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Annual General Meeting September 23, 2016 Black Knight Inn, Red Deer, AB

Members Present

Randy Brown Fahrenheit 451 Stuart Rowlandson Sprouse Fie & Safety Renee Seitz National Pressure Washer Jerry Cerny Amptec Fire & Security Vic Ritchie Sprouse Fire & Safety Pat Purnell Intertek Testing Services Tara Ross 22 South Fire Ron Foxcroft Fire Safety Services (Calgary) John Wingert Riviera Electric Ltd Lorne Buczyk Tyco Integrated Fire & Security Shelby VanGroothest Fire Safety Services (Calgary) Advanced Fire & Safety Robbin Foxcroft Devon Tretiak **Brogan Safety Supplies** Joseph Jean Lunick Reality Power Clean John Schmidt Jas Electrical Darrell Shermak 3D Fire & Safety Ltd Wayne Backman Protech Fire & Safety Andrew Bond Panther Integration Steve Woodman Protech Fire & Safety Ken Gentek Fire Safety Services

Randy Brown opened the meeting at 10:03 am, and stated we would follow the agenda as distributed.

Minutes: The minutes of April 29, 2016 were distributed by the secretary Robbin Foxcroft on the AFSA website. Robbin moved that we dispense with the reading and adopt them as they are circulated. Darrell Shermak moved and John Wingert seconded the minutes be approved as read. Motion carried

Business arising from the minutes: There is no business arising from the previous minutes.

Treasurers Report: Bank account as of today (September 23, 2016) is \$11,568.16. All bills and accounts were paid and up to date.

New Business:

- With sadness it is announced that Gary Darling has passed away due to a brain aneurysm. Gary was a staple in the fire protection industry for many years, and a close friend to us. He will be dearly missed.
- AFSA 40th anniversary September 2017. Putting together a committee to oversee a gala for the anniversary. We would like to include past 'life time' members for the evening. Committee volunteers: Darrell Shermak, Randy Brown, Robbin Foxcroft
- 311 Reporting in Calgary for fire alarm deficiencies, 10 day notification. John Schmidt stated that the system is working very well. The deficiencies are being followed up by the inspectors diligently.
- Fire plans in W Vancouver are being retracted by the fire departments, and are required to be redone in their format, template.

Committee Reports:

- a. **Portables:** (Darrell Shermak): Standata for Alternative labeling for portable fire extinguishers.

 Pat Purnell regarding the UL vs ULC fire extinguisher Standata. This has been taken to the Standard Council of Canada for further action (allowing UL Fire extinguisher across the border)
- **b. Fixed Systems:** (Ron Foxcroft): Kidde's re/certification course in Edmonton very well attended. An additional course will be held in the spring of 2017 to allow for the additional participants that were unable to attend due to space allowance. CO2 courses are only being held in US, therefore, there are no certified CO2 or Chemetron technicians unless recertification in US.
- c. Fire Alarms: (John Wingert): Question from Darryl DeWaal, inspection on in-suite devices for annual fire alarm inspection (refer to email). Standata states every four year of in-suite devices inspections, although Kevan Jess verbally stated it was every two year. Integrated testing of new buildings ULC1001, to have all disciplines on site at same time to do complete verification of all systems is being developed. We will have to work with CFAA to draft something to send to FSC for clarification.

- d. Fire Sub Council: (Robbin Foxcroft): Qualified persons registry no update until next FTC meeting (Nov. 2016).
- e. Canopy Cleaning: (Shelby VanGroothest): A course outline for Alberta written Certification of Canopy Exhaust Cleaners
- f. Sister Associations: Ken Gentek for CASA compulsory trade designation of sprinkler technicians, still needing letters to submit. The letter will be available on the AFSA website. Edmonton fire department and Calgary fire department appear polar opposites. Edmonton FD's are quite willing to work with customers and companies where Calgary FD are not. Initiate a conversation with Mike Baker to start a process with the Calgary Building. 120V system upgrades not being required.
- g. Fire Administrator's Office: Kevan Jess and Tina Parker were unable to attend.

Membership: No new members since last meeting

Round Table:

Lorne: Safety codes officers and education. Reading tags wrong and writing up customers that are compliant.

Shelby is leaving Advanced Fire and going with Shelby International only.

Pat Purnell noticing uncertified companies (alarm & sprinkler companies installing extinguishers), if you notice uncertified companies please take a picture of the tag and send to Pat, so he can help AMA. Haven Fire Suppression – still not complying with ULC, nor are they allowed to be sold in Alberta. They have done nothing to move forward with listing the product.

Next Meeting: Tentatively scheduled for February 10, 2017 at 10:00 am at the Black Knight Inn, Red Deer, AB

As this concluded the business on hand, the meeting was adjourned at 11:53 am.

President Secretary/Treasurer

Randy Brown Robbin Foxcroft