



OKLAHOMA FIRE SERVICE CHAPLAINS, INC.

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Friday, April 25, 2013

OSFA – OKC, OK

PRESENT: Chuck McDade, Gary Dill, Tom House, Tim Dorsch, Rusty Stowe, Paul Ankenman, Hal Penner, Kim Hayes (30 minutes late)

BUSINESS: *(note: new business in blue)*

1 – Current Financial Situation

- * We need to pay dues for 2013: \$35 (if you need a P.O. please contact Gary Dill)

2 – CISM

- * ICISF
 - o Nothing going on nationally concerning us
 - o We are looking at doing a refresher in conjunction with our Chaplaincy Essentials class

3 – Chaplain Training (Regional)

- * Fort Worth, TX (at Seminary conference center) - April 19-20, 2013
 - o Smaller conference than previous year
 - o BIBLICAL COUNSELING but only first half and second half not yet developed
- * Louisiana will be doing some trainings
 - o Two or three around the state
 - o More localized not regional
- * We need to consider putting together a chaplain training
 - o Date: February 21, 22 (Fri / Sat)
 - o Several from eastern half of state but now also have some from western half
 - o John Roberts will provide a facility but we need to provide a teacher
 - o Teddy and Chuck are licensed to teach but neither can health wise right now
 - o Put it together in OKC area and easier/cheaper to get instructor around here
 - o Keith Smith – possible instructor
 - o Essentials Class (was called Basic) only
 - o Basic Course: ICISM (many of us need a refresher) – Greg Giltner to teach
 - o Need time to advertise
 - o Location: (1) OKC fire training center (2) Edmond training center (3) local church
 - o Advanced Chaplaincy course
 - Cameron Brown from Fort Worth to do her class on dealing with fire fighter families
 - Patrick McKenny – ethics in fire chaplaincy
 - o Chuck will talk with Keith and Cameron / Rusty will talk with Greg

4 – National Convention

(usually starts third weekend in October)

- * 2013 – Puget Sound (Tacoma / Seattle WA area) – Oct 26-31
 - o Get info from federation website
- * 2014 – Baltimore, MD

5 – OTHER

- * MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT FOR FIREFIGHTERS & SPOUSES
 - o The plan is to set a date for February 15-17, 2013

- This is on hold because we need more details and have had many issues to distract us from putting it together
- ★ PAYPAL ACCOUNT
 - Danny has a contact person for Gary to get with who has done this before
- ★ NEW CHAPLAINS
 - Doug Lewis – Clinton Ok (Hal & Danny working with)
 - Tom House – Enid, Ok (Tim D working with)
 - John Roberts – (Chuck working with)
 - ? husband and pastor of one of Chuck's EMT (Chuck)
 - Jim Ogle – Shawnee, Ok (Chuck)
- ★ CHAPLAIN RETREAT:
 - Fishing weekend postponed due to several having medical issues
- ★ BROCHURE
 - We do not want to put pictures in there but info
 - We need to work on our presence at state conferences (like the annual Chief's conf)
 - To get our name out and departments or chiefs thinking about putting together a chaplaincy for themselves and let us work beside them in the process
 - Chuck had a copy of the Texas Corp of Chaplains brochure – Hal will scan and email out
 - We need to get info together and to Danny to print this
- ★ WEST, TEXAS
 - Discussion of the incident there and prayer for them, families and firefighters as well as multiple funerals

6 – Next OSFA Article:

- ★ penelopes@osfa.info (remember it is due by the first of the month prior to the one you are assigned – IE: for May it needs to be in by April 1st, etc.)
 - Jun/Jul – Jacob Toews (by May 1)
 - Aug – Tim Dorsch
 - Sept – Chuck McDade
 - Oct – Paul Ankenman
 - Nov – Pete Petree
 - Dec/Jan (2014) – Gary Doty
 - Feb – Teddy Wilson
 - Mar – Barry Garrett or Rusty Stowe

7 – Next Meeting (s):

8 – List of Jobs To Be Done: