

## **Annual General Meeting - October 14, 2017**

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held on Saturday October 14, 2017 at the Nova Scotia Firefighters School (NSFS). There was a good turnout of 60 members, as taken from the sign-in sheet, and 8 suppliers and manufacturers turned out to support the event. The day kicked off with the meeting starting at 10:00am, followed by one minute silence in respect of those who have served and have passed.

The Minutes from the previous AGM held the following year on October 23rd were approved.

The Nominations Committee put forth the following names for the appointment of President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. Jim Roper for President, approved. Daniel Gaudet for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, approved and Tory Rushton for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, approved.

Beth Edwards, Executive Director, reported the following in regards to membership -

This is where we ended up for the last fiscal year, 230 departments and 558 members onboard along with 19 suppliers. Our budget numbers for 2016-2017 were 600 members and 20 suppliers. As a point of reference the Office of the Fire Marshal has 271 fire departments listed in Nova Scotia.

Jim Roper, in his role as Chair, Finance Committee, presented the budget for 2017-2018 which was approved as presented. The net worth of the Association as of August 31, 2017 was \$ 77011.40.

A delicious lunch, served at noon, was co-sponsored by Robert MacLeod, of MacLeod Lorway Insurance and prepared by Kyle Christofferson, Corporate Chef, of Chef Inspired Group of Restaurants and his staff. Hot lunch of pork sliders and lasagna was enjoyed by all who attended. Over lunch members had amble time to mingle with our suppliers and manufacturers. Thanks as well to our suppliers for their support and donation of generous door prizes.

The meeting resumed at 1:00pm with the various committee annual reports being given. This provided all members with updates from the current standing committees. Towards the end of the day three new Directors were sworn in and we certainly do welcome them aboard, they are as follows:

Robert MacPherson - Antigonish FD Gary Burke - Eel Brook FD Graham Froughton - East Pubnico FD

For further details of the AGM or for copy of specific reports contact Beth Edwards at <a href="mailto:admin@fsans.ns.ca">admin@fsans.ns.ca</a> or call (902) 833-2037.

Along with this report of the day's events are a couple of pictures taken at the AGM. Enjoy the photos and we look forward to seeing members again in the Spring at the FSANS Conference, which will be held at the Holiday Inn Convention Centre, Truro, the weekend of May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.

Best Regards,

Beth Edwards, Executive Director