



Michigan Professional **FIRE FIGHTERS UNION**

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Re: MPFFU 2014 Convention Information

Dear Local President:

The 52nd Biennial Convention of the Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union will be held on May 3-4-5, 2016 at the Edward Village Michigan Hotel in Dearborn.

Members attending this convention will determine the goals and the objectives of the Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union for the next several years. It is very important that every local is represented at this important event.

AGENDA

The convention will convene at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, and will conclude at approximately 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 5, 2016. The time that the business sessions end on Tuesday and Wednesday will be at the discretion of the President and/or the Convention delegates.

Nominations for the offices of President, Secretary-Treasurer, District Vice Presidents, and Trustees will take place on Tuesday, May 3rd. The election for all of these positions will take place on Wednesday, May 4th between the hours of 3:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Delegates will also vote on the site for the 2018 MPFFU Convention.

There will be a Welcome Reception for delegates, alternates, and registered guests on the evening of Monday, May 2, 2016 between the hours of 7pm – 9pm. The President's Reception will be held on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 from 7pm – 9pm. Lunch will be provided on Tuesday and Wednesday.

REGISTRATION

Credentials for delegates and alternates are enclosed. Please **PRINT** or **TYPE** the full name of each delegate and/or alternate who will be attending the convention. The number of delegates and alternates that your local is entitled to is listed on another page in this email. Send the registration form along with payment to the State office as soon as possible.

Locals that currently pay their per capita via the monthly auto-deduct plan can also pay their convention registration fees by this method as well. Simply contact the State office and authorize the amount and the names of those individuals you are paying for. Members may also pay with a personal check made payable to MPFFU Fire PAC or with a personal credit card. If you pay with a local Union check, it cannot be made payable to Fire PAC.

To be eligible for the early-bird registration fee of \$200 per person, your payment must be received by **March 25, 2016**.

If you register **after March 25th**, the registration fee is **\$250 per person** and must be received by **April 27, 2016**.

The **on-site** registration fee will be **\$300** per person.

All convention materials, the welcome reception on Monday, the luncheons on Tuesday and Wednesday, and the President's reception on Wednesday evening are included in the registration fee.

All MPFFU members and their spouses or guests are welcome and encouraged to attend this convention as **registered guests**. **All guests must pay the guest registration fee of \$100 which covers all of the sponsored food & beverage functions throughout the entire convention. Guest registration for just one day of the convention is \$50 per person.**

ELIGIBILITY

In order to be seated at the convention, your local must have paid its per-capita tax, in full, through the month of **March 2016**. Please check with your local's treasurer prior to your arrival at the convention to confirm that this has been done. You are also required to have a copy of your most up-to-date contract on file with the MPFFU by April 1st, 2016.

Attendees may check-in and receive their convention packets beginning on Monday, May 2nd between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Registration will resume on Tuesday, May 3rd at 7:30 a.m. **A picture ID is required to check-in** and to receive the convention packets. **You will not be allowed to pick up another members name badge for them.**

PLEASE NOTE: The DEADLINE for checking in and picking up all delegate or alternate name badges is 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 4th. Persons that have not picked up their OWN name badges by this deadline will not be allowed to take part in the convention proceedings.

RESOLUTIONS

- ❖ Resolutions must be printed or typed and signed by the person(s) introducing them.
- ❖ Resolutions received by the MPFFU office prior to April 3, 2016, will be distributed to all locals prior to the convention.
- ❖ **Resolutions will be accepted until April 28, 2016.** After this date, late resolutions which are manifestly of such a nature as to require late submission shall only be considered with the authorization of the Convention Resolutions Committee or by a majority vote of the Convention delegates.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

- ❖ The President shall select delegates for committee assignments from the list of those delegates who register prior to March 18, 2016. Please notify the MPFFU Secretary-Treasurer at tchesney@mpffu.org, if you are interested in serving on a convention committee.

HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS

- ❖ ***YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN HOTEL ROOM RESERVATIONS.***
- ❖ Hotel accommodations should be made directly with the Edward Village Hotel. To make room reservations call 313.592.3622 or you can make reservations online at hotel-dearborn.com. ***When you make your reservation, use group code 2225 to get the negotiated rate of \$130 + taxes, per room night.***
- ❖ **The deadline for hotel reservations is April 10, 2016.** Reservations received after this date will be based on availability and at the hotels prevailing room rate at that time.
- ❖ **The Edward Village Hotel** is located at 600 Town Center Dr., Dearborn, MI 48126. (former Hyatt Regency Hotel near the Fairlane Mall, Southfield/Michigan Ave area)

PROXY REGISTRATION

- ❖ Although all locals are encouraged to attend the Convention, locals may be represented, at the convention, by proxy. **If your local will not be able to attend, contact the State Union office for a proxy registration form.** There is no charge to register proxy votes.
- ❖ IF YOU WILL BE GIVING YOUR PROXY VOTES TO ANOTHER LOCAL FROM YOUR DISTRICT, YOU MUST COMPLETE THE PROXY FORM AND FAX or MAIL IT TO THE STATE OFFICE POSTMARKED BY **APRIL 22, 2016**. THE FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY THE LOCAL PRESIDENT. PROXIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IF THEY ARE POSTMARKED or FAXED AFTER THAT DATE.
- ❖ A local can only carry the proxy votes from one local.
- ❖ The Chairman of a local delegation may also cast the votes of any unregistered delegates that his/her local is entitled to.
- ❖ Proxy votes may be cast for election of officers, convention site selection, and any roll call votes taken at the convention.

