

KING COUNTY FIRE TRAINING OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2011

Valley Regional Fire Authority

MEMBERS & GUESTS:

* Kevin Anderson	Renton Fire	Michele Plorde	King County EMS
* Elenjo Schaff	Eastside Fire	Patty Ousley	King County EMS
* Mark Adler	KCFD #2 Burien	Barbara Welles	King County EMS
John Bridenbaugh	Mercer Island Fire	Susan Kolwitz	King County EMS
Keith Kreiger	Shoreline Fire	Dave Larberg	Valley Regional Fire
Tim Dahl	Shoreline Fire	Todd Reynolds	Snoqualmie Fire
Don Brassard	Enumclaw Fire	JC Smith	Labor & Industries
Greg Schipper	Enumclaw Fire	Mark Musch	Northshore Fire
Greg Ahearn	Woodinville Fire		
Gary Sacha	Tukwila Fire		

* Executive Board Member

The March meeting was called to order by Vice President Kevin Anderson at 0905 at the Valley Regional Fire Authority in Auburn. A welcome and a roundtable introduction was done, followed by the traditional flag salute.

VRFA Training Officer, Dave Larberg welcomed the members and informed them of the station's logistics.

MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made by Keith Kreiger and seconded by Gary Sacha to accept the February meeting minutes as disseminated by Elenjo Schaff, E-Board Secretary. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Mark Adler reported the bank statements hadn't arrived in time to do a financial report for February, but the January report is as follows:

	<u>Checking</u>	<u>Savings</u>
Beginning Balance (01/01/11)	\$24,082.23	\$45,363.00
Deposits	\$ 6,535.00	
Withdrawals	\$ 3,681.88	
Interest Earned	\$ 0.20	\$ 3.60
Ending Balance (01/31/11)	\$26,935.55	\$45,366.60

Grand Total: \$72,302.15

A motion was made by John Bridenbaugh and seconded by Gary Sacha to accept the Treasurer's report for January as read. Motion carried.

Mark Also reported there are a few agencies that haven't paid their annual dues to date. If you were interested in knowing about your department, see him during the break.

CHIEFS' REPORT:

Chief Randy Krause was not present to report due to being in Assistant Chief Interviews for his department.

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GUEST SPEAKER(S):

There were no guest speakers this month. If anyone has ideas or recommendations for speakers, please be sure to contact one of the E-Board Members.

AFFILIATE REPORTS:

KING COUNTY EOM:

No one was present to report.

KING COUNTY EMS:

Patty Ousley reported the EMT Class started their lectures on Tuesday, and will be having their first practical session on Saturday.

Patty introduced Michele Plorde, who has been the Interim Director for King County EMS. Michele disseminated an updated version of the 2010 EMT Task Force Plan. She reported the objective for this committee was to create options for decreasing the cost of the EMT training. Options included: cost sharing in different ways, college courses, and status quo. After an extensive discussion, Michele asked that training officers give their preference and vote at the next meeting, and especially looking at the Hybrid Option. After getting an idea from this group she will be taking the plan to the Chiefs'. There isn't an institution plan or deadline, but tentatively 2012 will be the target date.

Next Patty introduced Barbara Welles, who is the "CPR Guru." Barbara spoke to the department about Public Access Defibrillators (PAD) placed in communities. She noted that some departments indicated they haven't received updated reports about new units being placed in their response area. She noted there is a report that goes out quarterly, and she has one for 07/01/10 - 12/31/10 available to departments having new placements. This information is also given to Dispatch Centers for their premise information. Barbara continued by informing members that it is a State Law that PADs need to be registered. The RCW 70.54.310 Semiautomatic external defibrillator--Duty of acquirer--Immunity from civil liability has 5 steps and included in the 5th step is the good Samaritan under RCW 4.24.300. (1998 c 150 § 1)

Barbara relayed another update in that when BLS (CPR) Instructors do the "Update" this is NOT a renewal of their Instructor Certification. Those are two separate issues.

Susan Kolwitz announced there will be an update to the "Blue" Patient Care Protocol book for the CPR and Cardiac Arrest algorithm (pages 60-61 and 70-72). These will be able to be attached to the pages. They will be sending these updates in the mail to the departments. The Protocol book version isn't as extensive as the online version, but is to be used as reference.

LABOR & INDUSTRIES:

J.C. Smith reported and has since corrected what he knew at this time about the standard:

- ✓ January 10, 2011 this rule was to be adopted 2-15-11 and effective 4-1-11. (Not going to happen)
- ✓ Then Governor Gregoire's directive was supposed to put all new rule-making on hold. But the ones that were already approved were going to be passed on. (Didn't happen)

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- ✓ There is a meeting this Friday that is going to make a new decision on its status, and I have been advised that if it passes the new effective date will be January 2012. (Might happen)

The adopted version has not been released, but as soon as he is able to get a copy, JC will send out the latest version.

