

AVERY FIRE ASSOCIATION

January 7, 2016 - Mayland Tech - Newland, NC

The regular monthly meeting of the Avery Fire Association was called to order by President Paul Buchanan. Paul thanked Melissa and the college staff for the barbeque dinner. Members were asked to keep Keith Law's family in their prayers. Bobby Powell called the roll. All departments were represented. Anthony Polygus moved that the minutes be approved as posted on the website. Bob Pudney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

It was announced that David Charles was sick and the Nedra had to go back into the hospital.

Melissa Phillips passed out an upcoming class schedule. She also noted that she was working on an elevator class, air crash training and that there would be a NIMS 300 training class at Newland VFD starting January 25th taught by Joe Shoupe.

Bob Garland gave the Chief's committee report. He then made a motion: " That the Association adopt a new countywide policy requiring that all members making interior attacks on fire scenes be State Certified to the 1403 level by July 1, 2017. Matt McClellan seconded the motion and it passed 11 to 1. Bob also reminded each department to call the State Association office to find out how much they can draw out of their relief fund account each year to increase member accident & sickness insurance coverage.

Members discussed radio interference & static, poor reception and missing street signs for the upcoming 911 committee meeting. It was mentioned that Crossnore, Green Valley & Frank had not received I Am Responding texts on recent calls.

Joe Shoupe thanked Linville & Newland for help on recent calls.

Levin Sudderth reported that he was working to get the legislature to change the law that only allows ATV's on public roads - to include UTV's.

The next Western Association meeting was set for: January 20th at the Reynolds Fire Station near Asheville.

There being no further business - the next meeting was set for February 4th at the Green Valley Fire Station. Chief's meeting at 6:30 pm