

May 6, 2026
L710 Meeting Minutes

Called to Order: 19:33

(meeting delayed due to an introduction and Q & A with Chief Fuggit, followed by presentation from Joe Maloney & Kenny Huston- AFL/CIO Pres & Lobbyist)

Accept minutes, motion Hoston, second Robinson

Presidents Report:

Eckert Reports,

New Chief

Contact with Fuggit has been good so far

Admin Cleanup

-During this transition time trying to accomplish some things that were stalled under former admin

-Working on codifying some unwritten things (8 week academy)

-Language tidying with things regarding deputy to div chief change (discipline)

Negotiations

-LE and LCEA will be negotiating, we will be watching what happens and planning our moves for next year

-KCFR is negotiating, they are hiring it out. Idaho falls contractored the same company and paid 60K, curiosity about price tag and outcome for our 2856 neighbors

Banquet

-thanks for the attendance

-anticipating changes in future, expect a committee for this

Treasurer's Report:

Paul Reports,

-no numbers prepared, will share next month

-Banquet cost, budgeted 7K. Came in far over at 14K

Committee Reports:

Insurance:

Judge, anticipating more expensive year than last, numbers come out in July

Health and Fitness:

Torfin, working on refreshing some things. Work on how we combine performance/safety/peer support. More to come.

PAC/1st District:

Hoston reports,

Levies

- some levies in the area if you have questions on any reach out

Primaries

- couple weeks out

- headed to Moscow for door knock efforts

- Blasick/Aeaganeson will be coordinating a Sandpoint door knock

- Door knocking supported by IAFF fed dollars

Eckert chimes in,

- Primary is essentially the election, May 19th

- 51 North Idaho Republican committeemen are running

- for what it is worth, If you intend to put in for a public office- Great! , but do consider reaching out and letting our PFFI lobbyists know, if you happen to choose to run against someone that we are supporting and expects our support it can ruffle feather to have our members oppose them at the ballot box nice to have advanced notice

Banquet Committee:

Newly formed committee with the goal of evaluating banquet, desires and budget. McCormick will chair. Looking for two members per shift and one non line member. Intent is to meet this month and bring some recommendations within two months. Contact McCormick if interested.

Old Business:

Website

- McCormick Updates, build is going well. Have been working with them to transfer important elements and build a site that should be more user friendly. Aiming for a May 15th completion, on track thus far.

Scholarship

- we sponsored a scholarship with tribe/chamber event

- Bieker attended on our behalf

- student was awarded scholarship

Wildland Deployment

- Georgious, pushing the discussion/vote on proposal to next month

New Business:

M34 MOU

- Eckert presents
- M34 staffing has increased, our MOU needs amended to match
- intent of the language is to allow this MOU to grow with it when full staffing is ultimately achieved, should not require another update
- see attached for MOU
- Unanimous Pass

Bolivia Benefit Golf

- Hoston, Motion to pay \$325 to sponsor ½ the cost of a golf team for the Bolivia Benefit golf tournament July 18th. Second McLaren
- Unanimous Pass
- contact Hoston if you want to play

Family BBQ sponsorship

- Brawley, Motion to spend up to \$1,500 for 2 Family BBQ days. Second Judge.
- Unanimous Pass

Division Chief and DFM OT Proposal

- Ivey, Motion to vote on the written proposal for non line union employees working OT.
- much discussion follows, Ivey answers questions that were submitted via email, people question the option to opt out, the method for awarding the OT, how it fits into 40 hr duties etc...
- 46-4 pass

Insurance Transition

- Judge, motion to pursue moving towards International Firefighters Trust for insurance, ie E-Board communicating this intent with city and beginning efforts. Second Judge
- Judge lays out some reasons for this move
 - no notable improvement to our benefits since the beginning of the trust in 2016
 - our trust offers no spouse continuation
 - trust savings have been used to buydown premiums rather than enhancing benefits or retiree options
 - repeated inability to expand mental health service through III-A
- much discussion, and some questions answered
- unanimous pass

Food fund

- motion to increase food fund from 125 a month to 150, McCormick second Torfin
- will be posted and voted on as a bylaws change next month

Good and welfare:

- Eckert, May 19th council meeting the medal of valor will be presented, attendance encouraged
- Church, aiming for June 3rd or 9th at Caddyshack for Legacy Night
- Moore, get in touch if you want to chip in on a retirement gift for Grief
- Hoston, workers memorial went well, good partnerships, NH memorial also went well. Kudos to Kieres on impressive solo.
- Hoston, planning on stepping out of the honor guard in 2 years, consider getting involved.

Move to adjourn: 21:14

Written by McCormick