He continued by reporting on "Explosive Storage" criteria. If an agency is going to store explosives, they are required to notify the fire department. This was adopted on 2/1/11. If the agency isn't in compliance, they can be cited by L & I.

In addition, JC reported another change regarding "Means of Emergency Egress" requirements. The ceiling height requirement is now 7'6" and this rule goes into effect on April 1, 2011.

REGION IV:

Mark Adler indicated they have funds available for training. If anyone has a class they would be interested in hosting and make available to the three counties, please contact Mark for information on how to apply for this grant money.

STATE FIRE TRAINING & SAFETY OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION:

Bob Jones was not present to report.

WA STATE FIRE SERVICE TRAINING:

Bob Jones was not present to report.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY TRAINING OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION:

Kirk Galatas was not present to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADVANCED PUMP OPERATOR ACADEMY COMMITTEE:

Neither Dick Breitenbach or anyone from the Committee was present to report. The Spring Academy is full, but there is also the Fall Academy.

(Committee Members: Dick Breitenbach, Chair, Bob Jones, Gary Sacha, Bill Evans, John Keffer and Pat Hund)

AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Keith Kreiger reported the committee met with Cindy, with Elenjo's assistance, to review the books. The bottom line is that Cindy does a very nice job of documenting things. The only items they had recommendations for her to strive to achieve were:

- Control on vouchers and indicate when one is void to avoid duplication of numbers.
- Where we purchased inventory (props for academies) we needed to know where they were being stored and need to keep a closer watch on those items.
- We need a budget and recordkeeping program that will give a current and up to the minute view of each line item (academy/class) status.

(Committee Members: Randy Krause, Chiefs' Representative, Keith Kreiger, and Kevin Body along with Cindy McMahan by default)

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EXTRICATION ACADEMY COMMITTEE:

Kevin Anderson reported for Mark Seaver that there is a wait list for the Extrication Academy.
(Committee Members: Mark Seaver, Ken Knott, Bob Jones)

LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM:

Mark Musch didn't have anything new to report, but was still planning to talk to Kirk Galatas to see about consolidation with Snohomish County's Fall Seminar.
(Committee Members: Mark Musch, Greg Bawden, Tim Dahl)

ODA COMMITTEE:

Elenjo Schaff reported in Cari's absence. The last monthly meeting had been cancelled, but the next major project the committee will be working on is the procedures for developing a percentage score for the college to use in the grading system for credits.

She continued to report the first ODA class held the week before was the Leadership & Supervision Class with Chief Krause at Shoreline Fire. There have been great evaluations received on his presentation and the committee received an email from a very satisfied student. Gary Sacha added to this by reporting that Chief Krause had very high comments on the Leadership class at the State Conference.

(Committee Members: Cari Coll, Elenjo Schaff, Mark Risen, Kevin Body, Kevin Anderson, Roy Brewer and by Bylaw Default: Cindy McMahan and Mark Adler)

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:

Elenjo Schaff reported for this committee. Another partial ODA scholarship was granted to Brian Gomez from Bellevue Fire. This was the second scholarship granted for 2011.

(Committee Members: Elenjo Schaff, Greg Schipper, Gary Sacha and Ron Wick)

TRUCK ACADEMY COMMITTEE:

Mark Musch reported this academy has been scheduled with Ed Hatfield and is scheduled for May 9th through 13th and will be held at Bellevue Fire Training Center. The registration is available online.

(Committee Members: Mark Musch, Bill Evans, and Keith Kreiger)

WEBSITE COMMITTEE:

Vice President Kevin Anderson didn't have anything new to report.

(Committee Members: Cindy McMahan and the Executive Board - overseer is the Vice President according to Bylaws)

PURCHASES OF THE MONTH:

No one had any new purchases to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

There wasn't any New Business to discuss.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Gary Sacha reported he's been in Training 8 years, and he complimented the Training Officers' Association on being a great influence in his life and career. He said that most "movers and shakers" come from this Association. With this information, he said after 40 years in the fire service, he was going to retire. His final recommendation to anyone new to their training divisions was to get involved with the KCFTOA. This will be his last meeting.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Gary Sacha and seconded by John Bridenbaugh to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned.

INSPIRATIONAL NOTE:

"What we accomplish in a day depends upon the way we approach our tasks. When we accept tough jobs as a challenge and wade into them with joy and enthusiasm, miracles can happen. When we do our work with a dynamic conquering spirit, we get things done!"

~ Arland Gilbert



NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Thursday, April 7, 2011
0900 Start Time

Seattle Fire - Joint Training Center
9401 Myers Way South
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