

# NEBRASKA STATE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION

## 2009 ANNUAL REPORT 127<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE



## 2009 ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORT

### FOREWORD

Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighter's Association Members: The Executive Board of the NSVFA is happy to present to you a copy of the NSVFA 2008-2009 Annual Report.

Please take the time to review this information as well as to take a copy to your department to share with the membership.

You will find enclosed in this report a copy of the minutes of the Annual Conference meeting held at North Platte in 2008 as well as a list of accomplishments for the year. Also included is the audit report for the NSVFA and Fire School and the budget for the NSVFA and Fire School.

We are happy to report that as of October 5, 2009, the NSVFA has a membership of 6,653 which represents 236 Nebraska Fire Departments. June 30, 2009, the final NSVFA membership for 2008-2009 was 7,444 members. Our goal is to meet or exceed this number during this membership period. Please help us to reach this goal by promoting the NSVFA to departments in your areas who are not members. The current membership number compares to 6,752 for the same time period last year. Not only did we have a total of 7,444 members for 2008-2009 we also mailed 553 additional newspapers for a total circulation of 7,997 papers which was 132 more papers than circulated the year before.

The Executive Board of the NSVFA was involved in the following activities:

Iowa Networking Meeting, Des Moines, IA.....October 24 & 25, 2008  
- Participants include associations from surrounding states; Minnesota, Missouri, Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin

E-Board Teleconference Meeting .....November 25, 2008

E-Board Meeting and Fire School Committee Meeting, Grand Island ..... December 13, 2008

Senators' Appreciation Breakfast, Lincoln.....January 20, 2009

Legislative Stance Meetings, Lincoln and Ralston.....January 20 and January 31, 2009

- Meeting attended by representatives of the Nebraska Fire Chiefs' Assn., NSVFA and Nebraska Fire Chiefs' Assn. and NSVFA EMS and Legislative Committees

E-Board Meeting and Fire School Committee Meeting, Grand Island ..... February 7, 2009

E-Board Teleconference Meeting ..... February 26, 2009

E-Board Meeting and Fire School Committee Meeting, Grand Island ..... May 14, 2009

Worked at Fire School, Grand Island .....Entire week of May 11, 2009

E-Board represented at Pre-Conference Meeting in Norfolk .....July 11, 2009

E-Board Meeting and Fire School Committee Meetings, Kearney .....July 24, 2009

Legislative Caucus Planning Meeting, Kearney ..... August 29, 2009

Meeting attended by representatives of the Nebraska Fire Chiefs' Assn., NSVFA, their EMS and Legislative Committees, PAAN Association, Municipal Fire Chiefs, NPFFA, Nebraska Association of Emergency Managers.

Nebraska Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service, Wood River .....October 11, 2009

The E-Board including the District Directors have also traveled the State of Nebraska appearing at Mutual Aid meetings, banquets, Fire Chiefs' Seminars, department meetings, legislative hearings and proclamation signings conducting the business of the Association.

September, 2009, completes the second full year of the “Nebraska Firefighter” newspaper publication. This achievement provides a wonderful resource for the membership and we ask your help in supporting it by supplying the publisher with your events, photos and upcoming activities. If you need assistance to submit items, please contact the office. The newspaper can only be as good as the support it receives from the membership.

The Association continues to work to use the 2007, \$23,000 SAFER GRANT award. This grant provided the recruitment and retention seminar that is being held in conjunction with the 2009 conference. Last year, recruitment and retention poster and postcards were distributed at Annual Conference and are available again this year at conference. Departments may also contact any of the E-Board and District Directors for these items.

The NSVFA E-Board would like to report the financial status of the NSVFA and Fire School is holding its own. For the first time in five years, monies deposited in the investment account were withdrawn to support the Association expenses. Please note, the actual expenses for the 2009 Fire School exceeded the income received by approximately \$3,500. Please take a moment to review the proposed budgets attached to this report and examine where your dues dollars and registration fees are going. This year, the Secretary-Treasurer, Administrative Assistant, Legal Counsel and Lobbyist volunteered to take a zero increase in wages to assist the association with costs and the E-Board and Fire School Committee remain dedicated to trying to control costs and provide the best service for your dues or Fire School registration dollars.

We continue to look for ways to improve the Association. Please help the elected officers of the NSVFA to better serve you by providing input and recommendations and know that we welcome your suggestions.

The NSVFA Executive Board and all of its committees thank all of the members of the NSVFA membership, Nebraska Fire Chiefs’ Association and NSVFA Auxiliary and other State Agencies for all their support and assistance provided this past year.

E BOARD ACCOMPLISHMENTS  
OCTOBER, 2008, TO OCTOBER, 2009

October 25, 2008: Four NSVFA Executive Board members, George Teixeira, Joe Bockman, Bill Fortune and Ron Chada attended the Iowa States Networking Meeting in Johnston, Iowa.

January 20, 2009: The NSVFA, partnering with the NSVFAA, hosted the third annual Senators' Appreciation Breakfast at the State Capitol in Lincoln. The event was attended by 24 senators, State Fire Marshal, John Falgione; Assistant State Fire Marshal, Jim Heine; and Nebraska State Forester, Scott Josiah. 11 Auxiliary members served breakfast and 50 NSVFA representatives were present to greet and visit with the Senators about the legislative goals of the association.

January 20, 2009 and January 31, 2009: The NSVFA and NE Fire Chiefs' Associations E-Boards and their respective EMS and Legislative Committees conducted Legislative Stance meetings in Lincoln and Ralston respectively to discuss and determine their stances on numerous legislative bills of interest to the associations. In addition to the aforementioned groups, 16 guest members were in attendance at the January 20<sup>th</sup> session.

March 1, 2009: The NSVFA officially announced in the Nebraska Firefighter, the establishment of a \$1,500 LODD policy with Provident Insurance in response to two motions passed at the October, 2008, NSVFA Annual Conference.

March, 2009: The NSVFA provides three new benefits. The NSVFA partnered with ATIRACredit to promote a NSVFA ATIRACredit Platinum Master Card which provides numerous benefits to members and the association. The NSVFA signed a learning partnership agreement with Columbia Southern University providing a 100% on line learning experience for members. Both groups were represented and available to members at the 2009 Fire School. In June, 2009, the NSVFA partnered with Enterprise Rental. NSVFA Members receive 5% off daily, weekly and monthly vehicle rental rates and 50% off on the weekends in Nebraska or anywhere in the United States. More information is available about these new benefits on the NSVFA web site.

March 30 – April 5, 2009: The NSVFA was represented by two members, Norman Hoeft and John Bomar at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Congressional Fire Institute and National Volunteer Fire Council Spring Meeting and North American Fire Training Directors Meeting.

April, 2009: At the close of the 2008 Legislative Session, the NSVFA was involved in 37 pieces of legislation in testifying in support or opposition of legislation.

April 9, 2009, through May 19, 2009, the following legislative bills were approved:

April 9, 2009, **LB 110, Providing for Specialty License Plates**

April 22, 2009, **LB 206, Adopt the In the Line of Duty Dependent Education Act**

May 13, 2009, **LB 92, Move-Over Bill**

May 19, 2009, **LB 198, Adopt the Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity Act**

May 7, 2008: NSVFA Executive Board members attending a signing by Governor Heineman honoring Arson Awareness Week, State Fire Day and Fire Recognition Day with State Fire Marshal representatives.

May 15-17, 2009: The 72<sup>nd</sup> Nebraska State Fire School was attended by 1,247 students representing 261 departments and individuals not associated with a fire department. The Fire School was staffed by approximately 175 instructors and support staff. 2 students were from states outside of Nebraska. Fire Prevention Cooperative Awards, Firemanship Awards, Smokey PAW Award, Fire Prevention Awards and Heroism Awards were presented to numerous nominated winners. A Browning Hilger Award was presented to Derek Rea of McCool Junction.

May 15, 2009: The Peter Kiewit Foundation was honored at Fire School Opening Ceremonies for their support to fire and rescue services in the State of Nebraska, especially during the Pine Ridge fires at which time the Peter Kiewit Foundation assisted 60 departments with \$510,000 committed grants.

May 21, 2009, LR 182, an interim study, to research, review and possibly propose legislative solutions to the growing problem in recruiting and retaining volunteer firefighters and emergency medical care providers was referred to the Unicameral Revenue Committee. Legal Counsel, Jim Egr, and Lobbyist, Jerry Stilmock, have met with UNO professors and colleagues who are developing a proposal related to the interim study and have met with senators.

May 26, 2009: President Teixeira and NSVFA Fire Prevention Committee Chair, Rhonda Cerny attended the ceremonial signing of LB 198, "Adopt the Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity Act" better known as the Safer Cigarette bill which took place in the Governor Heineman's office.

July 11, 2009: A Pre-Conference meeting held in Norfolk was attended by President, George Teixeira; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President, Joel Cerny; Secretary-Treasurer, Bill Lundy; and District Director, Pat Moore as well as Madison Volunteer and Rescue Fire Department Chairpersons, John Bomar and Paul Kellen. Also attending were representatives of the NSVFAA, Marlene Bomar, Madison, and representatives from Nickerson Fire Department.

