



SOLANO COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes

Meeting

Date: May 5, 2016
10:30 a.m.

Meeting Called By: Tony Velasquez, President

Location: Cordelia Fire Protection District

Attendees: Chief Tony Velasquez, Deputy Chief Steve Trepagnier, Battalion Chief Matt Luckenbach, Chief Jim Lydon, Don Ryan (Solano OES), Chief Howard Wood, Assistant Chief Jeff Johnson, Chief Joe Rosewall, Assistant Chief John Salvate, Chief Kris Concepcion, Chief John Speakman, Chief Aaron McAlister, Chief Jack McArthur, Chief Keith Martin, Chief Mike O'Brien

Call to Order:

Time: 1115 hours

Introductions: None

Presentations: None

Approval of Minutes: April 7, 2016 – Minutes Approved

Treasurer's Report (Chief Concepcion):

- The transition hasn't taken place yet. Chief O'Brien gave report. See attached.
- Motion to approve the report by Chief Lydon, seconded by Chief Speakman. Motion Approved.
- Chief O'Brien and Chief Concepcion will be meeting next Thursday to make the transition.

Communications: None

Additions to Agenda: None

Old Business:

- Website
 - Josh Chadwick is getting everything he needs. This is moving forward. Josh is looking for some pictures from the different agencies to put on the Website.
- Grants
 - The analyst group met yesterday and they discussed grants. They wanted to check in on the money for the USAR Team and for the CERT Team. The USAR

money is set aside for equipment and they are working on getting it spent. This is a reminder that money is available for the CERT team to use.

New Business:

- SEMSC Update
 - We were finally recognized as stake holders.
 - We made it clear that we don't want to have stake holder meetings the day before the decision needs to be made.
 - There was a good presentation given by Medic Ambulance on the Community Paramedic Pilot Program.
 - Chief McAlister noted that he appreciated the Vallejo City Managers comment on the budget.
 - Chief McArthur wanted to thank the agencies that stood with us.
 - Chief Lydon noted that the EMS agency should be responsible for getting the agendas out to the stake holders.
 - We are working on establishing a good working relationship with EMS.

Brief Updates:

- Retreat Work Plan (Chief Velasquez)
 - Next month's meeting will be with the Operations Group. We will go over the work plan.
 - Chief Lydon and Chief Concepcion had a meeting with the USAR team last week. They directed to team to come up with proposal establishing the mission of the team and to put together a proposal on what type of equipment or other needs they have. They will bring this proposal forward to present to the chiefs. They should have it completed in about a month. They also talked about a training plan and training records. They were assured that the chiefs are taking their concerns seriously and making sure they will be addressed.

Roundtable:

Benicia – Discussed training options.

Solano County OES - River Delta will be transferred over on May 16th at 1:00 p.m. Anyone interested in more information about this can contact Don Ryan. Public Health will be sending out an official letter about the Ebola protocols being suspended.

Vacaville Fire Protection District – Cold Canyon will re-open on May 15th.

Cal Fire – They are working on an agreement with Sacramento Regional and Contra Costa for dispatching to a small area of SLR land over near Rio Vista. Burning restriction are going to be coming out soon. Chief Belyea has been promoted to a division chief position at headquarters. The battalion chief position is available. Forty percent of their captains are brand new this month. Most of them will be type 2 captains. They have exhausted their entire captains list and still have vacancies. Thank You to the agencies that supported the resolution to create Wildland Awareness. Cal fire will now be responsible for acting as state fire marshal to approve any new buildings and do inspection on SRA Land. They will still be working with county and city building officials. Fire Season officially opens on May 23rd. They currently have one single engine covered in all the stations, two fuel crews are currently working, and copter 104 is available. The air attack and air tankers will come on board pretty quickly. They have a new unit chief (Shauna Jones).

OES – The salary rate letters are out now. Volunteer agencies also need to sign this letter.

Vacaville – Gary Mahlberg has been promoted to Battalion Chief. The Deputy Chief recruitment is out now. They are hoping to start that position in October. Station 75 is still on time to open. They will start staffing it on May 16th. The station dedication will be on June 15th at 1030. Chief Concepcion handed out their annual report.

Dixon – Chief McAlister will have the mutual aid matrix distributed next week. There will be a region two meeting next week.

Cordelia – They will be pulling themselves off the mutual aid list. They are having trouble getting people to back fill shifts, therefore they cannot commit resources to responding mutual aid. They usually cover station 35 on automatic aid. On the days that they only have two people on the engine they may not be able to cover. There is a new bill that is going to the commission for public comment in July. This bill would make changes to Title 8. See attached. The suggestion was made to bring the PPE rep in to discuss this bill. The decision was made not to go forward with having the PPE rep do a presentation until later. They are still working on their living quarters. Both stations are living out of the main station right now.

Suisun – They should have their Hi-Tech Engine by next week.

Fairfield – They have started to up staff the brush unit, right now engine they are running it as a second Engine. Their First Responder Fee was approved. Their management analyst attended an OES workshop that stated we have to have recovery plan in place that is signed off by FEMA.

Next Meeting: June 2, 2016 – Vallejo Fire Department (675 Curtola Way)

PLEASE NOTE: This meeting will be with the Operations Committee, NO-SUB Committee reports will be given.