

KING COUNTY FIRE TRAINING OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes

September 5, 2013

Port of Seattle Fire Department

MEMBERS & GUESTS:

* Cari Coll	Vashon Island Fire	Parry Boogard	Valley Regional Fire
* Bruce Kroon	Bellevue Fire	Howard Scartozzi	WSP/FPB
* Elenjo Schaff	Eastside Fire	Chuck Duffy	WSP/FPB
* Ron Wick	Bothell Fire	JC Smith	Labor & Industries
Rick White	Shoreline Fire	Mike Bailey	Snoqualmie Fire
Jim Duren	King Co. EMS	Greg Schipper	Enumclaw Fire
Jon Nolan	King Co. EMS	Ken Whitmore	Maple Valley Fire
Greg Bawden	Duvall Fire	Don de Vera	Seattle Fire
* Executive Board Member		Greg Baruso	Port of Seattle Fire

The September meeting was called to order by President Cari Coll at 0910. The Port of Seattle Fire Department gave a demonstration of their Emergency Management Mobile Command Post preceding the meeting.

Following the tour of the mobile unit, the flag salute was forfeited due to no flag present, and a roundtable introductions was done.

MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made by Parry Boogard and seconded by Jon Nolan to accept the August meeting minutes as disseminated by Elenjo Schaff, Secretary. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Ron Wick presented the August Financial Report as follows:

August Statement:

8/1/13 - 8/23/13	Checking	Savings
Beginning Balance	\$ 23,165.74	\$ 21,461.96
Deposits	\$ 522.67	\$
Withdrawals	\$ 2,949.00	\$
Interest Earned	\$.84	\$ 1.65
Ending Balance	\$ 20,216.74	\$ 21,463.61
Grand Total:	\$ 41,680.35	

A motion was made by Jon Nolan and seconded by Rick White to accept the financial report as read by Treasurer Ron Wick. Motion passed.

CHIEFS' REPORT:

Cari Coll reported the Chiefs don't meet over the summer months, so their next meeting was scheduled for mid-September.

GUEST SPEAKER(S):

- State Fire Marshal, Chuck Duffy and Lt. Daniel Atchison, Commander - Fire Training Academy: *"Updates from the Training Academy"*

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Chuck Duffy introduced the new Commander of Training to the membership. He then continued to give the latest updates regarding the improvements being made at the Fire Training Academy. Safety is the first major improvement. There is a link on the WSP website that shows the Master Plan which is broken down into six phases. He was enthusiastic as it has been 25-years since there has been any improvement made other than the dormitory.

Contact information for Lt Dan Atchison - Commander of Fire Training Academy is:
Phone: Desk 425-453-3000 Extension 102 and Cell: 425-766-5325
Email: dan.atchison@wsp.wa.gov

AFFILIATE REPORTS:

KING COUNTY OEM:

No one was present to report.

KING COUNTY EMS:

Jon Nolan reported on the following items:

- The CBT Instructor Workshops have been tentatively scheduled as follows:
 1. December 9-14, 2013 - Renton Fire
 2. January 6-11, 2014 - Woodinville Fire
 3. January 13-18, 2014 - South King Fire, Station 68
- The Fall EMT Class held its pretest and there were 57 applicants for 36 spots in the class. The next step was the CPR-Airway Management testing and Orientation.
- The Behavioral Health transport pilot project is still ongoing. There have been a couple of diversions by smaller hospitals, but they are still in discussion with them and updates are pending.
- The Rehab Policy for Zone 1 & 3 has been completed. It has approved by the Operations Chiefs and moves on to the Chiefs for adoption soon.
- The Street Medicine (High Performance Trauma Management) module is going live and will be available to EMTs to complete. The tourniquets have all been distributed to the agencies. The online module has a different format, and they are seeking any feedback immediately if any problems arise. This module is a little more interactive and could be frustrating to some. It takes approximately an hour, and there aren't any tricks to it as the goal is educating.

Jim Duren also reported on a few items:

- The EPI-Pen self-injector pens are causing a waste of \$100,000 annually due to the expiration of the pens. They are working with the Medical Program Directors in

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the County to get approval on a pilot project that would use vials and syringes instead of the auto-injector pens. This is more cost effective, and King County EMS is planning to provide these to the agencies which will result in a substantial savings to the fire departments. The hope is this will be effective the first part of 2014.

