WASHINGTON COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE
AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held on May 19, 2016 at Eng 4.

The meeting was called to order by President Sprecher at 1900. Chaplain Bower led the prayer and Pledge. All companies were present. All officers were present.

GUESTS:
Les Adelsberger, Air Unit, reported that the Air Unit will observe its 50th Anniversary on May 30. They are inviting everyone to an Open House on June 4, 2016, from 1300 - 1600. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE AIR UNIT. The new unit should arrive next month.

Charles Summers, Dep. Director DFES, was present to answer any questions from the members.

Terry Baker, BOCC, thanked everyone for their service.

MINUTES: The minutes were accepted as distributed.

TREASURER’S REPORT: The Treasurer's report is in the packet pages 3-5.

CHAPLAIN: A. Chappy announced that Rick Blair has received the Lesley Thompson Award presented by MFCA. Congratulations Rick. B. A Narcan class was held on May 26, at Eng 4. C. A seminar on Addiction and Mental Health will be held on June 4, at Odenton VFC. D. How to Select Appointees is included on page 29. E. Chaplains Committee meeting at Railroad Junction on May 21. F. Donnie Palmer is holding his own. G. Contact Heather Gossard if get well or sympathy cards need to be sent. Include address and company affiliation.

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Career Tech Education: A. Graduation to be held at SHHS on May 26. Dr. Milkie, Chairman of Fire Protection Engineering Program at Univ. of MD., will be the speaker.

EMSA: Meet the first Thursday of each month. Will discuss ADAM at the next meeting.

Recruitment and Retention: A. Winners of Recruitment Challenge, Skills Challenge, and Kid ’s Photo Contest are in the packet on page 11. B. Need more volunteers to participate in REV Program. C. The website is being worked on. D. Some recruitment classes will be offered at the Convention. E. the next Training will be held on June 29, at Halfway. Mary Ellen Waltemire will facilitate "What's in Your Future, A Look at Vision and Mission. Each Company should have a representative present.

Rehab: Rehab reminds everyone that as the weather gets warm to call Rehab sooner rather than later.

Safety: Dr. Prather reported: A. the meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday and at the last meeting Don Lehman spoke about the new Trooper (Helo). B. Tracy reported a drop in Workman Comp claims. C. First Report of Injury must be made within 24 hours by the Chief or Incident Commander. D. Safety 200 doesn't have a vehicle. The Association is trying to correct this.
Standards: A. All Officer Standards have not been received. Companies 6, 9, 11, 13, 49, and 59 have one to several items missing. Company 26 has a few and the Air Unit has not submitted anything.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS  No unfinished business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS: A. The Air Unit and 255 have computer problems and need help from the Association.
B. The SWOT committee was discussed. The President said that this study was requested by the BOCC about 18 months ago and has been very secret. The report will probably go to the BOCC without any input from the Association. Dr. Alcorta monitored the meetings.
C. 2015 Statistical Reports can be completed on line. The following companies have not completed their reports: 79, 59, 26, 13, 12, 10, 5, 4, 2, and Eng 1.
D. Many Companies have not completed their list of Delegate and Alternates to the MSFA Convention. Please do this as soon as possible.
E. A motion was made to move the June meeting to June 9, because of the Convention. On a roll call vote of 6 yes, 18 no's and 1 abstention, the motion failed.

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORGANIZATION
A. The President thanked the Executive Board for their assistance
B. Buddy Blake is having some medical problems and needs our prayers.
C. Narcan works.
D. Mr. Lowman wants the Association to proceed with penalties against companies not meeting standards.

NEXT MEETING  THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 16 HOSTED BY COMPANY 59.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Murray, Secretary