

New England Division, International Association of Fire Chiefs
Teleconference Board Meeting
May 13, 2010

Present on the call were; Chief Michael O'Neil, Chief Roger Bradley, Chief Steve Carrier, Chief David Sayles, Chief Steve Locke, Director John Wood, Chief Jack Parow, Chief Chris Christopoulos, Chief William St. Michel, Chief David Jardin, Chief Gerard Dio

President Dio called the meeting to order at 14:00 and explained why the short notice and reason for the conference call. Indicating that Chief O'Neil would continue through the officer chairs if we were willing to delay moving the annual meeting of the division by one year.

Chief David Sayles moved to delay moving this year's annual meeting of the division, which would have been at FRI in Chicago by one year. That the annual meeting of the division for 2010 would be held in Springfield, MA during the June conference, effectively moving the annual meeting for division in 2011 to FRI in Atlanta; Chief William St. Michel seconded the motion. After a short discussion the motion passed.

The Board had voted to move the annual meeting to FRI in Chicago instead of Springfield, MA at an earlier quarterly board meeting because of time constraints at the June conference, and because of poor attendance by division members at the annual meeting. We normally have 90-100 members attend the IAFC annual FRI luncheon meeting, where as, we only get 6-12 members attend the annual meeting in Springfield, MA.

Discussion then took place regarding the proposed division by-law changes and when the members would vote on them. Secretary Wood explained that the by-laws require a 30-day notice to the membership, and that the notice has to be mailed directly to each member. The secretary would mail them out before the June 24, 2010, annual board meeting so the membership would have them prior to the meeting, and at the board meeting they would be discussed. The official vote would take place at FRI Chicago in August. The board decided that would be the best way to proceed.

President Dio has to appoint a member to the IAFC By-law committee. Chief David Sayles is the current member. President Dio will contact Chief Sayles to stay on for another term.

Secretary John Wood and International Director Roger Bradley announced they would be seeking a 3-year re-election in June for the positions they currently hold.

Meeting adjourned 14:40

