

02/6/2014

FOP Executive Board Meeting

5:13 PM Meeting Started

**Attendance:**

President - Jim Luckett  
Vice President - John Allen  
Secretary - Jim Leon  
Financial Secretary – Michael Michienzi  
Sgt. At Arms - Brian Truhlar

**Motion:** Truhlar made motion to approve meeting minutes from 01/10/2014. Motion was seconded by Michienzi and all voted in favor.

Michienzi presented 01/2014 FOP financial report (See Attached). Michienzi discussed about sending letters to prior FOP board members requesting all past financial documentation so the FOP is on par with current financial audit. Also it appears that Sgt. Linklater and D.C. Denney may retire during the year of 2014 and the 2014 budget should reflect both retirements. Prior to opening a 2<sup>nd</sup> checking account, an updated set of by-laws need to be approved by the membership. Deposit for Wish Upon A Star was \$3,675.00 and a check for Wish Upon A Star was presented for \$2,375.00 (minus cost of TV that was raffled off and cost of winter hats for FOP members that played and also for Plainfield PD). 2014 Budget will be presented at March 2014 Executive Board meeting.

**Motion:** Allen made a motion to approve financial report and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Leon. Motion passed unanimously.

High School Scholarship program was discussed by Michienzi where the FOP would provide two one time \$500.00 scholarships annually which would be limited to students at Romeoville High School students and also FOP members and associate members families as well. Associate member Donna Jahn, Member Kelley Henson, Member Thomas Dorsey and Michienzi will spearhead this program.

\*\*\*Note: Allen stepped out of meeting for approximately 25 minutes.

**Motion:** Michienzi motioned annual high school scholarship program of 2 \$500.00 scholarships 2<sup>nd</sup> by Allen which passed unanimously and will be headed by Michienzi.

Financial Audit needs to be completed. Michienzi will seek out 3 bids from accounts from local businesses and present those next month for approval.

Budget ideas in order to raise money for FOP as additional fundraisers will be reflected on the future budget.

Financial request from RPD Administration for FOP to provide breakfast that would be catered breakfast for the amount of \$314.50 for retirees that must qualify yearly for their conceal carry firearm. Lockett stated that this might be an annual event. Michienzi stated he liked the idea as a way to pay it back toward our retirees.

**Motion:** Truhlar motioned to approve \$400.00 to pay for breakfast for retirees, which was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Michienzi and passed all in favor. Allen was not present for this vote.

Member Escabedo provided information regarding a Village employee relations committee (see attached documentation form). Request is to pay for a \$50.00 entry fee for a softball tournament on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> 2014 at 9:00 AM. \$50.00 covers costs for umpires and an FOP team would be playing.

**Motion:** Michienzi to approve the \$50.00 entry fee and the FOP will put together a team and organized by member Escabedo, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Truhlar, all in favor passed. Allen was not present for this vote.

Lockett discussed newest set of located by-laws regarding board elections. Lockett stated that the year of 2014 that President, Sgt.-at-Arms and Secretary are up for election 2014. Michienzi stated the by-laws need to be approved by this board and membership. Leon will contact the Illinois State FOP Lodge for a current record of Romeoville Lodge #15 by-laws.

Lockett provided a list for a Volunteer Committee for special events with the following members and associate members interested: Mimi Bejda, Kelley Henson, Donna Jahn, Christine Masterson, Debbie Becker, Linda Derusha, Brant Hromadka, John Ferdinando and Thomas Dorsey. Truhlar asked if Linda Derusha was an associate member of the FOP and Michienzi advised Linda is not an associate member. It was discussed to attempt to get Linda to become an associate member. It was decided that this would be tabled to next month executive board meeting until by-laws are updated.

St. Baldrick's event in Bolingbrook and Kim Knutsen was asking if the FOP would put a team together. It was decided to pass on this event from an FOP event for this year due to lack of time.

FOP Bicycle Ride in June of 2014 from Romeoville to Morris thru I & M Canal. McClellan will lead the way for this event and will correspond with Truhlar.

\*\*\*Note: Allen returned to meeting.

Lewis University Police Department was given information from Luckett for possible future membership depending upon FOP by-laws. Lewis inquired if there were any legal assistance available and Leon is going to look into it and obtain the proper information.

FOP website needs to add a general email account. Website is up and running and will need to be updated. Items to be added to FOP website are fillable forms documents for donation requests and future events as well. Also, Truhlar needs to get with Michienzi to set up a Pay Pal account, so online donations go directly to FOP bank account. Truhlar will get with Clesceri to assist with setting format and adding information. Luckett commented the FOP website is looking good in its early stages.

The Big Brothers Big Sisters bowling event. Allen hasn't received any information on the event yet. He will look into obtaining the information.

Block Rocker Speaker System was purchased and Truhlar will turn in receipt to Michienzi for reimbursement. Truhlar will bring speaker box to PD and place it in PD Investigations for safe storage.

Membership meeting should be in March 28<sup>th</sup> 2014 at 6:30 PM at At's A Nice Pizza. Food and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided by the FOP for all members attending. Luckett and Leon will post fliers around PD and also send emails out to everyone.

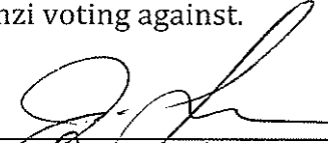

**Motion:** Allen motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:05 PM and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Michienzi. All voted in favor and passed including Allen.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:05 PM.

\*\*\*\* Via text messages including all Executive Board members (Luckett, Allen, Leon, Michienzi and Truhlar) which began on Feb. 21, 2014 at 1157 hours. Allen received a request from Romeoville resident Petra Burgess of 431 Berkshire, Romeoville, IL 60446, asking if the FOP would assist by accepting donations on behalf of Brianna Valle family (she was a 15 year old who was murdered on Feb. 12, 2014). Petra gave Allen a written request (*See Attached*) and asked if we could help for their fundraiser, which is being held at Stone City Saloon on March 2, 2014 at from 1500 – 1800 hours. Allen asked also for the FOP to donate \$100.00. Michienzi suggested we donate \$250.00 and not have the FOP involved with collecting any funds from local corporations for the purposes of the FOP not-for-profit status being abused.

**Motion:** Truhlar recommended that the FOP make direct with the corporations that were willing to donate money only if the corporation needed a not-for-profit FEIN # and then write one (1) check from the FOP for the donated monies specifically for the Valle family fundraiser and add only a \$100.00 donation from the FOP. Allen 2<sup>nd</sup>

the motion, which was followed by a vote of Lockett, Leon, Allen and Truhlar in favor and Michienzi voting against.

James Lockett:		Date: <u>3/12/14</u>
John Allen:	<u>John Allen 349</u>	Date: <u>3/12/14</u>
James Leon:	<u>J. Leon #349</u>	Date: <u>3/12/14</u>
Michael Michienzi:	<u>M. Michienzi #357</u>	Date: <u>3/12/14</u>
Brian Truhlar:		Date: <u>03/12/14</u>