

KING COUNTY FIRE TRAINING OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2012

South King Fire & Rescue

MEMBERS & GUESTS:

* Cari Coll	Vashon Island Fire	Bill Larson	Bellevue Fire
* Elenjo Schaff	Eastside Fire	Greg Ahearn	Woodinville Fire
* Kevin Anderson	Renton Fire	Kevin Body	South King Fire
Greg Baruso	Port of Seattle Fire	Roy Brewer	South King Fire
Rick Kruckenberg	Port of Seattle Fire	John Bridenbaugh	Mercer Island Fire
Steve Taylor	Shoreline Fire	James Smith	Labor & Industries
Parry Boogard	Valley Regional Fire	Rick Beutler	Labor & Industries
Greg Schipper	Enumclaw Fire	Bryon Byrne	King County EMS
Ron Walsh	Eastside Fire	Kam Cayce	Boeing Fire
* Executive Board Member			

The March monthly meeting was called to order by President Cari Coll at South King Fire & Rescue at 0910. A welcome was extended to members and guests, followed by the traditional flag salute and roundtable introduction.

MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made by Greg Schipper and seconded by Bill Larson to accept the February meeting minutes as disseminated by Elenjo Schaff. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The January financial statement was read by Secretary Elenjo Schaff in Treasurer Ron Wick's absence as follows:

<u>November Financial Statement:</u>	<u>Checking</u>	<u>Savings</u>
Beginning Balance (1/1/2012)	\$37,721.55	\$45,388.93
Deposits	\$ 345.30	
Withdrawals	\$ 2,917.36	
Interest Earned	\$ 0.30	\$ 1.92
Ending Balance (1/31/2012)	\$ 35,149.49	\$45,390.85

Grand Total: \$80,540.34

A motion was made by John Bridenbaugh to accept the treasurer's report as read by Elenjo Schaff. Following a second from Parry Boogard, the motion passed.

The February bank statement hadn't been received in time to report.

CHIEFS' REPORT:

Chief Randy Krause wasn't present and no notification was received of a new Chiefs' Representative assignment.

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GUEST SPEAKER(S):

- ❖ Rick Beutler, Region 2 Consultation Supervisor from Labor and Industries, was substituting for Jim Voss who had a family emergency and wasn't able to attend. Rick spoke to the members regarding High Voltage Power Lines. Following his presentation, he showed samples of what hot electrical wires can do to asphalt, and also demonstrated some of the various equipment used for testing live wires. A lengthy discussion ensued. Out of the discussion one suggestion was to use red Danger tape instead of the yellow Fire Line tape for more distinction and restricted area designator. When asked who was in charge of such scenes, Rick responded: first the power company is in charge of the downed line, but primarily L & I protects the worker while fire departments protect the community.

Thank you to JC Smith for making the arrangements for Rick to speak to our group.

Rick's contact information is as follows:

Rick Beutler, Safety Consultation Supervisor
Division of Occupational Safety and Health
Department of Labor & Industries
12806 Gateway Drive S
Tukwila, WA 98168
Phone: 206-835-1146
Email: beuf235@lni.wa.gov

AFFILIATE REPORTS:

KING COUNTY EOM:

No one was present to report for this group.

KING COUNTY EMS:

Elenjo Schaff introduced Byron Byrne from King County EMS to the membership. Byron was in BLS Training back in the days when Elenjo started with KC EMS and it is good to have him back in that capacity. Byron informed the members he is the External Affairs Officer and will be the fire service liaison as resource and advocate with the reorganization process. In addition, he also has a couple other responsibilities to oversee.

Byron explained there are two sections now and they are:

- Training (BLS, EMT)
- Production (EMS Online)

King County EMS is in the process of interviewing four to six candidates to fill a new position of Professional Standards Manager who will oversee both sections.

Other items Byron reported on are as follows:

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- The “Blue Books” otherwise known as the Patient Care Protocols are at the printers and will be distributed in batches when that process is completed. They are also working on providing a downloadable phone application version.
- The Spring EMT Class started with 25 students and is being held at Woodinville Fire. He reported they are reworking the class structure with the focus being quality of instruction and outcome results. Instructors will be going through three workshops to have consistency in training. They also will be doing some basic skills videos, which will also be available to the fire departments. The Protocol Book will now be incorporated in the EMT Class though they will still have to teach to meet needs of the student to pass the National Registry examination. With this new format, the student will need to prepare before each class and will have to do some online training. They also are encouraging students to ride along with the crews and medics for observation time. One of the other changes is they are going to be teaching students the Initial Defib with the equipment their affiliated department uses. If anyone has questions about their student or other class information, the Lead Senior EMT Instructor for this class is Mike Coolidge and his cell phone number is 206-218-5765.
- In an effort to utilize the traditional fire service chain of command, Dr. Eisenberg has reported to the Fire Chiefs the 2011 rate of survival of cardiac arrest patients who left the hospital rose to the goal of 50%. Of course with this outcome, Dr. Eisenberg is now setting the 2012 goal to 60%. This is all due to the great response of firefighters and EMS.
- The mini Quality Assurance audits will continue per Dr. Eisenberg’s implementation. They recently completed these audits on Epi-Pen usage and Aspirin for ACS. So far the results show the Aspirin can be used a little more aggressively and its usage needs to be documented better.
- They have implemented a cardiac arrest review tool. For forms completed and submitted within 48 hours, the BLS report data will be matched with ALS report and the hospital in order to give the best feedback for patient’s outcome in a timely manner.

