



MINUTES (DRAFT)
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ELECTED FIRE OFFICIALS
BOARD MEETING

September 17, 2018, 10:15am – 12:02pm
Sept.18, 3:15 - 3:50pm
Clark County Fire Department Training Center
4425 W Tropicana Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada

- 1. President McCullough called the meeting to order at 10:15am**
- 2. Introduction of Board Members and Guests.**
Attendees: Dean Bloemke, Bill Eckroth, Gerry Gustafson, Mark Kreutzer, Mike Lyons, Candy McCullough, Monte Olsen, Barry Orth, LJ Silverman
- 3. Approval of July 30, 2018 Board Meeting minutes. M/S/A**
- 4. Membership / Guest Comments:**
Action Item & Discussion - How can we include elected as well as appointed officials in NAEFO? Can we include ambulance and other emergency services administrators? How can we make it clear that the NAEFO name includes other services or do we need to change the name?
- 5. President's Report and new business:**
 - a. We reviewed proposed Bylaw changes about Proxy voting to prepare to vote at tomorrow's meeting.
 - b. Candy and Mark talked briefly about their experience at the CFSI Annual Symposium and dinner. In order to have a seat on the CFSI caucus we need to have members from 6 to 12 more states to join NAEFO. Can something be done through regional meetings to strengthen our influence? We need something to make people want to join and also participate in NAEFO activities.
 - c. We'd like to appoint Monte Olsen as our new Executive Director. At this point he will be a volunteer and will ask for occasional expense reimbursements. He travels for other work and can combine the different activities. He will need business cards, brochures and the trifold for tabling. The goal is for Monte to be the interim E.D. until we can afford to hire one. In order to do this we need to actively grow our membership. The Board will be responsible for directing and approving E.D. activity. Motion to appoint Monte Olsen as our volunteer E.D. passed and will be voted upon at Tuesday's membership meeting.
 - d. We need to ask our membership via Mailchimp for suggestions to inspire people and increase membership.
 - e. Mark suggested that we actively focus on the conference and education.

6. Other Business:

a. Committee Chairs for 2019:

Legislative: Barry Orth

We will put him in contact with Rick Johnson, a retired commissioner who recently contacted NAEFO and has experience working with legislators in Olympia, WA.

Communication: Bill Eckroth

Sponsorships: Candy McCullough

Education: Gerry Gustafson

b. Look for former members in bookkeeping & email lists to increase membership .

c. Membership fee changes to be discussed at Sept 18 membership meeting. \$45 was one suggestion.

7. **Next Board Meeting:** Saturday, Dec 15, 2018, WFOA Office, Olympia WA. All are welcome to attend and can also participate by phone.

8. **Board meeting recess until Tuesday, September 18th, 2:15PM**

9. **Meeting adjourned 12:02pm**

Board meeting reconvened Sept 18th 3:15pm

Officers elected in the Membership meeting will serve for the 2019 calendar year:

President: Candy McCullough

Vice-President: Bill Eckroth

Secretary/Treasurer: Barry Orth

All unanimously approved.

Discussion of the following to be continued at the December 8, Board meeting:

Possibility of changing NAEFO name to clearly include other services.

Change dues to one amount per member, perhaps \$50. Retired member fee is 50% of that amount.

Offer scholarships for conference fees to some new members.

2019 conference dates: Sept 16 – 17

Meeting adjourned 3:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Ernst

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