

January 2, 2020

Re: MPFFU 2020 Convention Information

Dear Local President:

The 54th Biennial Convention of the Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union will be held on April 28-29-30, 2020 at the Amway Grand Plaza Curio Collection by Hilton, in Grand Rapids.

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

AGENDA

The convention will officially begin at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 and will conclude no later than 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, 2020. The business sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday will begin at 9:00 am and end at 5:00 pm unless changed by a vote of the Convention delegates.

Nominations for the offices of President, Secretary-Treasurer, District Vice Presidents, and Trustees will take place on Tuesday, April 28th. The election for these positions will take place on Wednesday, April 29th at approximately 4:00 p.m.

There will be a **Welcome Reception** for delegates, alternates, and registered guests on Monday, April 27th between the hours of 7:00 pm-9:00 pm. The **Presidents Reception** will be held from 7:00 pm-10:00 pm on Wednesday, April 29th.

REGISTRATION

[The online credential form for delegates, alternates, and guests is found here.](#) Please complete your registration with the full name of each delegate, alternate, and guest 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 attachment. **Please complete and submit the registration form as soon as possible.** Payment can be made at a later date. (see below) Email tchesney@mpffu.org or call 734-675-0206 if you have any questions.

[Register delegates, alternates, and guests online by clicking here.](#)

PAYMENT

To be eligible for the early-bird registration fee of \$200 for each delegate and alternate, payment must be received by March 27, 2020. If you pay after March 27th, the registration fee is \$250 per person.

All convention materials, the Welcome Reception, lunch on Tuesday and Wednesday, refreshment breaks, and the President's Reception on Wednesday evening are included in the registration fee.

Locals that currently pay their per capita via the **monthly auto-deduct plan** can pay the convention registration fee by this method as well. Simply contact the State Office by phone or email, authorize the amount and provide us with the names of those individuals you are paying for.

Members may also [pay here with a credit card](#), or by a check made payable to MPFFU FIRE PAC. Union checks should be made payable to MPFFU.

GUESTS

Other MPFFU members, spouses, or other guests of MPFFU members may only attend the convention activities as **registered guests**.

All guests must pay the guest registration fee of \$130, which covers all sponsored food & beverage functions throughout the entire convention. Guest registration for just one day of the convention is \$60 per person.

CHECKING-IN AT THE CONVENTION

In order to be seated at the convention, your local must have paid its per-capita tax, in full, through the month of **March 2020**. Please check with your local's treasurer prior to your arrival at the convention to confirm that this has been done.

Attendees may check-in and receive their own name badges beginning on Monday, April 27th between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Registration and check-in will resume on Tuesday, April 28th at 7:30 a.m.

A picture ID is required to check-in and to receive your name badge. You will not be allowed to check-in or pick-up name badges for other delegates or alternates.

PLEASE NOTE: The DEADLINE for checking in and picking up all delegate or alternate name badges is 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 28th. Persons that have not picked up their OWN name badges by this deadline will not be allowed to take part in the convention proceedings or the elections.

RESOLUTIONS

- ❖ Resolutions must be printed legibly or typed and include the name of the person(s) introducing them. Email resolutions to tchesney@mpffu.org.
- ❖ **Resolutions will be accepted until April 17, 2020.** After this date, only resolutions that are clearly of such a nature as to require late submission shall be considered for action. Acceptance of any resolution after April 17th will require **unanimous** approval 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 27, 2020. Please send an email to 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 reservations should be made directly with the Amway Hotel by calling 800-253-3590. Make sure you *tell them that you are attending the Michigan Professional Fire Fighter's Convention. (code: MPFFU)* You can also make your reservations online. [Use this link](#) to get the negotiated rate of \$149 + taxes, per room night.
- ❖ The deadline for hotel reservations is March 27, 2020. After this date, rooms and/or our group rate may not be available at this hotel.

❖ ***Cancellation Policy: All reservations must be cancelled at least 48 hours prior to the date of expected arrival to avoid a cancellation fee.***

PROXY REGISTRATION

- ❖ Although all locals are encouraged to attend the Convention, locals may be represented at the convention by a proxy vote. **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 mail it to the state office **postmarked by March 27, 2020. Proxies will not be accepted if they are postmarked after that date.**
- ❖ You can also send the proxy form by email to tchesney@mpffu.org or by fax to 734-571-5954. The proxy form must be sent by March 27th.
- ❖ A local can only carry the proxy votes from one local within their district.
- ❖ The Chairman of a local delegation may cast the votes of any unregistered delegates that the 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.

CLOSING

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 items.