A question was asked about why it is taking so long for students from the last Fall EMT Class to get their EMT Certification card and what can we do to expedite the process. Byron reported with the budget cuts in Olympia, the EMS Division was hit hard and has caused some issues and delay in processes. He indicated he would see what was happening, and after input from the members, it was mentioned that part of the hold-up is because of background checks. Because most of the departments do background checks before hiring, is there some step that can be eliminated? Byron was going to do some research on this and report back.

LABOR & INDUSTRIES:

J.C. Smith reminded departments to be sure their OSHA 300a Safety Standards is posted before April 30th.

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The 296-305 Standard draft is in the process of being adopted, but not finalized yet. There will be a couple of meetings, but he doesn't have the dates or locations. He wasn't sure what the objectives of the meetings would be since it was being adopted, but he thought perhaps they were still looking for feedback in the event there was something overlooked. As soon as he has any additional information he will send it out through the distribution list.

STATE FIRE TRAINING & SAFETY OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION:

Bob Jones wasn't present to report.

WA STATE FIRE SERVICE TRAINING:

Bob Jones wasn't present to report.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY TRAINING OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION:

Kirk Galatas was not present to report for this group.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT REVIEW COMMITTEE:

Cari Coll reported Cindy McMahan's new contract is ready with some minor revisions, but we had to cancel the meeting last week to review and sign.

(Committee Members: Executive Board and ODA Chair)

ADVANCED PUMP OPERATOR ACADEMY COMMITTEE:

No one was present to report for this committee.

(Committee Members: Pat Hund, Bob Jones)

AUDIT COMMITTEE:

This was a prompt for the committee to begin their process in order to have a report by the May meeting.

(Committee Members: Randy Krause (Chiefs Rep), Kevin Body, Keith Kreiger (since he is reassigned temporarily - Steve Taylor will volunteer to assist))

EXTRICATION ACADEMY COMMITTEE:

Kevin Anderson reported in Mark's absence. The Academy has a maximum of 45 students and it is beginning to fill. Everything is set and going as planned.

(Committee Members: Mark Seaver, Jeff Johnson, Ken Knott)

LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM:

Elenjo Schaff reported the committee hasn't worked on anything yet as we are still waiting for some topic recommendations from the Chiefs.

(Committee Members: Bob Jones, Elenjo Schaff, Tim Dahl ?)

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ODA COMMITTEE:

Cari Coll reported this committee didn't meet in February due to members not being available. The classes have started, but there are still some openings in several classes.

Cari went on to report she recently had spoken to Pam LeMay of Edmonds Community College and they have suspended their Fire Officer Program so ODA registrations cannot transfer, but students can still get credits through their other program. The bottom line is that the partnership is apparently falling apart.

(Committee Members: Cari Coll, Elenjo Schaff, Kevin Body, Greg Baruso, Kevin Anderson, Roy Brewer and by Bylaw Default: Cindy McMahan and Ron Wick)

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:

Elenjo Schaff reported this committee received an influx of applications this year. Several were received after the deadline of three weeks before the start of the first class or academy. We did allow a 'grace period' but still had to deny a total of four full ODA applications. To date we have given three \$1000 scholarships to ODA, \$500 towards ODA, and two Advanced Pump Operator Academy scholarships at \$325 each. This leaves a balance of \$1,350 remaining for other Academies in 2012.

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

TRUCK ACADEMY COMMITTEE:

No one was present to report for this committee.

(Committee Members: Mark Musch and Keith Kreiger)

WEBSITE COMMITTEE:

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:

- The Port of Seattle Fire are going to be purchasing LifePak15 Defibrillators.

In response to this, Byron Byrne reported that he also oversees the KC Purchasing contract, and they are considering adding equipment and services to this consolidation.

OLD BUSINESS:

There wasn't any Old Business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

There wasn't any New Business to discuss.

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GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Steve Taylor indicated they were in need of an EVIP Train-the-Trainer class, so they are going to host one possibly in September with Kevin Olson as the instructor. They may have some openings, so he will send the notification later for distribution.
- Kevin Body reported their department built a May Day collapsible training prop. He will show it to anyone interested after the meeting.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Ron Walsh and seconded by Parry Boogard to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned.

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(Draft meeting minutes were disseminated by Elenjo Schaff, Executive Board Secretary, on March 8, 2012)



NEXT MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 5, 2012
0900 Start Time

Valley Regional Fire Authority
1101 D Street NE
Auburn 98002
253-288-5861

YOUR 2012 EXECUTIVE BOARD

PRESIDENT - Cari Coll, Vashon Island Fire Department (206) 463-4468 or ccoll@vifr.org

VICE PRESIDENT - Kevin Anderson, Renton Fire Department (425) 430-7101 kanderson@rentonwa.gov

SECRETARY - Elenjo Schaff, Eastside Fire and Rescue (425) 313-3393 or eschaff@ESF-R.org

INTERIM TREASURER - Ron Wick, Bothell Fire (425-486-1678 or ron.wick@ci.bothell.wa.us

CONTRACT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - Cindy McMahan Cindy@kcftoa.org

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WORDS OF WISDOM:

“Fear is not our enemy. It is merely a compass pointing us to the areas where we need to grow.”

~ Steve Pavlina

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2012 SCHEDULED GUEST SPEAKERS

April 5:

- ✓ Bruce Wind from Tactical Talk talking about Crisis Intervention Training for First Responders
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May 3:

- ✓ Megan Shoemaker from WA State Archives talking about Records Management, Archives and Electronic Record.
NOTE: She will give a brief presentation during the meeting, but will offer an hour-long class following the regular meeting for individuals interested in staying. She gave a presentation at Zone 3, and was highly recommended to give us this class.
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These speakers are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.