In closing, please feel free to call the State office or your District Vice President if you need any assistance completing the registration form, writing resolutions or have questions about any other convention related item.

Remember, it is your participation that will help make this a productive and successful convention. Please register to attend as soon as possible.

Fraternally,

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Mark Docherty

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Terrence H. Chesney



Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union 52nd Biennial Convention

LOCAL DELEGATES & ALTERNATES

L o c a l N a m e : _____

Your Local is entitled to *____ Delegates and*____ Alternates.

Please **PRINT** the names of your delegates and alternates below and designate who your delegation Chairman is. Submit these credentials to the State office no later than March 25, 2016 to receive the early-bird registration fee of \$200 for each delegate and alternate. After March 25th the registration fee is \$250 and onsite registration will be \$300.

Delegates

Alternates

| Chairman | |
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Local President's Signature: _____

Please imprint your local union seal here

*See the attached chart for the number of delegates and alternates your local is entitled to.

| Local | Name | Delegates |
|-------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1 554 | IRON MOUNTAIN | 2 |
| 1 643 | MARQUETTE | 2 |
| 1 604 | MENOMINEE | 2 |
| | | 6 |
| 2 2 DVP | Shaun Abbey | 1 |
| 2 2451 | BELDING | 2 |
| 2 1776 | BIG RAPIDS | 2 |
| 2 4355 | BLAIR TWP | 2 |
| 2 704 | CADILLAC | 2 |
| 2 4953 | CEDAR | 2 |
| 2 4385 | CUTLERVILLE | 2 |
| 2 3901 | EGELSTON TWP | 2 |
| 2 2352 | FRUITPORT | 2 |
| 2 5086 | GLEN LAKE | 2 |
| 2 4475 | GRAND HAVEN TWP | 2 |
| 2 366 | GRAND RAPIDS | 6 |
| 2 759 | HOLLAND | 2 |
| 2 3174 | KENTWOOD | 3 |
| 2 5056 | LEELANAU TWP | 2 |
| 2 645 | MANISTEE | 2 |
| 2 370 | MUSKEGON | 3 |
| 2 615 | MUSKEGON HEIGHTS | 2 |
| 2 4132 | MUSKEGON TWP | 2 |
| 2 2559 | NORTON SHORES | 2 |
| 2 3890 | PLAINFIELD TWP | 2 |
| 2 4827 | SUTTONS BAY | 2 |
| 2 646 | TRAVERSE CITY | 2 |
| 2 2758 | WYOMING | 2 |
| | | 53 |
| 3 3 DVP | Chris Reynolds | 1 |
| N Trustee | Aileen Peltinger | 1 |
| 3 623 | ALPENA | 3 |
| 3 1859 | ALPENA TWP | 2 |
| 3 1682 | BANGOR TWP | 2 |
| 3 1435 | BAY CITY | 2 |
| 3 352 | FLINT | 5 |
| 3 1425 | FLINT TWP | 2 |
| 3 4962 | GRAND BLANC | 2 |
| 3 1831 | HAMPTON TWP | 2 |
| 3 1635 | MARYSVILLE | 2 |
| 3 1315 | MIDLAND | 3 |
| 3 504 | OWOSSO | 2 |
| 3 354 | PORT HURON | 3 |
| 3 4556 | PORT HURON TWP | 2 |
| 3 102 | SAGINAW | 3 |
| | | 37 |
| 4 Sec-Treas | Terrence Chesney | 1 |
| 4 4 DVP | Steven Heim | 1 |
| 4 E Trustee | Edward Hosmer | 1 |
| 4 1410 | ALLEN PARK | 2 |
| 4 693 | ANN ARBOR | 5 |
| 4 2003 | ANN ARBOR TWP | 2 |
| 4 4112 | BROWNSTOWN TWP | 3 |
| 4 2289 | CANTON TWP | 4 |

