

SC State Firefighters' Association
Executive Committee
Conference Call Minutes
Of January 3, 2020

The call was called to order by President Minick at 1:01 pm.

Participating in the call was: Joe Palmer, Charlie King, Jamie Caggiano, Tracy Williams, Keith Minick, Josh Holzheimer, Rick Cramer, Billy Dillon, Marquis Solomon, Tres Atkinson, Will Broschious, and Malcolm Burns.

President Minick offered words of appreciation on his recent inauguration.

A discussion was held on the need to fill the vacant 4th Vice Presidents position on the Executive Committee.

A motion was made by Jamie Caggiano to forward the name of Brain Brazier of Aiken DPS to fill the vacancy until June. Seconded by Josh Holzheimer. All approved, no opposition.

Malcom Burns will speak to Mr. Brazier and expects he will accept and will most probably be sworn in on Thursday January 9 at the Aiken County Firefighters Assoc. meeting.

Jamie Caggiano offered an update to the group on the Legislative Committee's work on coverage for firefighter cancer. A meeting was held at the SC Fire Academy on January 2, 2020 in which all stakeholders met to finalize a bill draft that has now been endorsed and sent to Stewart, Konduros, and Associates for introduction to members of the General Assembly. Chief Caggiano will send this document to the Executive Committee.

Joe Palmer offered to the group a proposal to update and merge the Volunteer Incentive Points tax deduction program (VIP) from our Association form 302 to an electronic submission system managed by the Division of State Fire Marshal. The DSFM currently receives forms from Rescue Squads and Haz Mat teams and is willing to now accept the same electronic submission from fire departments. This would replace the requirement of paper forms being sent to the Association. In 2020, we would continue to accept either path. 2021 we will portray the DSFM process as the path to file. Tres Atkinson accepted the proposal and made the motion. Billy Dillon seconded. No Discussion. All were in favor, none opposed.

The call was adjourned at 1:15.