuss (i.e. using two sources for FF 1 & 2 curriculum). They continue to work on work rules.

   d. Curriculum Committee – Glotzbach reported that these comments were sent electronically to everyone, along with today’s agenda.

   e. Joint Council – Glotzbach reported the next meeting has been rescheduled for Sept 24th. Chief Mike Kennedy will attend these meetings on behalf of MAFC.

   f. Diversity Committee – Jeff Roberts reported that Chief Johnny Menifee is in the process of forming this committee and finding representatives.

   g. State InterOp – Mike O’Brien confirmed that Adam Carroll is the rep for this committee, and attends quarterly meetings/calls for this.

   h. Safe Delivery - Glotzbach provided an update. He summarized the recent legislation regarding installation of newborn drop boxes at fire stations, as well as definition of newborn age. Chief Ryan Rank will represent us on this committee in the future.

   i. 9-1-1 Committee (Mark Barnes) – No report.

   j. 9-1-1 Training Committee (Dave Murray)

   j. First Net (DenBleyker/Carroll) – Walker reported that he has a meeting setup next week with the local rep.
10. Executive Director – Linda stated that membership invoices will be sent out soon.


12. Old Business
   a. Executive Director’s Contract – Mike O’Brien is finalizing and will get with Linda to complete.

13. New business – N/A

14. Round Table / Good of the Order
   a. Michigan State Firemen’s Association Memorial – Sept 15th 9AM. Need an MAFC rep, and a wreath to place at the event – If you are attending, please let Glotzbach know ASAP.

Adjournment – 11:30AM