WASHINGTON COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE
AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION

The regular monthly meeting of the Association was held on June 16, 2016 at Company 59.

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

GUESTS:
Tim Ganley, MSFA VCAF, reported that there was money still available to lend. Company 59 received a loan to purchase a new ambulance.
Dave Keller, PP MSFA, reported: A. complete the credentials for Convention completed. B. Fire Reports are being completed on time. C. if there are any question of the state please contact them.
Susan Hurd, Commission on Aging, reported: A. wants to get the drivers for Meals on Wheels to be trained to check smoke detectors. B. if smoke detectors are needed to provide the information to the Fire Company serving the area to provide the needed smoke detectors and install them. C. It was suggested that the Day of Caring would be the day to test the smoke detectors, and Fire Prevention Week would be the time to install new smoke detectors.

MINUTES: The minutes were accepted as distributed.

TREASURER’S REPORT: The Treasurer’s report is in the packet pages.

CHAPLAIN: A sympathy card was sent to the Families of Paul Sauer, Dennis Zimmerman, Rich Smith and Jim Shaffer. Reports are on pages 20-24.

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Career Tech Education: Kingsley reported: A. Thanks for participating in the graduation ceremonies. B. Next year graduation will be on May 24, 2017. C. George Philips contract was not renewed and Sharon Churgot has retired so there will be two new people to train next school year. D. the next meeting will be held in August before school starts. There will be 29 student in the next class.
Computer: Skip reported that Fire Reports are on the cloud now and are pulled on the 8th of the month at noon.
ESAC: Kingsley reported: A. next meeting the 1st Thursday in July. There have been 2 appointments to the board. The meeting will be held at the Hagerstown Fire Department Battalion Office. The August meeting will be held at the new alternate Communications Center.
Fire Prevention and Public Education:
Fire Police: the minutes are in the packet.
Legislative: report in the packet.
LOSAP: The duty shift will begin on July 1, and the LOSAP Coordinators have all be trained in the proper procedures to follow.
Picnic: Rick Blair announced that the Family Picnic will be held at the Antietam Rec
Center on August 20. Dinner will be served at 1230. All the facilities at the Rec Center will be available. Check the website to learn how to receive tickets.

**Property:** Charlie reported: A. There have been problems with the Face Fit Testing equipment. It must be scheduled thru Miss Kitty and returned promptly. B. The Safety Trailer is being returned dirty, the vent window left open, the windows left open, the step down. All of these are the responsibility of the Company using the equipment and the keys MUST be returned to the office. The Safety Trailer must be scheduled thru Miss Kitty.

**Recruitment and Retention:** Nicole reported: A. report on pp 15-16. B. There will be several classes available at the Convention. C. the next County training class will be at Co 26 on June 29. D. A Family Appreciation Award will be available from the Association. Deadline for nominations is 8/1/16. The award will be presented at the picnic. E. new recruit work sheet due back 8/25.

**Safety:** report on pp. 6-9.

**Training:** A report is in the packet on pages 25-27.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**  No old business was presented

**NEW BUSINESS:** No new business was presented.

**REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORGANIZATION**

A. the Hospitality Room will be open Tuesday and has moved down stairs to a larger room.

B. The President thanked everyone for coming out on a nasty weather night.

C. Company 9 will hold a Safety day on July 30, 2016, from 1000-1400. See page 17.

D. Tim reported that MSFA has a tuition refund program for active members and their families. More information at the Convention.

E. Dave Keller recommended that a no vote be cast for extension of officer terms and a yes vote for increasing the membership on the Loan Committee.

F. Rick Blair is running for 2nd VP. Tim Ganley recommend a vote for Rick.

G. MSFA is celebrating the 125th Anniversary. Three companies from Washington County are charter members. Engines 1, 3 and Truck 1.

**NEXT MEETING** THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HOSTED BY COMPANY 79 AT COMPANY 7. FOOD WILL BE SERVED.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Murray, Secretary