August 29, 2009: A Legislative Planning Meeting was held with 17 persons in attendance. The NSVFA and Nebraska Fire Chief's Association E Boards as well as their Legislative and EMS Committees were represented and other groups who had been invited and who were represented included the PAAN Association, Municipal Fire Chiefs, NPFFA, and Nebraska Association of Emergency Managers.

September 17, 2009: President Teixeira and NSVFA Lobbyist, Stilmock, attended, with State Fire Marshal representatives, the signing of proclamations honoring Fire Prevention Week (October 4 – 10, 2009) and Fallen Firefighters Memorial Sunday (October 11, 2009) by Governor Heineman.

September 23-26, 2009: Norman Hoeft and John Bomar, NSVFA NVFC representatives attended a NVFC fall meeting in Coralville, Iowa.

October 11, 2009: The Nebraska Fallen Firefighters' Memorial Service was hosted by the Wood River Fire and Rescue and the Hall County Mutual Aid Association at the Wood River High School.

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1<sup>ST</sup> GENERAL BUSINESS SESSION - AM  
OCTOBER 17, 2008

QUALITY INN, SANDHILLS CONVENTION CENTER, NORTH PLATTE

The First General Business Session of the 126<sup>th</sup> NSVFA Annual Conference was held on October 17, 2008, at the Quality Inn, Sandhills Convention Center, North Platte, Nebraska, with the North Platte Volunteer Fire Department hosting the event.

President, Joe Bockman, Bellevue, called the assembly to order at 8:00am. NSVFA Chaplain, Todd Burpo, Imperial, provided the invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance was stated. Credential officials were Ted Goolsby, Bellevue; Don Kuhr and Bob Tichota, Blair; and Craig Bristol, North Platte, with assistance from Eldon Moser, Yutan. Also present were: 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, George Teixeira-Syracuse; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Bill Fortune-Ogallala; Secretary-Treasurer, William "Bill" Lundy-York; Legal Advisor, James M. Egr-David City; Lobbyist, Gerald Stilmock-Syracuse; and District Directors, Parrish Abel-Gering; Ron Chada-North Platte; Quintin "Pete" Teegerstrom-York. District Director, Dean Ulrich-Wakefield was absent.

North Platte Co-Chairperson, Layne Pyzer, provided announcements regarding special entertainment for Friday evening, bus service, and closing of sales for meal tickets. North Platte Mayor, G. Keith Richardson, and North Platte Fire Chief, Paul Pedersen, welcomed the assembly to the 126<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. President, Joe Bockman-Bellevue, responded with a thank you to each of them and the host department, North Platte, and to the Mid Plains Mutual Aid Fire District for the fine job they did hosting the Nebraska Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service the week before Annual Conference.

Secretary/Treasurer, William "Bill" Lundy, asked that the Annual Conference report be distributed. It was announced that Committee Reports will be given at today's session and continued on Saturday, October 18, 2008. These reports are posted on pages 14 through 18.

President, Joe Bockman, Bellevue, declared the Annual Conference open. Roll call of attending departments was taken by Secretary-Treasurer, William "Bill" Lundy-York. 52 departments answered the roll call.

Bob Tichota, Blair, made a motion seconded by Don Softley, Grant, to suspend with the reading of the minutes and to approve as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

Bill Lundy reviewed the schedule of the conference and answered questions pertinent to the schedule and busing. Bill also announced that the LODD trailer is available for viewing in the parking lot and that Isaiah Christensen, recipient of the Browning Hilger Award at the 2008 Fire School, would be on site Saturday morning to thank the assembly for the award.

Bill Lundy asked if there were any questions about the budget that appeared in the 2008 Annual Report. None were submitted from the floor.

Bill Lundy asked for questions regarding the Nebraska Firefighter. There being no questions regarding the Nebraska Firefighter, Bill introduced the officers of the Association.

## Business of the Association:

Secretary/Treasurer, Bill Lundy, addressed the State of the Association with a power point presentation that included:

1. NSVFA Mission Statement, Tag Line, and Web Site
2. Membership Growth showing 6,752 registered members as of October 9, 2008, and detailed by District as:

- a. District # 1                      458
- b. District # 2                      2,038
- c. District # 3                      1,183
- d. District # 4                      3,060
- e. Associate Members              13
- f. (Also noted was 526 Non-Member Subscriptions to the Nebraska Firefighter newspaper)

### 3. E Board Accomplishments:

- a. Oct 26-27, 2007, Three NSVFA E-Board members attended Iowa States Networking Meeting with 5 other state associations present
- b. December 10, 2007, Railroad crossing/public safety group formed of which three NSVFA members and Lobbyist, Gerald Stilmock were members
- c. January 28, 2008, The NSVFA partnering with the NSVFA Auxiliary sponsored second annual Senator's Appreciation Breakfast
- d. January 28, 2008, Legislative Stance Meeting held
- e. Senators were found to introduce four NSVFA legislative goals
- f. February 1, 2008, NSVFA Web blog activated as a tool for departments use
- g. February 28, 2008, NSVFA received the backing of G.A.S.P., Group to Alleviate Smoking Problems, in response to LB 584
- h. Representatives attended numerous legislative hearings and a May 7, 2008, signing by Governor Heineman for Arson Awareness Week, State Fire Day and Fire Recognition Day
- i. LB # 948, Emergency Responders Job Protection Act, was incorporated into LB 1096 and LB 1096 was signed by the Governor, March 31, 2008.
- j. NSVFA represented by 2 representatives at the 20th Annual Congressional Fire Institute Conference and at the NVFC Fall Meeting in Grand Rapids, Michigan
- k. Nebraska State Fire School attended by 1,253 students (representing 271 departments) and support staff of 170
- l. August 16, 2008, Legislative Planning Meeting held with NE Fire Chiefs and EMS and Legislative Committees and new 2009 Legislative goals determined
- m. August 16, 2008, Second Strategic Planning Session conducted by E Board – 12 new and continuing goals were established
- n. October 1, 2008, The Nebraska Firefighter is now one year old and considered a successful, respected communications tool
- o. Two LB 1096 training seminars conducted at Annual Conference
- p. Recruitment and Retention posters and postcards provided at Annual Conference through expenditure of 2007 Safer Grant monies
- q. The NSVFA furnished training reimbursement grants to five departments/mutual aid districts from October, 2007, to October, 2008

### 4. Goals of the NSVFA E Board established at August, 2008 Strategic Planning Session:

- a. Retention / Recruitment of Members for Nebraska Departments and Association
- b. Seek additional support from Corporate sponsors to minimize financial support from Fire School
- c. Additional membership benefits
- d. Hiring of an Executive Director for Association and necessary support staff
- e. Form a legislative support group
- f. Continuity plan for the NSVFA
- g. Education / Training for Executive Board
- h. Permanent office
- i. More communications for the E Board through teleconference meetings

Bill also asked departments to support the Nebraska Firefighter newspaper through submittal of photos, events and articles. Address problems were also reviewed with the assembly and everyone was asked to be diligent in making sure their members' postal addresses are correct and that they are providing change of addresses to the office.

Also requested of the assembly was support for the January 20, 2009, Senator's Appreciation Breakfast. Those planning to attend should notify the office for further information.

Address from Legal Counsel, Jim M. Egr, and Lobbyist, Gerald Stilmock:

Legal Counsel, Jim Egr, and Lobbyist, Gerald Stilmock, accepted the floor from Secretary/Treasurer, Bill Lundy. Jim Egr demonstrated the problem of young people being involved in the Association through an exercise which was quite an eye opener.

Mr. Egr also discussed development of a "Legislative Support" group and discussed the term limit effects on the Unicameral senators. Mr. Egr asked that members of the NSVFA get involved and be politically wise.

Mr. Stilmock indicated that three state senators, (Senators Christiansen, Hansen and Janssen) will be present at the conference at different times and asked the membership to introduce themselves and welcome the senators. Mr. Stilmock provided information on the following items:

1. Scheduled railroad events that may affect 911 and that it is yet to be determined what happens when there is an unscheduled railroad event. Jerry asked those in attendance to discuss with him what is happening with the railroads in their communities.
2. Discussed the language of the mental health bill, the tremendous effort to push this forward through the legislature, veto by the governor and that the bill will be re-introduced in 2009.
3. Reintroduction of the Cigarette Propensity Bill by the NSVFA during the 2009 Legislature term.
4. Due to term limits, there will be 15 open seats to be elected for the 2009 Unicameral.

Open discussion:

1. Frank Schwartz, Columbus, addressed Mr. Stilmock about the shut down, January 1, 2009, of the only viaduct in Columbus that allows for crossing over railroad crossings. Union Pacific has been asked about closing all crossings and building of future viaducts in Columbus, Nebraska.
2. Mike Hoeft, North Platte, asked Mr. Stilmock to speak on the "move over" bill. Mr. Stilmock's response included information that Senator Howard had introduced legislation asking for restricted access on interstates only and the bill was named as Senator Howard's priority bill. Due to opposition of the bill and the business of a short legislative session, the bill was pulled. Jerry and Senator Howard will be working at the 2009 legislature to reintroduce the bill with more than interstates covered.

