

SHARING A STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE



Time for Restructuring!

The Board of Directors for the Oregon Fire Service Office Administrators is excited to announce some positive reorganization of our events! The driving force behind much of the restructuring has come about after conversations with the membership, event surveys, and our recent Strategic Plan update survey.

At our 3rd Quarter Board Meeting, the Board unanimously approved the creation of an Event Planning Committee. The Committee will be in charge of planning two events per year for the membership. The driving force behind this new idea is to give the membership opportunities that don't exist with the current format. The four-person Committee will be led by The Event Planning Chair, Diane Nave. The Board is soliciting committee members to join this team. If you have great organizational skills, and a desire to plan events, please go online and review the position description, download and submit an interest form. The Committee will be appointed this summer to be in-line by the Fall Conference!

Our events are also transforming! Currently the organization holds training twice a year (April and October) usually during the third week of the month. A day and half of training in April and two and a half days in October. We are modifying those sessions to be scheduled during the first two weeks in both May and October with a consistent schedule of two days of education at each event. We will be dedicating a portion of each event to networking with our members. The Event Planning Committee will be working to secure four to five venues throughout the State to host the events. The organization has grown, and as fun as it is to visit all of your fire stations, we are just getting too big to hold an event comfortably within a fire station, and provide consistency to you as members and attendees!

The Board will be doing some financial forecasting to see how the restructuring will affect the pricing of our events, but are hopeful that any increases would likely not take affect until 2021 thanks to some amazing donations received from DPSST and the Office of State Fire Marshal. We will of course keep you informed, and give you plenty of notice regarding any adjustments.

The Board feels that the newly-designed event concept will be jam-packed with quality educational sessions and networking opportunities with a consistency that will inspire our members' personal and professional growth. As administrative professionals, we have a pulse on the most relevant and important trends that affect our Districts. We are often required to have leadership and technology skills, along with higher-level communications, critical thinking and interpersonal skills. We want OFSOA's events to provide all our members with the tools to empower and influence every aspect of your jobs and inspire you to come back for more! We want our events to be interactive and inclusive!

Please stay tuned for more information and announcements regarding Committee selections and upcoming event information.

Questions???

If you would like clarification on anything or have questions, please reach out to me via email at president@ofsoa.com, and please go check out the position description for the Event Planning Committee and send in your interest form.