- They are also working on getting a standardization of medical equipment throughout the County. This is a committee driven program with Byron Byrne as the lead. So far AEDs are the first of the standardization of equipment.
- There was a discussion regarding the QI Reports that are being disseminated to agencies. The goal is to look at departments who are not meeting the standards and working with them to improve. This isn't a punitive measure, but a way to assist in improving. The discussion also ensued about when a report comes out on the QI, can departments get the information regarding their status and percentages of compliance. There was also some dialogue regarding listing agencies and their percentages in order to stir a competition.
- Jim continued by informing the membership that King County currently has a 57% survival rate for cardiac arrests. Tracie Greigo is setting up the cardiac event review online for all departments. He discussed Fraction Time - which is the total time of hands-on the chest, but inclusive in this they also look at the rate of the first 20-minutes of the event.

LABOR & INDUSTRIES:

JC Smith reported he had been trying to get a high voltage representative to speak to our membership, but due to multiple vacancies within their agency, he hasn't been able to do this yet. He is still seeking training on this topic as there have been several instances of contractors hitting voltage lines with cranes, etc. JC also indicated he is working on getting a list of what departments are being cited for during inspections.

STATE FIRE TRAINING & SAFETY OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION:

Howard Scartozzi didn't have anything to report regarding the conference.

WA STATE FIRE SERVICE TRAINING:

Howard Scartozzi reported that Bob Jones has retired, but that he has agreed to work part-time with the Academy. In the meantime they are in the process of revising Bob's position's job description

The current Recruit Class was into Week 4 with 23 students, and the Weekend Academy is also into Week 4 with 12 volunteers attending. Both classes will have their Graduation the first weekend of November.

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Howard also reported there are rooms available to burn in the Burn Tower although many departments are still using the container props. However, this prop will be going away soon.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY TRAINING OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION:

Blake Engnes was not present to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADVANCED PUMP OPERATOR ACADEMY COMMITTEE:

No one was present to report for this committee, though the latest report was they were still in need of apparatus for the event. The change of location for the first day was from Bellevue to Shoreline Fire. **There is still an urgent need for committee members to assist with this project!**

(Committee Members: Bill Hoover, need more help on this committee)

EXTRICATION ACADEMY COMMITTEE:

Ken Whitmore reported he is still looking for a site to host this class. They thought they had one, but it didn't work out. The towing company is stock-piling 50 vehicles for this academy, so that tends to be the issue in finding a location. It is still tentatively being planned for March 2014.

Ken still needs more assistance on this committee as soon as possible!

(Committee Members: Ken Whitmore - need 1-2 more members on this committee)

LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM COMMITTEE:

Parry Boogard reported they were waiting for the Chiefs' meeting so they would have answers on the financial commitment and to find out what their thoughts were for this. The GSA building is still being considered for the location.

(Committee Members: Steve Taylor, Parry Boogard, Bruce Kroon)

ODA COMMITTEE:

Greg Baruso reported there was a few openings for some of the remaining classes.

(Committee Members: Greg Baruso, Cari Coll, Elenjo Schaff, Joe Ehle, Mike Dettmer and by Bylaw Default: Cindy McMahan and Ron Wick)

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:

Ron Wick reported all of the 2013 funds have been designated for scholarships. The Committee has authorized the full budgeted amount of \$5,000 towards various classes.

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

TRUCK ACADEMY:

No one was present to report for this Academy.

(Committee Members: Mark Musch, Bill Larson)

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WEBSITE COMMITTEE:

Bruce Kroon 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 purchases were being made from departments.

OLD BUSINESS:

There wasn't any Old Business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

Election is to be held in December for the positions of President and Secretary. Individuals have been assigned to the following Committees:

- Nomination Committee: Ron Wick, Greg Bawden, and Rick White
- Election Committee: Don deVera and Elenjo Schaff

The first nominations will be taken at the October meeting. Nominees must be Active members of the KCFTOA.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Elenjo Schaff announced Cynthia Tobias will be giving Part 2 of her presentation "The Way We Work" at Eastside Fire & Rescue Leadership Series on Thursday, September 19, 2013 at 0830. Anyone interested in attending was welcome.
- Elenjo Schaff also asked anyone knowing of a training officer leaving their Training Division, to let her know by email in order to give recognition that is due the members in December.
- Elenjo Schaff also mentioned she will be putting together the 2014 calendar, so check your department's calendars and come prepared to sign up for a monthly meeting (First Thursday of every month beginning at 0900).

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Parry Boogard and seconded by Greg Schipper to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1105.

THOUGHTS TO PONDER:

"Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision and the ability to direct individual accomplishment toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results."

- Andrew Carnegie

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NEXT MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, October 3 2013
0900 Start Time

Northshore Fire Department
7220 NE 181st Street
Kenmore

425-354-1755

YOUR 2013 EXECUTIVE BOARD



Cindy, Elenjo, Ron, Cari, and Bruce

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