

EDIAFC Conference Call May 15, 7:00 P.M.

Present: Lowden, Pienkowski, Cohan, Askenstedt, Stahl, Watson, Chiaramonte, Tettermer

Absent: Walton, Gouty, Seavey, Warrick

EDIAFC Conference:

The Secretary reported all of the sponsorships for the conference have confirmed. They are;

- NJSFCA will fund the Board Breakfast on Friday and the Conference Breakfast on Saturday. \$500.00
- Delaware Chiefs will fund the BOD lunch on Friday.
- MSAFC will fund the conference lunch and technical session on Saturday.
- NYS AFC will fund a Friday night reception for the BOD, State Association Officers, and EDIAFC Past Presidents in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00. The reception will be held from 5:00 - 7:00 at the Radisson Hotel in Mt. Laurel through the efforts of Bill Dukes.
- The banquet will be funded by ticket sales.

The conference flyer was printed and mailed. It turned out to be a two page tri-fold which was considerably more expensive than ICC had planned. The full cost was near \$3,000.00. Despite that, they honored their commitment and completed it.

Sponsors for the conference include Connective @ \$500, Campbell Supply @ \$5,000, VCI @ \$1000.00, ESP @\$1,000, Cheesquake VFC @ \$500, Airpower Int'l. @ \$300 and Commerce bank @ \$3,000. These are in addition to the state sponsored events and The ICC printing and mailing. All of the sponsors have been put on the web site and asked to submit ads. As there are many to chase down, it is requested that the state directors assist by making sure they follow up with their state ads. All of the corporate sponsors have submitted their donations except Campbell Supply

Commerce Bank will also provide gift bags for the attendees. There was a discussion of handouts to go with the bags. ***Each State Director is to check with his state for possible handouts to be included.*** Commerce Bank will supply some as well. ***The Secretary checked with the IAFC about additional handouts.***

Ted is arranging the catering for the banquet. There will be a band and possibly a pig roast.

The ladies bus trip to Atlantic City is reserved and the bus company was given a deposit. ***Jim Seavey is looking into sponsors and Mary Seavey will organize the event.*** The Secretary is working on trying to get the bus trip back an hour earlier to allow time before the banquet.

Jim Seavey was to contact Garry Briese and invite him to attend and put on his power point program at the conference. This will no longer be possible with the keynote speaker now signed up. The Keynote is covered by sponsors. The program speaker and details are on the web site.

The board discussed a conference program book. ***That task is now with the Secretary Treasurer and is in progress. Jim Seavey will have Cabin John Park do the program for the "Banquet under the Stars" (not to be confused with a barbeque).***

The Eastern has obtained a conference rate from the Marriot Courtyard which has blocked 20 rooms for Thursday and 40 for Friday and Saturday nights. The block will only be held until June 3 so you must book now. The discount is no much but it averages about \$15 per night. Should the Board opt to have more 5 State or BOD meetings in Evesham, we can also get the conference rate for those. The code for making your reservation is **FCAN**. If you have already made a reservation, call the hotel and give them the confirmation number and they will honor the discount

The swearing in of officers will be done at banquet. Announcement will be made at the business meeting where pictures will take place.

CFAI Letter - Garry Briese stated in recent IAFC Board minutes that the CFAI letter that originally went out was not what was intended. The IAFC will not request that candidates be required to be IAFC Members. This eliminated our issues prior to the letter from our Board.

C&B Appointment: Ken Pienkowski was appointed to the IAFC C&B Committee.

Fire GPO: Jim Seavey is attending the Fire GPO Meeting in Seattle on May 11 - 15. Jim was not on the call to report

Fire Chief of the Year: NY and DE have potential nominees. Nominations must get to the Secretary immediately and the secretary will email the Board for a decision.

Bill Walton on IAFC Matters: No report

Conference Agenda

- 0830 Memorial Service
- 0900 Welcome - Seavey and Evesham Township
- 0915 Keynote Speaker - Dr. James Reese - Firefighting without Stress
- 1030 Break
- 1045 Business Session
Reports: President, Int'l. Director, Secretary Treasurer, Budget
IAFC Officers & Guests
State Caucus
- 1200 Lunch
- 1300 Brian Ball - Street Terrorism
- 1500 Business Session Resumes
Reports from the States
Resolutions - Ken Anderson
Old Business
New Business
- 1600 Closing remarks- Bernie Cohan President
- 1615 Adjourn

* PM Business items may be moved up to the morning if time permits.

President's report will include acknowledgment of Sponsors and announcement of new officers