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

District	Local	2019 average	Delegates
1	Iron Mountain Local 554	7.00	2
1	Marquette Local 643	25.00	3
1	Menominee Local 604	11.92	2
			7
2	Belding Local 2451	3.00	2
2	Big Rapids Local 1776	7.50	2
2	Blair Twp Local 4355	8.67	2
2	Cadillac Local 704	9.33	2
2	Cedar Local 4953	5.00	2
2	Cutlerville Local 4385	6.00	2
2	Egelston Twp Local 3901	5.00	2
2	Fruitport Local 2352	8.00	2
2	Glen Lake Local 5086	10.92	2
2	Grand Haven Twp Local 4475	6.00	2
2	Grand Rapids Local 366	185.83	6
2	Holland Local 759	19.00	2
2	Kentwood Local 3174	37.25	3
2	Leelanau Twp Local 5056	7.58	2
2	Leland Twp Local 5120	5.83	2
2	Manistee Local 645	7.67	2
2	Muskegon Hts Local 615	11.25	2
2	Muskegon Local 370	25.42	3
2	Muskegon Twp Local 4132	9.92	2
2	Norton Shores Local 2559	22.67	2
2	Peninsula Twp Local 5096	5.92	2
2	Plainfield Twp Local 3890	9.00	2
2	Suttons Bay-Bingham	8.17	2
2	Traverse City Local 646	21.67	2
2	Wyoming Local 2758	27.50	3
			57
3	Alpena Local 623	26.33	3
3	Alpena Twp Local 1859	6.00	2
3	Bangor Twp Local 1682	12.92	2
3	Bay City Local 116	16.75	2
3	Flint Local 352	87.92	5
3	Flint Twp Local 1425	10.83	2
3	Grand Blanc Local 4962	4.00	2
3	Marysville Local 1635	9.00	2
3	Midland Local 1315	44.00	3
3	Owosso Local 504	17.50	2
3	Port Huron Local 354	34.75	3
3	Saginaw Local 102	36.42	3
			31
4	Allen Park Local 1410	24.00	2
4	Ann Arbor Local 693	78.67	5

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4	Ann Arbor Twp Local 2003	5.58	2
4	Brownstown Twp Local 4112	30.33	3
4	Canton Twp Local 2289	68.00	4
4	Dearborn Hts Local 1355	58.17	4
4	Dearborn Local 412	143.00	6
4	Dexter Local 4090	9.00	2
4	Ecorse Local 684	11.00	2
4	Frenchtown Twp Local 3233	19.50	2
4	Garden City Local 1911	18.50	2
4	Hamtramck Local 750	27.17	3
4	Highland Park Local 355	15.92	2
4	Inkster Local 1577	22.25	2
4	Lincoln Park Local 1292	18.92	2
4	Livonia Local 1164	82.83	5
4	Metro Airport Local 741	68.00	4
4	Monroe Local 326	16.17	2
4	Northville Twp Local 3961	29.25	3
4	Pittsfield Twp Local 3008	25.00	3
4	Plymouth Twp Local 1496	26.33	3
4	Redford Twp Local 1206	41.92	3
4	Romulus Local 4126	17.33	2
4	Saline Local 5119	7.33	2
4	Scio Twp Local 4891	8.75	2
4	Southgate Local 1307	25.17	3
4	Superior Twp Local 3292	11.50	2
4	Taylor Local 1252	43.08	3
4	Trenton Local 2701	24.75	3
4	Wayne Local 1620	15.25	2
4	Westland Local 1279	60.75	4
4	Wyandotte Local 356	28.25	3
4	Ypsilanti Local 401	18.00	2
4	Ypsilanti Twp Local 1830	25.67	3
			97
5	Adrian Local 1511	14.25	2
5	Battle Creek Local 335	73.67	4
5	Benton Twp Local 1562	10.58	2
5	Coldwater Local 2555	12.50	2
5	Covert Twp Local 4174	5.75	2
5	Delta Twp Local 2846	39.67	3
5	East Lansing Local 1609	47.92	3
5	Grand Ledge Local 2627	9.50	2
5	Hillsdale Local 961	3.00	2
5	Lansing Local 421	184.17	6
5	Lansing Twp Local 2258	13.75	2
5	Madison Twp Local 4225	8.00	2
5	Marshall Local 1929	6.83	2
5	Meridian Twp Local 1600	32.00	3

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5	Niles Local 2317	10.08	2
5	Niles Twp Local 2428	6.00	2
5	Oshkemo Twp Local 5240	15.00	2
5	Pennfield Twp Local 2588	2.83	2
5	Portage Local 1467	32.58	3
5	South Haven Local 2658	14.08	2
5	St Joseph Local 1670	4.42	2
5	Sturgis Local 722	9.08	2
5	Summit Jackson Local 1306	36.00	3
5	Three Rivers Local 3102	12.00	2
			59
6	Armada Twp Local 5053	6.08	2
6	Auburn Hills Local 4404	22.25	2
6	Birmingham Local 911	28.17	3
6	Bloomfield Twp Local 3045	58.50	4
6	Bruce Romeo Local 4076	14.33	2
6	Chesterfield Twp Local 4011	17.33	2
6	Clinton Twp Local 1381	69.58	4
6	Commerce Twp Local 2154	24.58	3
6	Eastpointe Local 1561	21.50	2
6	Farmington Hills Local 2659	50.50	4
6	Ferndale Local 812	20.67	2
6	Harper Woods Local 1188	7.50	2
6	Harrison Twp Local 1737	24.17	2
6	Hazel Park Local 1414	17.83	2
6	Independence Twp Local 2629	25.58	3
6	Macomb Twp Local 5023	27.00	3
6	Madison Hts Local 1357	23.00	2
6	Mt Clemens Local 838	11.58	2
6	Novi Local 3232	27.50	3
6	Oakland Twp Local 4918	7.00	2
6	Oxford Local 4763	15.08	2
6	Rochester Hills Local 3472	43.58	3
6	Rochester Local 5234	15.00	2
6	Roseville Local 1614	40.50	3
6	Royal Oak Local 431	53.25	4
6	Shelby Twp Local 1338	66.92	4
6	Southfield Local 1029	87.33	5
6	St Clair Shores Local 1744	48.67	3
6	Sterling Hts Local 1557	95.83	5
6	W Bloomfield Twp Local 1721	87.25	5
6	Warren Local 1383	120.58	6
6	Washington Twp. Local 3232	27.50	3
			96
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