Jim Egr indicated he had met with the State Patrol and their legal counsel and the group is working on the situation. They are trying to work with the Association to come up with a solution and all groups are facing the same questions and safety issues.

Norm Hoeft, David City, addressed the assembly regarding the necessity of rerouting traffic due to accidents. Nickerson asked that the “move over” law be made effective for all highways. Jim Egr responded that his contact with the State Patrol is addressing all highways.

3. Eric Rasmussen, SE Rural, addressed the assembly about the need for legislative support from the membership and the need for new faces at legislative hearings.

#### OFFICER NOMINATIONS:

2008-2009 N.S.V.F.A. nominations for all elected positions including the 2010 Host Department were called for by President, Joe Bockman. Following three calls for nominations for each position, motions were accepted to cease nominations. Nominations and motions are recorded in the paragraphs below:

#### **<N.S.V.F.A. President Nominations>**

Eric Rasmussen, SE Rural, nominated George Teixeira, Syracuse Fire Department. Dave Parsons, Schuyler, made a motion, seconded by Bob Tichota, Blair, that nominations cease. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **<N.S.V.F.A. First Vice-President Nominations>**

Matt Harmon, North Platte, nominated Bill Fortune, Ogallala. Layne Pyzer, No Platte, made a motion, seconded by Superior that nominations cease. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **<N.S.V.F.A. Second Vice-President Nominations>**

Kendell Brichacek, Linwood, nominated Joel Cerny, Linwood. Jack Lennemann, Snyder, made a motion, seconded by Bob Boshart, Milford, that nominations cease. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **<N.S.V.F.A Secretary/Treasurer Nominations>**

Eric Rasmussen, SE Rural, nominated William “Bill” Lundy, York. Dave Bertram, North Platte, made a motion seconded by Mike Fenimore, Superior, that nominations cease. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **<N.S.V.F.A. Director # 1>**

Jay Templar, Gering, nominated Parrish Abel, Gering. Guy Tielke, Valentine, nominated Warren Bertrang, Valentine. Tim Maxcy, Gering, made a motion, seconded by Columbus that nominations cease. The motion passed unanimously.

**<N.S.V.F.A. Director # 2>**

Bob Tichota, Blair, nominated Don Nelson, Fremont. Jim Gustin, Dakota City, nominated Pat Moore, Dakota City. Matt Harmon, North Platte, made a motion, seconded by Larry Pochop, Albion, that nominations cease. The motion passed unanimously.

**<N.S.V.F.A. Director # 3>**

Layne Pyzer, North Platte, nominated Ron Chada, North Platte. Craig Bristol, North Platte, made a motion, seconded by Schuyler, that nominations cease. The motion passed unanimously.

**<N.S.V.F.A. Director # 4>**

Eric Rasmussen, SE Rural, nominated Joe Bockman, Bellevue. Nickerson, made a motion, seconded by Eldon Moser, Yutan that nominations cease. The motion passed unanimously.

**<N.V.F.C. Director>**

Layne Pyzer, North Platte, nominated Norman Hoeft, David City. Eldon Moser, Yutan, made a motion, seconded by David City that nominations cease. The motion passed unanimously.

Norman Hoeft made a motion that when two people are running for office, they make a statement as to their reasons for running for that office. The motion died for lack of a second but in these instances, the nominated members were invited to provide statements.

**<2010 N.S.V.F.A. Annual Conference Host Department Nominations>**

Eldon Moser, Yutan, nominated Chadron Fire Department as host for the 2010 NSVFA Annual Conference. Dale Holbein, Lexington, made a motion, seconded by Bob Tichota, Blair, that nominations cease. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded by the general assembly body that the assembly recess at 11:30am and reconvene in the afternoon, Friday, October 17, 2008, at 3:00pm following the Fire House of Delegates and EMS House of Delegates who were meeting at 1:00pm. The motion was accepted unanimously.

Prior to recessing, Bill Lundy reiterated that the Safer Grant has provided for retention and recruitment posters and post cards available to the assembly and asked departments to pick these up and take them home.

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1<sup>ST</sup> GENERAL BUSINESS SESSION CONTINUED – 3:00 PM  
OCTOBER 17, 2008:

Announcements made at the continuation of the 1<sup>st</sup> General Business Session included:

1. Polls will close at 11:00am Saturday morning instead of 12 noon.
2. Old Timers Tickets and Banquet tickets must be purchased by 4:00pm, Friday so that a count is available.
3. The LODD trailer is on site during Annual Conference. Kyle Ienn, Ralston, indicated the availability of the Nebraska Serious Injury and LODD Response team and trailer to departments and that the team has a web site at <http://www.neresponseteam.org/> and places articles in the Nebraska Firefighter publication.

#### FIRE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

President, Joe Bockman, called upon 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, George Teixeira, to provide a report from the Fire House of Delegates: 1<sup>st</sup> V.P. Teixeira reported that the following items were reviewed at the Fire House of Delegates:

1. 2007 Fire House of Delegates subjects were once again reviewed and included working with the State Patrol regarding highway closure and scene responsibility, move over law and supporting of LODD benefits and insurance.
2. Discussion of the new vest law
3. Statewide radio system – biggest problem, county wide are being provided money for radios but there was no designation as to what frequency the radios are operated on. The Nebraska State Patrol will begin construction in early, 2009, in the western part of the state progressing to the east.
4. Problems with mutual aid agreements were discussed. Mr. Teixeira asked departments to review their mutual aid agreements and to bring them up to date.
5. Railroad crossing issues were discussed
6. The new PPE standards (NFPA 1851) were examined
7. Computer issues and the need to update computers for the NSVFA and Fire School were presented. A motion had been made at the House of Delegates by Dave Parsons, Schuyler, seconded by Wayne that the Computer Committee write specifications for two new computers. The motion carried (32-0).
8. The Mutual Aid Task Force was discussed. A recommendation was made by the Fire House of Delegates to task the Area Representatives to attend Mutual Aid meetings in a effort to move this forward. Mr. Teixeira also challenged the District Directors to see what interest there is in the Mutual Aid Task Force. Reports from the Area Representatives and District Directors may be made to the NSVFA office or to the Nebraska Forest Service.
9. At the Fire House of Delegates Kyle Ienn, Ralston had stated that the Nebraska Professional Firefighters Association voted to provide \$1,500 to any Nebraska Firefighter LODD family and followed this statement with a motion seconded by Alda that the Association follows the same guidelines. The motion passed (33-0).
10. Required, new Firefighting I training certification being required in other states was discussed. (The Fire House of Delegates was adjourned at 2:45pm.)

## EMS HOUSE OF DELEGATES

President, Joe Bockman, called upon 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Bill Fortune, to provide a report from the EMS House of Delegates:

2<sup>nd</sup> V.P. Fortune reported that Old Business reviewed at the EMS House of Delegates was:

1. National Scope of Practice; previously certified EMTs would lose some of what they were qualified to do and would have different skill sets from newly certified EMTs. Changes are being made and some of this has to do with the letters provided by departments. Specific instances that were described have made a difference and V.P. Bill Fortune asked departments to get involved and continue to provide letters. A recommendation was made from the EMS House of Delegates to send a letter from the NSVFA to ask about hours of training and asking that some of the added training be made as pre-requisites. It was also recommended that a second letter be created regarding making test sites more available across the state.
2. First Responder Caucus
3. Supporting the “Move Over” Law and other Legislation.

2<sup>nd</sup> V.P. Bill Fortune also reviewed new business discussed during the EMS House of Delegates:

1. Creation of new videos to inform the public about EMS
2. Two year licenses and the changes this involves
3. Hospital bill and identifying who you are - asking the Board to make a recommendation.
4. Where is EMS heading in the State of Nebraska? Continue to look at this.

The preceding statements conclude the reports from the 2008 Fire and EMS House of Delegates.

State Fire Marshal, John Falgione, was asked to address the assembly. John’s comments included:

1. Introduction of the SFM Legal Counsel, Regina Shields, and other staff in attendance.
2. Six new staff hired including three new Health Care Inspectors, two Liquid Division inspectors and one additional office staff.
3. Chuck Hoffman, SFM Training Manager, will be interviewing for two positions, a Training Instructor for the Northeast District and an Investigator to be located near Ogallala.
4. Radio inoperability – a contract has been let to Motorola with installation to begin in the western part of the state working east beginning early, 2009, with expected completion June, 2010.
5. SFM budgets are very tight.
6. The SFM is in negotiations with the North Platte Department regarding a burn simulator training trailer for training in the western part of the state. Some of the SFM staff are already trained. The current hurdle is transportation of the unit.
7. FFI mandated training. Chuck Hoffman provided information on this subject. Certain concessions for training may need to be met to apply for federal grants having to do with firefighting. When this might occur is unknown but is in the future. Iowa has already enacted it and hopes to be FFI certified within two years. Looking at the State of Nebraska, it will more than likely require legislation.
8. The SFM office doesn’t have any major legislation to be introduced but may have some clarification of statutes.

Concluding Announcements:

Secretary-Treasurer, Bill Lundy, announced that the NSVFA E Board would like to hear from departments who would be interested in hosting the 2009 Nebraska Fallen Firefighters Service.

