



Kansas State Firefighters Association, Inc.

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SPECIAL STATEMENT FROM THE KSFFA EXECUTIVE BOARD

March 19th, 2020

As you are aware, the KSFFA Executive Board voted to cancel the in person conference scheduled for April 23-25 in Topeka, KS to comply with the Governors Executive Order issued on March 17th 2020. In accordance with the KSFFA Constitution and By Laws , Article V Section 2 and Article VIII Section 1, an alternate conference platform is being explored for the 2020 Conference to conduct a vote for Officer positions and to conduct what necessary and required business may be needed during this time of National Emergency. The KSFFA Executive Board is working towards conducting a short electronic meeting to be held on Saturday April 25th at 1000. The web address and platform for said meeting will be sent via electronic format to those departments who supply credentials and a valid email as listed below.

In accordance with Article VIII Section 5, credentials will be approved by a Credentials committee appointed by the Executive Board. As this event falls under extenuating circumstances, member associations may submit credentials to the Secretary with only the approval of the FRA Secretary/Treasurer and President. **Credentials should still be submitted using the current printed forms located at www.ksffa.com** . However, there will be no fees necessary. **All credentials forms shall be in to the Secretary prior to April 15th** to accommodate the necessary notifications. They can be submitted electronically to the Secretary via email if necessary. WRITE IN AN EMAIL ADDRESS FOR EACH DELEGATE WHO WILL PARTICIPATE. This is essential to allow for proper contact and verification should an electronic platform be acquired. If no email is provided, the delegate cannot receive the log in information to attend the conference. Remember that each department is allowed four voting delegates. Those credentials that have already been submitted will receive contact from the Secretary about how to receive a refund of delegate and alternate fees.

Per Article VIII Section 13, a Nominations committee will be appointed to receive the electronic nominations and give a report the day of the meeting. The process for making a nomination will be sent to those credentialed delegates after April 15th. This committee will receive names for the period prior to the electronic meeting and vet them for eligibility for office. The names will be announced of those candidates at the meeting. An electronic vote gathering mechanism will then be sent to each credentialed attendee of the meeting to vote for each office.

As an Executive Board, we thank you for your understanding and willingness to make this emergency action work. As a group, the Kansas Fire Service constantly proves its ability to adapt and overcome and daily proves it is willing and able to do what is necessary to get a job done. We thank you all for your service and look forward to seeing you all in person at a Regional School near you soon.

Dedicated to the Safety and Education of the Kansas Firefighter