

**Missouri Chapter  
International Association Arson Investigators  
Board Meeting  
Lake Ozark, MO  
January 16, 2010**

**Present:**

**Jim Kuticka  
Tim Cudd  
Steve Russell  
Bruce Vanderhoof  
Chris Thiemann  
Tim Medlin  
Larry Doty  
Jim Goebel  
Jeff Delapp  
Leo Meyer  
Past President Nichols**

**Absent:**

**Dale Straatmann  
Dave Gyger  
Brian Leuthauser**

**President Kuticka called the meeting to order**

**President Kuticka Mr. Russell will be filling in for Mr. Gyger as secretary for the next few meeting due to training conflicts with Mr. Gyger all understood and the meeting continued. President Kuticka brought up discussion on the International rebated program, it was discussed this year that as the years past we will donate all rebates to the International off continent members to assist in there attending meetings. Mr. Vanderhoof made the motion with Mr. Russell seconding all voted yes.**

**Vice Presidents Report; None at this time**

**Secretaries Report: Mr. Nichols made the motion to waive the rereading of last meetings minutes, Mr. Vanderhoof seconded all voted yes.**

**Treasurer's Report –Straatmann**

**Mr. Straatmann was not present however a report was submitted to read as follows;**

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| <b>Money Market as of December 31, 2009.</b>    | <b>\$5028.88</b>   |
| <b>Checking account as of December 31, 2009</b> | <b>\$18,306.33</b> |
| <b>Totaling</b>                                 | <b>\$23,335.21</b> |

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| <b>2009 Conference expenses</b> | <b>\$15,853.85</b> |
| <b>2009 Conference deposits</b> | <b>\$12,408.50</b> |
| <b>2009 Conference Loss</b>     | <b>\$3445.35</b>   |

**Discussion was brought up from past business pertaining to the increasing the seminars cost per attendee. Discussion was held with comparisons with other seminars along with our past seminars cost after several minutes of discussion a motion from Mr. Delapp to increase 2010 seminars cost by \$20.00 for members (\$130.00) and increase non-members to \$150.00 Mr. Meyer seconded with all voting yes**

#### **Education Committee – Medlin**

**Discussion was held on the fact that this year's seminar is scheduled is nearly set with several very top notch classes set, which include Fireplace Fires, Commercial Kitchen Fires, Photography class and possibly evidence collection. A further detailed class schedule will be posted as the dates are set and the instructors are finalized. Several minutes of discussion was held pertaining to better attendance for the classes and it was determined that if the Chapter offers better quality classes the attendance should handle itself. A general contention was that the Chapter should try and offer the highest quality of classes as money would allow and strive to have at least one key class each seminar. No further discussion was held.**

#### **POST- Mr. Vanderhoof**

**Discussion was held that POST signs in sheets and documentation was within standards for state requirements and that the Chapter is working within POST guidelines.**

#### **Legislative- Leuthauser, Meyer**

**Discussion was help that the Governor has been reducing the number of committees (27) and directive boards and that the Fire Investigator board may be combined with the Private Investigators board further information will follow later with possibly of board intervention by the Chapter.**

#### **Membership- Huffmon**

**By way of E-Mail Mr. Huffmon reported we now have current 385 members with 9 life members. 134 Chapter members are also members of the International.**

#### **Awards-Russell**

**Nothing has been submitted as of yet; however it's still early.**

#### **CFI-Nichols**

**Reported that very few test are being given at this time through out the International.**

#### **Attendance Prizes Promotional Items- Thiemann**

**Reported that several items are being looked at and he will have a more details report for next meeting.**

#### **Web-Site- Thiemann**

**Very few changes have been made due to the time of year; all posting pertaining to the seminar will be made available when all details are worked out.**

**Historical, Hospitality, By-Laws, Fire Marshals Office, Ethical, Registration, Certificates, Courtroom Testimony or Advertising.**

**Old Business-**

**Vice President Cudd discussed that he and Mr., Gyger were working on a combined E-Mail list of all members for the Chapter so that all mailing and registration would be easier to access.**

**Vice President Cudd reported the issue of the state registration has been taken care of and the paperwork has been filed to retaining the tax-exempt status. President Kuticka stated that he would follow up with this paperwork.**

**Vice President Cudd requested the template for the Chapters brochure be sent to him from President Kuticka, an agreement was made for the transfer.**

**Mr. Nichols brought up the discussion to send the President and Vice President to the International's seminar requesting a sum of \$2, 000.00 for the President and \$1,500.00 for the Vice President. Mr. Vanderhoof made the motion for \$2,000.00 each, Mr. Doty seconded with all voting yes.**

**With all business discussed the next board meeting was set for April 24, 2010 at 10:00 am Mr. Doty made the motion to adjourn and Mr. Vanderhoof seconded with all in yes.**