Secretary-Treasurer, Bill Lundy, also asked that departments with items for the auction (which follows the Annual Conference banquet) to bring them anytime. Tables will be set up at the back of the general assembly room for display of the auction items during the Friday night reception and during Saturday's General Session.

President, Joe Bockman, offered comments that budgets will determine whether NSVFA training reimbursements can continue and also spoke about a possible change of uniform for the NSVFA officers that are being discussed.

Legal Counsel, Jim Egr, commented on Nebraska Firefighters Museum and Education Center hospitality room 200 and the good information that is available.

1<sup>st</sup> V.P., George Teixeira, indicated that information on LB 1096 is available at the back of the assembly room. John Bomar has information on motels in Norfolk for the 2009 Conference.

President, Joe Bockman, called for a recess of the general assembly until Saturday morning, October 18, 2008.

Respectfully Submitted:  
William L. Lundy  
Secretary/Treasurer

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Saturday, October 18, 2008, the 2<sup>nd</sup> General Business Session was opened at 10:00am by President, Joe Bockman. Credential officials were Ted Goolsby, Bellevue; Don Kuhr and Bob Tichota, Blair; and Craig Bristol, North Platte, assisted by Eldon Moser, Yutan. Also present were: 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, George Teixeira-Syracuse; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Bill Fortune-Ogallala; Secretary-Treasurer, William "Bill" Lundy-York; Legal Advisor, James M. Egr-David City; and District Directors, Parrish Abel-Gering; Ron Chada, North Platte; Quintin "Pete" Teegerstrom-York. District Director, Dean Ulrich, Wakefield was absent.

An invocation was provided by Todd Burpo, N.S.V.F.A. Chaplain, Imperial.

FIRE and EMS HOUSE OF DELEGATES MOTIONS:

President, Joe Bockman, called upon 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, George Teixeira, to review the motions made at the Fire House of Delegates (page 10). Following review:

**LODD NSVFA Contribution and Insurance Motions**

Motion 1 and Amendment: Mike Fenimore, Superior, made a motion seconded by Superior that the NSVFA donate \$1,500 to the surviving family of a LODD. The motion was opened to discussion at which time Secretary-Treasurer, Bill Lundy, suggested that \$1,500 be given to the surviving family of a LODD with an additional \$500 paid to the surviving family if the LODD was a member of the NSVFA. District Director 4, Pete Teegerstrom, York, made a motion seconded by Broken Bow to amend the original motion that if the LODD was a member of the NSVFA, an additional \$500.00 would be paid to the LODD surviving family. Additional discussion was heard at which time, Ulrich Mauser, V.P. of Provident Insurance, offered that they could write an insurance policy, at a reasonable cost, to cover LODDs. The question was called to vote first on the amendment. A show of hands vote indicated the amendment failed with 12 "YEA" and 81 "Nay" votes. The question was then called upon to vote on the original motion. The show of hands vote indicated the original motion failed with 3 "YEA" AND 89 "NAY" votes.

Motion 2: Mike Hoefft, North Platte, made a motion seconded by Kelly Wolfe, York, to investigate a LODD insurance policy and to approve the insurance policy if feasible.  
<Motion passed: 109 "YEA" 0 "Nay">

Motion 3: Todd King, Wood River, made a motion seconded by Rick Klause, Lexington, that \$1,500 immediately be available by the NSVFA for each LODD incident regardless of whether the LODD(s) is a NSVFA member or career staff which could then be reimbursed by insurance to the Association. <Motion passed: 58 "YEA" 20 "NAY">

## **Computer Purchase**

Eric Rasmussen, SE Rural, made a motion seconded by John Bomar, Madison, that specifications be developed to enable the purchase of two computers for the office.

<Motion passed: 109 “YEA” 0 “NAY”>

President, Joe Bockman, called upon 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Bill Fortune, to review the motions made at the EMS House of Delegates (page 11). Following review:

### **Letters to State EMS Board and Department of Health Motion**

Cleon Schwede, Battle Creek, made a motion seconded by Columbus to send two letters to the State EMS Board and Department of Health: The first letter would contain two points:

1. The NSVFA could support the new National Scope of Practice if it would not reduce current EMT-Bs certified skills and to request that classes offered to new EMT-Bs would be maintained at the same level as the previous Scope of Practice.
2. Request reduction of the number of hours for EMT-B licensing by changing certain, non-patient modules into pre-requisites.

The second letter would be to request an increase in the number of test sites in Nebraska or to make available a mobile testing unit.

<The motion passed: 109 “YEA” 0 “NAY”>

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### Computer and Equipment Committee

The committee had no report.

### Constitution and By-Laws Committee Report

Presenter: Jim Horn, Member

Jim Horn, Member of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee presented a power point presentation stating the five NSVFA By-Law Changes that are being proposed for vote at this annual conference.

A motion was made by Mike Stromitis, North Platte, and seconded by Pete Teegerstrom, York, that an emergency exists to change the wording in the ballot proposed change # 3 changing the word “insurance” in the first sentence of section “b” to “assurance”. The motion passed.

The By-Law ballot change proposals and results are listed on pages 20 and 21.

### Election Committee Report

Presenter: Layne Pyzer, North Platte, Committee Member

Mr. Pyzer invited all to provide their vote beginning at 8:00am, Saturday, October 18, 2008.

### EMS Committee Report

Presenter: Kendell Brichacek, Linwood, Chairperson

EMS Committee Chair, Kendell Brichacek, introduced EMS Committee members. Chairperson, Brichacek reported on the activities of the EMS Committee for the 2007-2008 term:

1. The Committee worked on legislative issues including EMS issues attending both the Legislative Caucus meeting and Legislative Stance meeting of the NSVFA.
2. The Committee held teleconference meetings to discuss issues.
3. The Committee assisted the Fire School Committee with classes for Fire School.
4. The Committee provided informative articles to the Nebraska Firefighter for publication and provided information to the NSVFA E Board and Area Representatives relative to EMS issues.
5. The Committee was represented at all State EMS Board meetings. The State Board is still looking at removing the ability to start IVs and Kendell stressed that the Board needs to hear real case stories. A December 19, 2008, State Board meeting will include discussion about the National Scope of Practice. The Committee opposed the National Scope of Practice in its current form, electronic submission and the 48 hour electronic reporting period.
6. The Committee is working with the Emergency Responder Caucus.
7. An EMS page was newly created before conference on the NSVFA web site that the EMS Committee will maintain and a request has been made to NSVFA E Board to use the web blog for a three month trial relevant to responses from departments regarding EMS issues – be on the lookout for this to begin.
8. A campaign will begin shortly to educate the public on moving over, and slowing down at accidents.

A final presentation of three Public Service Announcements was made. The P.S.A.s will be placed on the web site for departments to use for educational purposes.

### Fire Prevention Committee Report

Presenter: Rhonda Cerny, Linwood, Chairperson

Fire Prevention Committee Chairperson, Rhonda Cerny, introduced the Fire Prevention Committee members. Chairperson Cerny reported on the activities of the Fire Prevention Committee for the 2007-2008 term:

1. The Committee met last year at the Ogallala Annual Conference and held several meetings during the year to discuss and plan for the fire prevention needs across the State of Nebraska.
2. The Committee judged the Fire Prevention and Smokey PAW awards and presented the awards at the 2008 Fire School and assisted with the Fire Prevention class at Fire School.
3. The Committee continues to support the “Safe Cigarette” legislative issue. Chairperson Cerny asked that departments also support an awareness and concern for restrictions needed on the sale of novelty lighters in the State.
4. A major goal of the Committee is to promote fire prevention as a proactive tool of the fire service rather than reactive and to encourage departments to submit their prevention

activities so they can be shared in the Nebraska Firefighter, “Fire Prevention-Nebraska Style” articles.

5. The Committee is proposing a “new look” for the Fire Prevention page on the NSVFA web. Watch for new information.
6. The Committee will assist departments with their Fire Prevention Program and is currently looking for two persons to join the Fire Prevention Committee.

### Fire School Committee Report

Presenter: Eldon Moser, Yutan, Committee Chairperson/Director

Mr. Eldon Moser introduced the Fire School Committee members.

Eldon provided the analysis of Fire School numbers including registration records, support staff, instructors, and students completing classes.

Comment Card Responses included a need to improve drinking water requirements, posting of class locations on web after May 1, concerns about increases in motel costs, good class choices with good instructors and quality vendors displaying their goods.

A contract has been signed to rent the Heartland Events Center for the years, 2007 through 2012. The 2009 Fire School will be held May 15 through May 17, 2009.

Challenges in providing Fire School include:

- Propane and Fuel Costs Concerns
- Increase in Lunch Expenses  
\$12,026.53 / 2007 FS  
\$19,234.50 / 2008 FS
- 2008-2009 Budget drawing \$18,700 from surplus to support the 2009 Fire School
- Finding Departments/Cities willing to donate equipment, trucks, volunteer help
- Locating new, innovative classes based on funds and instructors available
- Maintaining reasonable registration fees based on costs – 2009 registration fees will be:  
Member fee maintained at \$80.00 and non-members fee increased \$15.00 from \$135 to \$150
- Open hours for vendors
- Declining number of students  
(2007 – 1,333) (2008 – 1,253)
- State Fair movement to Grand Island and impact on Fonner Park

Mr. Moser concluded his presentation asking Departments to consider displaying their “colors” at opening ceremonies at the 2009 Fire School and indicated that the 2009 Fire School will be advertised in surrounding states news publications.