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| 4 412 | DEARBORN | 6 |
| 4 1355 | DEARBORN HEIGHTS | 3 |
| 4 4090 | DEXTER | 2 |
| 4 684 | ECORSE | 2 |
| 4 3233 | FRENCHTOWN TWP | 2 |
| 4 1911 | GARDEN CITY | 2 |
| 4 750 | HAMTRAMCK | 3 |
| 4 355 | HIGHLAND PARK | 2 |
| 4 1577 | INKSTER | 2 |
| 4 1292 | LINCOLN PARK | 2 |
| 4 1164 | LIVONIA | 5 |
| 4 741 | METRO AIRPORT | 4 |
| 4 326 | MONROE | 2 |
| 4 3961 | NORTHVILLE TWP | 3 |
| 4 3008 | PITTSFIELD TWP | 2 |
| 4 1496 | PLYMOUTH TWP | 2 |
| 4 1206 | REDFORD TWP | 3 |
| 4 517 | RIVER ROUGE | 2 |
| 4 4126 | ROMULUS | 2 |
| 4 4891 | SCIO TWP | 2 |
| 4 1307 | SOUTHGATE | 2 |
| 4 3292 | SUPERIOR TWP | 2 |
| 4 1252 | TAYLOR | 3 |
| 4 2701 | TRENTON | 3 |
| 4 1279 | WESTERN WAYNE | 4 |
| 4 356 | WYANDOTTE | 3 |
| 4 401 | YPSILANTI | 2 |
| 4 1830 | YPSILANTI TWP | 2 |
| | | 93 |
| 5 5 DVP | W. James Leve | 1 |
| 5 W Trustee | David Weisenberg | 1 |
| 5 1511 | ADRIAN | 2 |
| 5 335 | BATTLE CREEK | 4 |
| 5 1562 | BENTON TWP | 2 |
| 5 2555 | COLDWATER | 2 |
| 5 4174 | COVERT | 2 |
| 5 2846 | DELTA TWP | 3 |
| 5 1609 | EAST LANSING | 3 |
| 5 2627 | GRAND LEDGE | 2 |
| 5 961 | HILLSDALE | 2 |
| 5 1306 | JACKSON | 3 |
| 5 421 | LANSING | 6 |
| 5 2258 | LANSING TWP | 2 |
| 5 4225 | MADISON TWP | 2 |
| 5 1929 | MARSHALL | 2 |
| 5 1600 | MERIDIAN TWP | 3 |
| 5 2317 | NILES | 2 |
| 5 2428 | NILES TWP | 2 |
| 5 2588 | PENNFIELD TWP | 2 |
| 5 1467 | PORTAGE | 3 |
| 5 2658 | SOUTH HAVEN | 2 |
| 5 1670 | ST JOSEPH | 2 |
| 5 722 | STURGIS | 2 |
| 5 1639 | SUMMIT TWP | 2 |
| 5 3102 | THREE RIVERS | 2 |
| | | 61 |

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| 6 President | Mark Docherty | 1 |
| 6 6 DVP | Matthew Sahr | 1 |
| 6 5053 | ARMADA TWP | 2 |
| 6 4404 | AUBURN HILLS | 2 |
| 6 911 | BIRMINGHAM | 2 |
| 6 3045 | BLOOMFIELD TWP | 4 |
| 6 4076 | BRUCE TWP | 2 |
| 6 4011 | CHESTERFIELD TWP | 2 |
| 6 1381 | CLINTON TWP | 4 |
| 6 2154 | COMMERCE TWP | 2 |
| 6 1561 | EASTPOINTE | 2 |
| 6 2659 | FARMINGTON HILLS | 3 |
| 6 812 | FERNDAL | 2 |
| 6 1188 | HARPER WOODS | 2 |
| 6 1737 | HARRISON TWP | 2 |
| 6 1414 | HAZEL PARK | 2 |
| 6 5023 | MACOMB TWP | 2 |
| 6 1357 | MADISON HEIGHTS | 3 |
| 6 838 | MT CLEMENS | 2 |
| 6 3232 | NOVI | 3 |
| 6 4918 | OAKLAND TWP | 2 |
| 6 4763 | OXFORD TWP | 2 |
| 6 3472 | ROCHESTER HILLS | 3 |
| 6 1614 | ROSEVILLE | 3 |
| 6 431 | ROYAL OAK | 4 |
| 6 1338 | SHELBY TWP | 4 |
| 6 1029 | SOUTHFIELD | 5 |
| 6 1744 | ST CLAIR SHORES | 3 |
| 6 1557 | STERLING HEIGHTS | 5 |
| 6 1383 | WARREN | 6 |
| 6 3299 | WASHINGTON TWP | 2 |
| 6 1721 | WEST BLOOMFIELD TW | 5 |
| | | 89 |
| | Total Delegates | 339 |

Delegate and Alternate representation at the Convention is based on the average monthly membership of a Local during the 2015 calendar year. Any fraction of .5 or higher resulting from this calculation is rounded up to the next whole number.

- Locals with 25 members or less shall be entitled to two (2) delegates and alternates
- Locals with a membership of 26 to 50 shall be entitled to three (3) delegates and alternates
- Locals with a membership of 51 to 75 shall be entitled to four (4) delegates and alternates.
- Locals with a membership of 76-100 shall be entitled to five (5) delegates and alternates.
- Locals with a membership of 101-400 shall be entitled to six (6) delegates and alternates.
- Locals with a membership of 401 or more shall be entitled to seven (7) delegates and alternates.