## ARROWHEAD MSFCA REGION 3 REPORT

## For Arrowhead meeting on 2/10/2011 at Esko

The finance committee met on January 21, 2011. We made out the budget for the year and we have a balanced budget. The 2010 budget was on target for the year.

The Board of directors met in St. Cloud on January 22, 2011 at 10:00 at the Radisson Hotel. We had 27 members present and 6 absent. All regions gave their reports. Below is a list of items that were discussed:

- 1. The conference in Rochester had a lower attendance than in past years but the cost to put the conference on was not as costly.
- 2. Jena is always looking for articles for the magazine. Jena will work with you on your articles and help you put it together.
- 3. Minnesota Fair Plan has requested that we continue to the GYBO plan for another year which we approved.
- 4. The National Volunteer Fire Council had a successful conference which was held in Bloomington.
- 5. Much discussion was held on the Minnesota Board of Firefighter Training and Education. We have a number of concerns that include administrative costs and licensure confusion. Also communication seems to be a problem for the board.
- 6. Legislative issues are being worked on. Please go to the MSFCA web site under legislative update for the list of items that are important to us.
- 7. The annual board retreat is scheduled for April 15- 17, 2011 at Craguns Resort Brainerd. We will set new goals for this year to achieve.
- 8. Fire/EMS/Safety Center has a number of programs that are being eliminated and also some campuses could be closing. The library will no longer will be located at the Center and they are looking for a new home for all the materials.
- 9. There is a new public safety commissioner who will be starting shortly. Her name is Mona Dolman (sp).
- 10. The Lake Region is developing a web site. It is <u>www.lakeregion.com</u>
- 11. We will not have a board meeting at the MSFDA conference this year. The Ex. Board will meet only.
- 12. Keep in mind the MSFCA conference will be held in St. Cloud this year at their new civic center. The conference will be held on October 20-22, 2011. Please make plans to attend.

Respectfully Submitted

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