### Improvement Committee Report

The committee had no report.

## Legislative Committee Report

Presenter: Bill Lundy, NSVFA Secretary/Treasurer and Jim Egr, NSVFA Legal Counsel

### 2008 NSVFA Legislation Reviewed:

- LB 584 – Adopt the Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity Act  
→Indefinitely postponed, to be reintroduced in 2009←
- LB 757 – Adopt Volunteer Emergency Responders Incentive Act  
→Indefinitely postponed, to be reintroduced in 2009←
- LB 948 – Volunteer Emergency Responders Job Protection Act  
→Amended into LB 1096 (not associations bill)←  
LB 1096 – Provide for Hiring of a Fire Chief in A City of the First Class  
→Signed by Governor, March 31, 2008←
- LB 1098 – Change Tax Levy Provisions for Rural and Suburban Fire Protection Districts →Indefinitely postponed, to be reintroduced in 2009←

### 2009 NSVFA Legislative Goals were announced.

- Reintroduce LB 584 – Adopt the Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity Act
- Reintroduce LB 757 – Adopt the Volunteer Emergency Responders Incentive Act
- Reintroduce LB 1098 – Change Tax Levy Provisions for Rural and Suburban Fire Protection Districts

### Proposed New 2009 Legislation

- Propose Legislation to: Eliminate Sales of Novelty Lighters in Nebraska
- Propose Legislation to: Pursue the State Providing a Fire/EMS License Plate, with an additional fee built in to be designated to a special fund to be determined

The NSVFA Proposes to Reintroduce in 2009 -- two 2008 Bills Sponsored by Others if Previously Sponsoring Groups do not sponsor.

- LB 786 – Regulate Traffic Approaching or Passing a Stopped Authorized Emergency Vehicle
- LB 1082 – Amend the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act to Redefine Injury and Personal Injuries

### Other items Discussed at 2008 Legislative Planning Session:

- Who is responsible for EMS should a department/village determine they no longer will provide this service? Emergency Responder Caucus (i.e. NSVFA, NEMSA, PAN, Municipal Fire Chiefs Assn., Air Ambulance Assn., HazMat Assn.) will be scheduled by NSVFA E Board to discuss this issue
- NSVFA and NE Fire Chiefs' Assn. will continue to support the NE Forest Service and State Fire Marshal's office, specifically related to budget issues
- Legislative Hearing Schedule: As provided by Lobbyist, Gerald Stilmock, there is usually six days notice as to when bills will be "in committee". However, committee schedules are posted on Fridays and hearings may be the following Monday. There is no notice as to when bills will be on the floor, but an agenda is posted on the web between 2:00pm and 11:00pm the night before.

### Aggressive Plan to Enhance Legislative Process:

- Legislative Support Group – Develop a group who can be quickly activated to attend hearings on behalf of the NSVFA and Fire Chiefs Assn. If interested – contact Jerry Stilmock, George Teixeira or Eric Rasmussen
- January 20, 2009, Plan to attend third annual Senators Appreciation Breakfast
- Be Proactive -- Attend town meetings with your Senators, contact your Senator by phone or in writing, and attend hearings on behalf of the NSVFA

## LODD/Memorial Committee Report

The committee had no report.

Scholarship Committee Report  
Presenter, Jay Templar, Gering, Chairperson

Jay Templar, Committee chairperson introduced members of the committee.

Jay indicated that unfortunately, there were no applications for the Annual Conference scholarship and no scholarship will be awarded. The Committee met at Annual Conference and was joined by Eric Rasmussen, Chairperson of the Nebraska Fire Chiefs' Association Scholarship Committee and the group created suggestions that they will submit to the two Executive Boards. Chairperson Jay Templar, encouraged members to pass the word that the scholarship is available and the form is available on the NSVFA web site.

Special Recognition Committee Report  
Presenter: Marlene Bomar, Madison, Chairperson

Special Recognition Committee Chair, Marlene Bomar, introduced the Special Recognition Committee members. Chairperson Bomar reported on the activities of the Special Recognition Committee for the 2007-2008 term:

1. The Committee judged the State Auxiliary letters for the 2008 Annual Conference.
2. The Committee judged Fire School awards including Firemanship and Heroism awards, the Browning-Hilger award, and presented these awards at the 2008 Fire School
3. Members attended numerous Mutual Aid meetings across the state presenting information about awards available.
4. Chairperson Bomar announced that per a NSVFA E-Board motion, this Committee will have responsibility for the Browning-Hilger award and currently have one name submitted for the 2009 award. Chairperson Bomar encouraged departments to continue to submit names for the Browning-Hilger award.

There being no further business, Randy Barnes, York, made a motion seconded by Dalton, to adjourn at 11:13am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:  
William L. Lundy  
Secretary/Treasurer

**2008 OFFICIAL BALLOTS**

**<Officer Ballots>**

| CANDIDATES:                      | OFFICER POSITION                  | VOTES CAST: |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| George Teixeira<br>Syracuse VFD  | PRESIDENT                         | 129         |
| <hr/>                            |                                   |             |
| Bill Fortune<br>Ogallala VFD     | 1 <sup>ST</sup> VICE<br>PRESIDENT | 127         |
| <hr/>                            |                                   |             |
| Joe Cerny<br>Linwood VFD         | 2 <sup>ND</sup> VICE<br>PRESIDENT | 123         |
| <hr/>                            |                                   |             |
| William Lundy<br>York VFD        | SECRETARY<br>TREASURER            | 124         |
| <hr/>                            |                                   |             |
| Parrish Abel<br>Gering VFD       | DISTRICT # 1<br>DIRECTOR          | 6           |
| Warren Bertrang<br>Valentine VFD | DISTRICT # 1<br>DIRECTOR          | 10          |
| <hr/>                            |                                   |             |
| Pat Moore<br>Dakota City VFD     | DISTRICT # 2<br>DIRECTOR          | 31          |
| Don Nelson<br>Fremont VFD        | DISTRICT # 2<br>DIRECTOR          | 8           |
| <hr/>                            |                                   |             |
| Ron Chada<br>North Platte VFD    | DISTRICT # 3<br>DIRECTOR          | 31          |
| <hr/>                            |                                   |             |
| Joe Bockman<br>Bellevue VFD      | DISTRICT # 4<br>DIRECTOR          | 42          |
| <hr/>                            |                                   |             |
| Norman Hoeft<br>David City VFD   | NVFC DIRECTOR                     | 125         |
| <hr/>                            |                                   |             |
| Chadron VFD                      | 2010 CONFERENCE<br>HOST           | 126         |

**<N.S.V.F.A. Constitution and By-Law Official 2008 Amendments>**

The following By-Law Articles were **successfully amended** by vote of the membership at the 2008 Annual Conference and now read:

By-Law Change # 1:                    127 “YEA”    2 “NAY”

ARTICLE SIX – BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

SECTION 2:

The Board of Directors shall consist of the Officers of this organization and four (4) District Directors. Said District Directors shall serve no more than two (2) consecutive ***two (2)*** year terms on the Board of Directors in such Board of Directors capacity. ***Two District Directors shall be elected each year with District Directors 1 and 3 elected in alternate years from District Directors 2 and 4. Alternating terms of election will assist with maintaining continued experience and capability to transfer acquired knowledge between the four District Director positions.***

By-Law Change # 2                    127 “YEA”    0 “NAY”

ARTICLE SIX – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 7:

The Board of Directors shall prepare the annual budget of this organization for the next succeeding year following the annual conference of this organization. The budget will be published in the official publication of this organization within one hundred twenty days (120) of the annual conference. ***(This deleted the Nebraska Smoke Eater as the official publication of the NSVFA and leaves the “official publication” as generic.)***

By-Law Change # 3

ARTICLE NINE – DUTIES OF OFFICERS                    127 “YEA”    2 “NAY”

***(ADDS a Section 5: District Directors)***

The NSVFA District Directors shall:

- a. Report to the NSVFA First-Vice President.
- b. Be responsible for all Area Representatives in their area which shall include appointment and filling of vacancies of Area Representatives in their respective District areas and assurance of effective and timely communications to the Area Representatives in their area. Email is an effective tool of communications and it will be necessary for every Area Representative appointed to have a working email address.
- c. Coordinate and insure NSVFA representation at as many fire/rescue meetings in their area as possible.
- d. Attend NSVFA Executive Board meetings and help set policy for the NSVFA.
- e. Attend Area Representative semi-annual meeting at the Nebraska Fire School.
- f. Be in full compliance with their responsibilities per the NSVFA Constitution and By-Laws, Article Six- Board of Directors.
- g. Shall attend annual conference and present a report to the membership.

By-Law Change # 4

126 “YEA” 2 “NAY”

ARTICLE NINE – SECTION 2, FIRST (1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRESIDENT)

SUBSECTION c:

Organize and insure continued membership in this organization within the State of Nebraska. *The First (1<sup>st</sup>) Vice – President shall act as the direct contact for the District Directors and their appointed Area Representatives.* A report of such activities for membership and membership growth shall be given by the First (1<sup>st</sup>) Vice-President at the annual conference of this organization.

