



## OKLAHOMA FIRE SERVICE CHAPLAINS, INC.

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**Friday, November 30, 2012**

OSFA – OKC, OK

**PRESENT:** Chuck McDade, Teddy Wilson, Danny Ringer, Guy Shafer, Hal Penner, Rusty Stowe (retired firefighters assoc), Gary Dill

### **BUSINESS:**

#### **1 – Current Financial Situation**

- \* Balance:

#### **2 – CISM**

- \* ICISF
  - o They are having a national conference in February 19-24, 2013
  - o Teddy is doing separate trainings for shifts: red/blue/green
    - Red: Dec 11, 13
    - Blue: Dec 12, 14
    - Green: Dec 17, 19
    - Or you could do back-to-back and do Dec 11 & 12
  - o \$20 per person (check to Greg Giltner, or cash, and bring with you)
  - o At OKC training academy on north Portland

#### **3 – Chaplain Training (Regional)**

- \* Fort Worth, TX (at Seminary conference center) - April 19-20, 2013
- \* Albuquerque NM, May 22-25, 2013
- \* Louisiana will be doing some trainings, but they will be local and not regional
- \* Chuck: are we going to do a chaplain conference in OKC in spring 2013?
  - o We have chaplains in OK but are not connecting with them
  - o What can we do to get them networked with us
  - o Tie a beginning chap class to the state fire school (FST: Fire School Training)
  - o We need to get our brochure finalized and make copies and use that to get the word out to departments around our state

#### **4 – National Convention**

*(usually starts third weekend in October)*

- \* 2012 – Eureka, MO (St Louis area) – October 19-25
  - o Report from those who went was a good conference (Chuck and Teddy)
  - o Federation board looking to future events and planning
- \* 2013 – Puget Sound (Tacoma / Seattle WA area) – Oct 26-31
- \* 2014 – Baltimore, MD

#### **5 – OTHER**

- \* CHAPLAIN'S APPAREL
  - o Danny got it taken care of and had the shirts at the meeting
  - o The organization paid for them and we need to each pay to Gary – shirts were \$35 each
- \* MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT FOR FIREFIGHTERS & SPOUSES
  - o The plan is to set a date for February 15-17, 2013

- We can't afford to put this together right now
- Teddy is looking into other options from the Postal Training Center in Norman

★ PAYPAL ACCOUNT

- Danny has a contact person for Gary to get with who has done this before

★ NEW CHAPLAINS

- Make available for having meetings online so those who can't make it to the meetings because of cost or time, they can log on and participate in meeting
- Minimum: use multi-person Skype

★ CHAPLAIN RETREAT:

- Maybe we should consider getting together for a Friday and Saturday to spend some time together for fellowship
- Possibly just us (no spouses) to go fishing with guides around Texoma / Eufala
- Possibly April 25-26, or May 3-4, 2013
- Teddy will discuss with some of his firefighters for fishing tours

★ OKLAHOMA FIRE SERVICE HALL OF FAME

- Nothing new

★ OKLAHOMA FIRE CHIEFS WINTER WORKSHOP

- Having a prayer breakfast that will be focused on the role of fire chaplains in fire service
- We need to have a presence at the prayer breakfast so we can find out who else has a chaplain to get them networked with us
- Friday January 25 at Stillwater Ok, 1<sup>st</sup> Methodist Church (400 West 7<sup>th</sup> Ave) 7am
- We need our brochures ready by this point to take and hand out as well as put up our display table

★ OKLAHOMA FIRE SERVICE CHAPLAINS: BROCHURE

- Everyone needs to get a picture of themselves to Danny for him to use in this, some kind of an action photo and email them to Danny in a jpeg
- When Danny gets completed, we will circulate and approve via email

★ ORGANIZATIONAL DUES

- Come January everyone needs to get dues paid to the organization, \$35

**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 1<sup>st</sup>, etc.)

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| ○ Feb – Hal Penner (by Jan 1) | ○ Oct – Paul Ankenman               |
| ○ Mar – Danny Ringer          | ○ Nov – Pete Petree                 |
| ○ Apr – Guy Shafer            | ○ Dec/Jan (2014) – Gary Doty        |
| ○ May – Gary Dills            | ○ Feb – Teddy Wilson                |
| ○ Jun/Jul – Jacob Toews       | ○ Mar – Barry Garrett / Rusty Stowe |
| ○ Aug – Tim Dorsch            |                                     |
| ○ Sept – Chuck McDade         |                                     |

**7 – Next Meeting (s):**

- ★ Friday, January 25 at 1<sup>st</sup> Methodist in Stillwater after the Chief's prayer breakfast