

International Association of Black Professional Firefighters, Inc. North Central Region

May 14th, 2025

North Central Region Report

Peace and Blessings Brothers and Sisters,

I hope that this report finds you in good health and spirits. Since the last convention, we have continued to try to increase our chapters/member information updated within the region while still attempting to add chapters along with hoping to bridge the communication to past financial chapters. At this time we have 9 Chapters and 10th beginning hopefully within the next few months.

August 2024

 During the 2024 IABPFF, Inc. convention we was unable to establish a quorum to conduct official business but we had a meeting so we could inform all that was able to make it about the info and links for the upcoming 2025 Regional conference with links for the hotel and registration while sending the info to those who wasn't in attendance. This was so we could get info out to our members in a timely manner.

January 2025

- With the upcoming regional conference I sent correspondence to President
 Tinney about a request for the NCR conference and an executive member being
 in attendance and never received a response.
- During the monthly Directors meeting we were made aware of the 2025
 Executive meeting dates and time, without the full Executive board input.
 - Also a request to see the contract.
- After receiving the contract I and others had questions about it and at that time I
 requested a meeting of the entire Executive Board so we may make an informed
 decision about the contract.
 - Contract was signed in December 2024 by President Tinney
 - Request for meeting Unanswered by President Tinney
- Had a E Board President Meeting with NCR Chapters that President Tinney and VP Wilson attended and addressed the region. After we continued our meeting to

get updates about rosters while reminding everyone if they haven't sent payments and rosters please get them in as soon as possible. Along with getting updates on upcoming Regional conference in St. Paul,MN.

February 2025

- Monthly Directors Meeting
 - Told us it will be no meeting about the contract but we needed to Vote on the contract that was signed in Dec. 2024

March 2025

- Monthly Directors Meeting
- NCR E-Board President Meeting

April 2025

- IABPFF, Inc Executive Meeting
 - Motion was put to the floor for \$50 Registration fee for attendees and approved by Majority w/ some abstains. Also no set requirement where the funds will be used.
- Monthly Directors Meeting
 - Topic of also charging guests of attendees. And was brought to the attention that if we are charging members then guests should also be charged since they are able to utilize food also and it will play a part of cost during the Executive council meeting.

May 2025

- Our 2025 Regional Conference in St. Paul, MN hosted by Firefighters United of St. Paul, MN was a great success, while giving us the opportunity to come together to fellowship while handling business.
- And during the Conference:
 - Mahlon Mitchell District Vice President of IAFF 5th District spoke during opening ceremony
 - Jane Elliott was Keynote speaker at our luncheon
 - Director Elections
 - Director Tony Jones Jr Re-Elected
 - `Appointed New Eboard Members
 - 1st Vice Director Brittney Baker
 - Sgt-At-Arms Kelvin Woods
 - Updated Constitution Bylaws
 - Gave out a \$500 Scholarship to Kelvin Woods from CAFA
 - Award to President Rucker and the Minneapolis African American Professional Firefighters Association for most Registered Delegates in Attendance.

- o Had a Great Successful Community Outreach Event
- President Baker and Firefighters United planned, executed, succeeded in delivering an Awesome, Learning and Eventful Regional Conference.
- o 2026 CAFA will be hosting the IABPFF, Inc. Convention
- 2027 Phoenix of Detroit will be hosting the NCR next Regional Conference.

The North Central Region as a whole has been doing well, while still having some of the same issues and concerns as others around the country. We will continue to keep the fight going and any issues or concerns we will promptly and efficiently handle as they are brought to our attention.

Thank you,

Tony Jones Jr.

IABPFF, Inc. North Central Regional

Director