By-Law Change # 5

115 “YEA” 2 “NAY”

ARTICLE TEN – STANDING COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

SECTION 1: COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS;

SUBSECTION b: I

Legislative Committee, which shall consist of **five (5)** members.

*Purpose* of this change: Changes number of Legislative Committee members from *three to five* allowing the NSVFA to be more proactive rather than reactive by increasing the number of Legislative Committee members available to assist with legislative matters including attendance at legislative hearings.

2008-2009  
N.S.V.F.A. NATIONAL VOLUNTEER FIRE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE  
NORMAN HOEFT

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| 10/28/2008      | N.V.F.C. Conference Call  |
| 11/7/2008       | Meadow Grove Meeting  |
| 11/20/2008      | Madison Meeting Awards  |
| 12/13-14/2008   | N.S.V.F.A. Meeting in Grand Island  |
| 1/10/2009       | David City Volunteer Fire Department Awards Night<br>(Received 50 year Service Award)   |
| 1/16-18/2009    | N.V.F.C. Executive Committee, Green Springs, MD   |
| 1/24/2009       | Waco Volunteer Fire Department Dinner Awards Speaker  |
| 2/7/2009        | Fire School Meeting in Grand Island   |
| 2/10/2009       | Deliver Fire School Books to York N.S.V.F.A. Office   |
| 2/11/2009       | N.V.F.C. Conference Call  |
| 3/7/2009        | North Platte Fire Department Banquet and Awards   |
| 3/26/2009       | N.V.F.C. Conference Call with Bruce Johnson and David Finger  |
| 3/30 – 4/5/2009 | Washington D.C. N.V.F.C. Meeting, Congressional Fire Service Meeting,<br>North American Fire Training Directors Meeting, Present Director of the Year<br>Awards Posthumously to Paul Wilcox and Dr. Colburn |
| 4/15/2009       | N.V.F.C. Conference Call  |
| 5/14/2009       | Grand Island Fire School and Executive Committee Meeting  |
| 6/10/2009       | N.V.F.C. Conference Call  |
| 7/10-12/2009    | N.V.F.C. Executive Committee Meeting, Green Springs, MD   |
| 8/29/2009       | N.S.V.F.A. Legislative Planning Meeting, Kearney  |
| 9/23-26/2009    | N.V.F.C. Fall Meeting, Coralville, IA   |
| 10/11/2009      | Nebraska Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service, Wood River   |
| 10/15-18/2009   | N.S.V.F.A. Annual Conference, Norfolk, hosted by the Madison Volunteer and<br>Rescue Department   |

Spent many hours and miles through the year of 2008-2009 promoting the Nebraska Firefighters Museum and Hall of Fame meetings.

YOUR MUSEUM IS NOW OPEN!  
PLEASE STOP AND VISIT IT!

Thank You for allowing me to serve you!

Norman E. Hoeft  
Delegate to National Volunteer Fire Council

2008-2009  
N.S.V.F.A. LEGAL ADVISOR  
JIM EGR

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

200 Telephone Conferences

35 Letters and E-Mails on Various Questions by Departments, Rural Boards and Towns

32 Meetings with Rural Districts, Volunteer Fire Departments and Towns

Attended October, 2008, Annual Conference as a Speaker and to assist the Executive Board with Legal Matters

12 Nebraska Firefighter Articles

Attended and taught at the May, 2009, Nebraska State Fire School

8/29/09; Attended the Legislative Caucus Meeting in Kearney

Attended three (3) N.S.V.F.A. Executive Board Meetings since October, 2008

**2009**  
**NSVFA LOBBYIST, GERALD M. STILMOCK**  
**SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES**

- 103 Telephone Conferences
  - 21 Written Correspondence and Memorandums
  - 63 Conferences
  - 169 Lobbyist Activities (Draft Testimony, Attendance at Legislative Committee Hearings, Conference with Senators Regarding Legislation)
  - Attend 2008 Annual Meeting, 2009 Fire School, Board Meetings
- 10/16/08-  
10/17/08 Attend seminar regarding LB 1096 in North Platte;  
10/17/08 Attend annual meeting; attend seminar regarding LB 1096;  
12/03/08 Conference with interested parties regarding prescribed burn legislation;  
01/05/09 Meeting with Senator Dubas regarding tax credit legislation;  
01/09/09 Conference with Senator Cornett and staff regarding cigarette bill;  
01/12/09 Conference with Senator Heidemann and staff;  
01/15/09 Attend Governor's state of state address; conference with Senator Dubas staff regarding tax credit bill;  
01/20/09 Senator Appreciation breakfast; meet with Board and Legislative Committees from NSVFA and Fire Chiefs Association;  
01/22/09 Conference with Senator Nantkes' staff regarding LB 206;  
01/26/09 Conference with George Teixeira regarding health insurance proposal; conference with Senator Fischer's staff regarding health insurance;  
01/28/09 Conference with Bill Stadtwald regarding LB 522 and LB 523; conference with Tom Hamernik regarding LB 116; conference with Senator Sullivan regarding LB 206;  
01/30/09 Conference with Senator Friend and staff regarding LB 523; conference with Senator White;  
02/02/09 Conference with Jim Moyland regarding cigarette legislation; conference with Tim Kiegher regarding cigarette legislation; conference with John Wescott of Bellevue Department, Senator Friend and Bill Stadtwald regarding LB 523; conference with John Wescott, individually; conference with Senator Cornett's staff regarding LB 404; conference with Joel Cerny regarding license plate bill  
02/10/09 Conference with Senator White and Senator Friend regarding LB 523; conference with Senator Friend and staff regarding LB 523;  
03/05/09 Conference with Senator Friend regarding legislation; conference with Chief Deputy Attorney General David Cookson regarding Bellevue Volunteer Fire Department;  
04/07/09 Conference with Bill Peters regarding LB 198; conference with Tim Kiegher regarding LB 198;  
05/14/09 Fire School at Grand Island; attend Board of Directors meeting;  
05/15/09 Fire School at Grand Island; attend opening ceremonies and attend area representative's meeting;  
08/17/09 Conference with UNO professors and Jim Egr regarding cost analysis study;  
08/28/09 Conference with Senator Dubas and others re prescribed burn;  
08/29/09 Attend legislative summit in Kearney;  
09/17/09 Attend Governor proclamation signing;

In this past legislative session, I participated in lobbying activities concerning several different issues. Those legislative issues included income tax credit for volunteer fire and rescue personnel; restore taxing authority to fire districts, MFO funding; Reduced Ignition Propensity Cigarettes; transportation of patients by first responders; move-over legislation; scholarship for in the line of duty death; and seatbelts on school buses.

2009  
NEBRASKA FIRE SCHOOL FINAL REPORT:

The Following information is details from the 2009 Nebraska Fire School.

**1761** Registration Records in the System (7/1/2009)

**1247** Students in Classes 900 through 931 including 26 Students in Elected Officials Class

**206** Non-Members enrolled in classes 900 through 931

**1041** NSVFA Members enrolled in Classes 900 through 931

**94** Students cancelled attendance for the 2009 Fire School

Non-Member Fees Collected = 203 @ \$70.00 = **\$14,210**

## REFUNDS

Total Refunds per Quick Books

|                      |                            |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Equipment Donations  | \$1710.00                  |
| Cancellation Refunds | \$5000.00                  |
| Services Refund      | \$ 275.00 (Ball Insurance) |

Total Process Fees Collected \$2385.00 for student cancellations.

Of the 1247 students, 1041 NSVFA Members 970 completed class requirements, 71 NSVFA members did not complete class requirements. The 206 Non-Members registered, 193 completed class requirements and 13 non-members failed to complete class requirements. The Cadet Class 900 as well as Wildland Fires in Fine Fuels/Red Card Refresher Class 912 where cancelled due to low enrolment.

Total Monies collected for fire school registration as of 6/30/2009 per Quick Books

|            |          |
|------------|----------|
| Non-Member | \$30,220 |
| Member     | \$87,230 |

Note: Quick Book registration monies show collection of class fees prior to refunds being made. These monies would later be reduced by refunds such as:

1. Reduction in fees for non-members who paid their memberships after registering for Fire School as non-members requiring refunding change in class fees from non-member fee to member fee.
2. Cancellations
3. Equipment donation compensations

There were a total of 261 Fire Departments and individuals not associated with a fire department registered into the Fire School Database.

All class certificates have been printed and refund checks have been mailed to all departments and individuals.

*Certified Public Accountants*  
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York, Nebraska 68467  
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Lisa D. Riley  
Rachel A. Jacobsen  
Colin W. Wilson

Board of Trustees  
Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighter's Association  
York, Nebraska

We have reviewed the accompanying statements of assets, liabilities and fund balances – modified cash basis of the Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighter's Association (a nonprofit organization) as of June 30, 2009, and the related statements of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balance – modified cash basis for the year then ended, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these financial statements is the representation of the management of the Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighter's Association.

A review consists principally of inquiries of Organization personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion.

Based on our reviews, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting, as described in Note A.

*Mierau & Co., P.C.*

York, Nebraska  
October 1, 2009

**NEBRASKA STATE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION**  
York, Nebraska  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
June 30, 2009

**NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Overview** – The significant accounting principles and practices followed by the Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighters Association are presented below to assist the reader in evaluating the financial statements and the accompanying notes.

**Nature of Activities** – The Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighters Association provides heightened professional competence for its members. Lobbying at state and national levels by this organization promotes the safety, welfare and professionalism of its members. It is supported primarily through donor contributions.

**Basis of Accounting** – The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Under that basis, certain revenues and the related assets are recognized when received rather than when earned, and certain expenses are recognized when paid rather than when the obligations are incurred. The Organization has not recognized pledges receivable from donors, accounts payable to vendors, and their related effects on the change in fund balance in the accompanying financial statements. Consequently, these financial statements are not intended to present financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

**Income Taxes** – The Organization is a not-for-profit organization that is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**NOTE B – INVESTMENTS**

Investments purchased by the Organization are initially recorded at cost. Interest is added to the value upon receipt.

At June 30, 2009, investments were composed of the following:

|                  |                      |
|------------------|----------------------|
| General Fund     |                      |
| NPAIT            | \$ 143,676.94        |
| Fire School Fund |                      |
| NPAIT            | <u>172,452.01</u>    |
| Total            | <u>\$ 316,128.95</u> |

**NOTE C – PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Management has elected not to include depreciation of fixed assets.

**NEBRASKA STATE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION  
COMBINED STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND  
FUND BALANCE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS**

June 30, 2009

|   | General       | Fire School   | Total         |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                             |               |               |               |
| Current Assets:                           |               |               |               |
| Cash in bank - operating                  | \$ 9,466.40   | \$ 47,452.13  | \$ 56,918.53  |
| MMDA savings                              | 5,444.03      |               | 5,444.03      |
| Investments                               | 143,676.94    | 172,452.01    | 316,128.95    |
| Equipment                                 | 5,632.82      | 5,448.96      | 11,081.78     |
| Building                                  |               | 32,072.02     | 32,072.02     |
| <br>Total Assets                          | \$ 164,220.19 | \$ 257,425.12 | \$ 421,645.31 |
| <br><b>LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b> |               |               |               |
| Liabilities:                              |               |               |               |
| Payroll taxes payable                     | \$ -          | \$ -          | \$ -          |
| <br>Fund Balance                          | 164,220.19    | 257,425.12    | 421,645.31    |
| <br>Total Liabilities & Fund Balance      | \$ 164,220.19 | \$ 257,425.12 | \$ 421,645.31 |

**NEBRASKA STATE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION  
COMBINED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND  
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - MODIFIED CASH BASIS**

For The Year Ended June 30, 2009

|                               | General              | Fire School          | Total                |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>RECEIPTS</b>               |                      |                      |                      |
| Memberships                   | \$ 117,097.00        |                      | \$ 117,097.00        |
| Convention                    | 5,624.30             | \$ 87,230.00         | 92,854.30            |
| Fire school                   |                      | 12,700.00            | 12,700.00            |
| Auction                       | 2,721.50             |                      | 2,721.50             |
| Fire Chiefs                   | 2,500.00             |                      | 2,500.00             |
| Interest                      | 1,564.16             | 1,709.69             | 3,273.85             |
| Non-member fee                |                      | 30,220.00            | 30,220.00            |
| Ball insurance                | 3,328.00             |                      | 3,328.00             |
| Fire hose sales               |                      | 7,909.00             | 7,909.00             |
| Forestry grant                |                      | 3,500.00             | 3,500.00             |
| Miscellaneous                 | 6,484.80             | 3,450.79             | 9,935.59             |
| Contributions                 | 5,642.07             | 3,075.00             | 8,717.07             |
| RV parking                    |                      | 520.00               | 520.00               |
| Advertising sales             |                      | 3,350.00             | 3,350.00             |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>         | <b>144,961.83</b>    | <b>153,664.48</b>    | <b>298,626.31</b>    |
| <b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>          |                      |                      |                      |
| Salary - office               | 33,062.55            |                      | 33,062.55            |
| Part time help                | 2,969.36             |                      | 2,969.36             |
| Payroll taxes                 | 2,293.91             |                      | 2,293.91             |
| Rent                          | 4,312.50             | 4,000.00             | 8,312.50             |
| Telephone                     | 2,539.83             |                      | 2,539.83             |
| Office supplies               | 3,076.72             | 1,262.31             | 4,339.03             |
| Postage                       | 1,549.21             | 1,163.74             | 2,712.95             |
| Dues and publications         | -                    | 4,691.45             | 4,691.45             |
| Officer reimbursement         | 1,000.00             |                      | 1,000.00             |
| Committee expense             | 9,956.43             | 13,726.40            | 23,682.83            |
| Accounting & legal            | 8,618.03             |                      | 8,618.03             |
| Scholarship                   | -                    |                      | -                    |
| Lobbyist                      | 21,274.35            |                      | 21,274.35            |
| Memorial & appreciation       | 4,973.64             |                      | 4,973.64             |
| Utilities                     | 1,126.16             |                      | 1,126.16             |
| Materials                     |                      | 84,368.34            | 84,368.34            |
| Plaques                       | 4,887.01             |                      | 4,887.01             |
| Refund pre-registration       |                      | 6,905.00             | 6,905.00             |
| Miscellaneous                 | 8,782.42             | 4,053.31             | 12,835.73            |
| Pre-reg materials & expense   | 13,183.45            |                      | 13,183.45            |
| Insurance                     | 4,350.00             | 3,121.00             | 7,471.00             |
| Computer supplies             | 2,385.63             | 773.72               | 3,159.35             |
| NSVFA web page                | -                    |                      | -                    |
| Flags                         | -                    |                      | -                    |
| Newspaper publication         | 35,000.04            |                      | 35,000.04            |
| Clothing                      | 2,577.22             |                      | 2,577.22             |
| <b>Total Disbursements</b>    | <b>167,918.46</b>    | <b>124,065.27</b>    | <b>291,983.73</b>    |
| Net Receipts before Transfers | (22,956.63)          | 29,599.21            | 6,642.58             |
| Transfers In (Out)            | 30,000.00            | (30,000.00)          | -                    |
| Net Receipts                  | 7,043.37             | (400.79)             | 6,642.58             |
| Beginning Balance             | 157,176.82           | 257,825.91           | 415,002.73           |
| <b>Ending Balance</b>         | <b>\$ 164,220.19</b> | <b>\$ 257,425.12</b> | <b>\$ 421,645.31</b> |

## NSVFA 2008-2009 BUDGET/ACTUALS AND 2009-2010 PROPOSED BUDGET

|   | 2008-2009<br>Budget | 2008-2009<br>Actuals | 2009-2010<br>Budget |
|---|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>RECEIPTS</b>                                 |                     |                      |                     |
| Membership                                      | \$118,025.00        | \$117,097.00         | \$122,125.00        |
| Annual Conference                               | \$5,500.00          | \$5,624.30           | \$5,500.00          |
| Fire School                                     | \$32,000.00         | \$32,414.63          | \$32,000.00         |
| Fire Chiefs                                     | \$2,500.00          | \$2,500.00           | \$2,500.00          |
| Interest  | \$3,000.00          | \$1,564.16           | \$1,500.00          |
| NPAIT Sponsor Fees                              | \$2,000.00          | \$1,868.16           | \$2,000.00          |
| Miscellaneous                                   | \$1,000.00          | \$2,004.50           | \$1,000.00          |
| Non-Member Fee                                  | \$2,000.00          | \$0.00               | \$0.00              |
| Ball Insurance                                  | \$2,000.00          | \$3,328.00           | \$2,500.00          |
| Annual Auction                                  | \$0.00              | \$2,721.50           | \$2,000.00          |
| Scholarship Donation                            | \$100.00            | \$0.00               | \$0.00              |
| NVFC Expense Reimbursement                      | \$0.00              | \$747.60             | \$0.00              |
| Non-Member Subscriptions                        | \$2,000.00          | \$2,548.00           | \$2,500.00          |
| Shirt Sales                                     | \$1,500.00          | \$454.70             | \$400.00            |
| Over Payment NSVFA Dues                         | \$0.00              | \$730.00             | \$0.00              |
| Funds to be Transferred                         | \$0.00              | \$100.00             | \$0.00              |
| Safer Grant                                     | \$0.00              | \$377.00             | \$5,000.00          |
| Browning/Hilger                                 | \$0.00              | \$882.28             | \$0.00              |
| <b>Totals</b>                                   | <b>\$171,625.00</b> | <b>\$174,961.83</b>  | <b>\$179,025.00</b> |
| <b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>                            |                     |                      |                     |
| Salary  | \$8,000.00          |                      | \$8,000.00          |
| Salary, Office                                  | \$26,000.00         | \$33,062.55          | \$26,000.00         |
| Part Time Help                                  | \$2,000.00          | \$3,217.50           | \$4,000.00          |
| SS-Med Tax and Unemployment (NSVFA)             | \$2,800.00          | \$2,855.53           | \$3,500.00          |
| Museum Support (Annual Auction)                 | \$0.00              | \$2,721.50           | \$0.00              |
| Rent  | \$4,300.00          | \$4,312.50           | \$4,350.00          |
| Telephone                                       | \$3,000.00          | \$2,539.83           | \$3,000.00          |
| Bond Insurance                                  | \$125.00            | \$125.00             | \$125.00            |
| LODD Insurance                                  | \$0.00              | \$4,225.00           | \$4,300.00          |
| Office Supplies                                 | \$3,000.00          | \$2,703.32           | \$3,000.00          |
| Postage   | \$2,000.00          | \$1,549.21           | \$2,000.00          |
| Equipment Repair/Maintenance                    | \$400.00            | \$373.40             | \$400.00            |
| Officer Reimbursement                           | \$1,000.00          | \$1,000.00           | \$1,000.00          |
| Committee Expense                               | \$15,000.00         | \$9,210.63           | \$15,000.00         |
| T-Shirts & Polos                                |                     | \$2,577.22           | \$1,500.00          |
| Class "A" Uniforms, Hat Badges, Name Tags       | \$5,000.00          | \$1,045.80           | \$750.00            |
| Auditing  | \$500.00            | \$400.00             | \$500.00            |
| NVFC Committee Expense                          | \$9,000.00          | \$9,205.52           | \$9,000.00          |
| NVFC Dues / Registration                        | \$2,000.00          | \$1,250.00           | \$1,500.00          |
| Scholarship                                     | \$750.00            | \$0.00               | \$750.00            |
| Lobbyist Service Contract                       | \$25,000.00         | \$19,000.00          | \$25,000.00         |
| Lobbyist Expenses                               | \$2,000.00          | \$1,460.91           | \$2,000.00          |
| Memorial/App                                    | \$500.00            | \$2,252.14           | \$500.00            |
| Utilities                                       | \$1,400.00          | \$1,126.16           | \$1,400.00          |
| Legal Advisor Retainer Fee                      | \$7,000.00          | \$7,000.00           | \$7,000.00          |
| Legal Advisor Expenses                          | \$1,700.00          | \$1,218.03           | \$1,700.00          |
| Benefits Conference Expenses / Registration     | \$1,500.00          | \$0.00               | \$1,500.00          |
| Plaques & Awards                                | \$5,000.00          | \$4,887.01           | \$5,000.00          |
| Computer Software & Support                     | \$2,000.00          | \$1,875.65           | \$2,000.00          |
| WEB Hosting                                     | \$700.00            | \$509.98             | \$700.00            |
| Grants and Awards (Training Reimbursement)      | \$2,500.00          | \$2,427.93           | \$2,500.00          |
| Legislative Education                           | \$1,700.00          | \$813.44             | \$1,700.00          |
| Nebraska Filings Logo and Biennial Registration | \$150.00            | \$20.00              | \$150.00            |
| Membership Refunds                              | \$0.00              | \$730.00             | \$0.00              |
| Transfer to Fire Chief's Fund                   | \$0.00              | \$60.00              | \$0.00              |
| Newspaper                                       | \$35,000.00         | \$35,000.04          | \$38,600.00         |
| Gifts   | \$600.00            | \$0.00               | \$600.00            |
| <b>Totals</b>                                   | <b>\$171,625.00</b> | <b>\$160,755.80</b>  | <b>\$179,025.00</b> |

**NSVFA FIRE SCHOOL BUDGET 2008-2009 BUDGET/ACTUALS  
and 2009-2010 PROPOSED BUDGET**

|   | <b>2008-2009<br/>Budget</b> | <b>2008-2009<br/>Actuals</b> | <b>2009-2010<br/>Budget</b> |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>RECEIPTS</b>                         |                             |                              |                             |
| Education Assistance (Forestry)         | \$3,500.00                  | \$3,500.00                   | \$5,000.00                  |
| Registrations Member                    | \$88,000.00                 | 87,230.00                    | \$88,000.00                 |
| Registrations Non-Member                | \$30,000.00                 | 31,020.00                    | \$31,000.00                 |
| Contributions                           | \$4,500.00                  | 3,075.00                     | \$3,000.00                  |
| Interest from Investments               | \$4,700.00                  | 1,659.99                     | \$1,600.00                  |
| Display Receipts                        | \$12,000.00                 | 12,700.00                    | \$12,000.00                 |
| RV Parking                              | \$500.00                    | 520.00                       | \$500.00                    |
| Fire Hose Sale                          | \$3,000.00                  | 2,951.00                     | \$3,000.00                  |
| Miscellaneous                           | \$2,000.00                  | 1,097.21                     | \$2,000.00                  |
| FS Book Advertising                     | \$4,000.00                  | 3,350.00                     | \$3,300.00                  |
| Hall County Visitors Bureau             | \$1,000.00                  | 2,000.00                     | \$2,000.00                  |
| FS Expense Reimbursement                | \$0.00                      | 734.63                       | \$0.00                      |
| Transfer from Savings                   | \$18,700.00                 | \$0.00                       | \$10,900.00                 |
| Registration Over Payment               | \$0.00                      | 765.00                       | \$0.00                      |
| CO-OP Patronage                         | \$0.00                      | 53.95                        | \$0.00                      |
| <b>Totals</b>                           | <b>\$171,900.00</b>         | <b>\$150,656.78</b>          | <b>\$162,300.00</b>         |
| <b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>                    |                             |                              |                             |
| Instructor Expense                      | \$4,000.00                  | \$7,519.50                   | \$6,000.00                  |
| Noon Lunches                            | \$17,000.00                 | \$19,265.04                  | \$20,000.00                 |
| Committee Expense                       | \$15,000.00                 | \$13,726.40                  | \$15,000.00                 |
| Hose                                    | \$8,000.00                  | \$9,349.99                   | \$5,000.00                  |
| Class Room Material & Demo              | \$4,000.00                  | \$1,484.61                   | \$3,000.00                  |
| Lodging Expense Fire School             | \$16,000.00                 | \$14,961.10                  | \$15,000.00                 |
| Tables                                  | \$3,000.00                  | \$2,684.42                   | \$2,000.00                  |
| Fuel for Burns (propane)                | \$7,000.00                  | \$3,090.82                   | \$3,500.00                  |
| Diesel Fuel Trucks & Miscellaneous      | \$3,500.00                  | \$467.50                     | \$2,500.00                  |
| Fonner Park                             | \$4,400.00                  | \$4,000.00                   | \$4,000.00                  |
| Misc. Facility Expense Trash/Toilets    | \$1,500.00                  | \$1,012.18                   | \$1,500.00                  |
| RV Parking                              | \$500.00                    | \$520.00                     | \$500.00                    |
| Registration Services                   | \$2,500.00                  | \$270.20                     | \$300.00                    |
| Part Time Help Payroll                  |                             | \$1,487.50                   | \$1,500.00                  |
| Registration Material & Office Supplies | \$700.00                    | \$1,262.31                   | \$1,300.00                  |
| Printing & Fire School Reg. Materials   | \$5,500.00                  | \$4,603.93                   | \$2,750.00                  |
| Telephone                               | \$200.00                    | \$192.00                     | \$200.00                    |
| NSVFA General Funds                     | \$30,000.00                 | \$30,000.00                  | \$30,000.00                 |
| Hall of Fame                            | \$250.00                    | \$0.00                       | \$250.00                    |
| Memorial Expense                        | \$100.00                    | \$50.00                      | \$100.00                    |
| Insurance                               | \$3,000.00                  | \$3,121.00                   | \$3,200.00                  |
| Bus Service                             | \$2,000.00                  | \$1,188.00                   | \$2,000.00                  |
| Clothing Allowance                      | \$500.00                    | \$0.00                       | \$500.00                    |
| Travel to Other Schools                 | \$1,000.00                  | \$0.00                       | \$1,000.00                  |
| Office Equipment (Computers)            | \$2,000.00                  | \$773.72                     | \$1,000.00                  |
| Museum                                  | \$6,000.00                  | \$6,105.00                   | \$6,000.00                  |
| Central Community College               | \$1,200.00                  | \$1,092.00                   | \$1,200.00                  |
| Non-Member Fee Paid to NSVFA            | \$2,000.00                  | \$0.00                       | \$0.00                      |
| Postage                                 | \$1,500.00                  | \$1,163.74                   | \$1,500.00                  |
| Contract Classes                        | \$20,000.00                 | \$13,910.00                  | \$20,000.00                 |
| Registration Refunds                    | \$8,000.00                  | \$7,105.00                   | \$8,000.00                  |
| Security                                | \$400.00                    | \$375.57                     | \$400.00                    |
| Cash School                             | \$300.00                    | \$300.00                     | \$300.00                    |
| Golf Carts                              | \$350.00                    | \$0.00                       | \$0.00                      |
| Miscellaneous Expense                   | \$500.00                    | \$871.30                     | \$500.00                    |
| Support Staff Additional Workers        |                             | \$1,795.81                   | \$1,800.00                  |
| Advertising                             |                             | \$442.00                     | \$500.00                    |
| <b>Totals</b>                           | <b>\$171,900.00</b>         | <b>\$154,190.64</b>          | <b>\$162,300.00</b>         |