SONOMA COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES
February 11, 2015 at 9:30 AM
Hosted By
Central Fire Authority
Windsor Fire Station 1

Attendance:

Sean Grinnell  Bodega Bay   Bill Braga  Sebastopol
Randy Collins  SRJC/PSTC   Max Ming  FFPD/RRFPD
Mark Freeman  Sonoma Valley   James Salvante  CVEMSA
Steve Adams  Healdsburg Fire   Dan George  GRFPD/BVFPD
Ray Mulas  Schell-Vista Fire   Larry Anderson  Petaluma Fire
Todd Derum  CAL FIRE   David Kahn  Petaluma Fire
Paul Fleckenstein  CAL FIRE   Doug Williams  Central Fire
Jeff Rhea  CHP   Frank Treanor  Rancho Adobe
Dean Anderson  AMR/REDCOM   Gary Duignan  Red Cross
Ken Reese  REDCOM   Al Terrell  Sonoma County Fire
Dick Luttrell  REDCOM   Jason Jenkins  Cloverdale Fire
Jack Piccinini  Santa Rosa Fire   Brian Masterson  Rohnert Park Public Safety
John Zanzi  SMART   Loren Davis  Mountain Fire

Call to Order:
• Chief Adams called the meeting to order at 0930 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance:
• Chief Adams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Host Chief Introduction:
• Chief Williams provided welcoming comments.

President’s Report:
• None

Approval of Minutes:
• Motion to approve the January 14, 2015 minutes by Chief Williams, seconded by Chief George. Unanimous vote.

Treasurer’s Report:
• Chiefs Gen Fund $4545.78
• Operations Fund $4342.50
• Survivors Checking $4534.90
• Survivors CD Account $117,265.83
• Motion to approve by Chief Treanor, seconded by Chief Grinnell. Unanimous vote.

Correspondence:
• None

Presentations:
• None
Old Business:
- County Ad-Hoc Committee Update- Chief Derum provided an update the committee’s meeting with Asst.
  County Administrator Chris Thomas. Clarifying the purpose of the study, that it is to include all fire
  agencies/organization within the Sonoma County Operational Area, Chiefs will work together to provide
  information, fire agencies with coordinate their inputs by mutual aid zones (Chief George will coordinate this
  effort). Possible outcomes to this study are suspected to provide recommendations in the areas of funding,
  service sharing, and governance/structure.
- Asst. County Administrator Chis Thomas further discussed the County Fire Service Project and made himself
  available for Q & A.

New Business:
- Randy Collins from SRJC provided a State Fire Training update covering Certification Track updates. See
  attachments.

Committee Reports:

Training/Operations Section: Chief Piccinini
- Next meeting is scheduled for March 10th.
- OES Overhead Refresher is Scheduled for March 16th.

Prevention Section:
- No report.

Fire District Assoc.: Chief George, Williams and Piccinini
- LAFCO Executive Director was a guest speaker at the last meeting.
- Recognized out-going President Piccinini.
- Assoc. is working on drafting a letter to the County to discuss ERAF shift and Prop 172 issues.
- Next meeting will be in April.

Volunteer FF Association: Chief Terrell for Horne
- Assoc. established and submitted a list of questions/concerns to the County CAO and will meeting this month.
- VFC’s are discussing options and want to work together with all the chiefs in the County.

CAD Group: Chief Williams.
- Next meeting is scheduled for Feb 24th, 2015.
- Good conversation and update regarding the CAD updates and process’s.

Cal OES OP Area: Chief George.
- Discussed the new CFAA. Meetings are scheduled to rollout the new process and documents March 5th in
  Sonoma 0900-1200 and in Sacramento April 7th.

Cal OES Region: Chief Williams.
- CFAA. Some agencies expressed concerns but portal to portal. Discussions continue regarding the
  relationship between local government agencies and the USFS.
- It appears that most of the changes in the new CFAA were driven by the USFS.
- OES Region 2 spring meeting is targeted for May 2015.

County Fire: Chief Terrell.
- Nothing to report.

EMCC: James Salvante.
- Discussed new protocols on O2 administration and dressing. See website for details.
- Brief discussion about Petaluma Fire’s Active Shooter Policy.
- Chief George brought up the topic of Fire line Medics and their relationship to local EMS authorities.
Legislation: Chief Terrell
- Will submit to Chief Derum for distribution.
- Please call Chief Terrell if you ever have questions.

Grants: Chief Anderson
- SAFER grants open on Feb 9th closes on March 6th for recruitment and hiring of firefighters.
- Homeland Security Grants will not support mobile devices.
- Recommendation that the Chiefs Assoc. support the purchasing of mobile devices

SRJC Advisory: Director Collins.
- A busy fire season may cause a scaling back of fall classes.

CHP Liaison: Jeff Rhea
- Nothing to report.

Red Cross: Gary Duignan
- One call out to Rohnert Park.
- Currently launching a smoke detector campaign. See attached flyer.

Marin Chiefs Liaison: Chief Williams
- Chief Williams is schedule to attend the installation luncheon.

Fire Safe Sonoma: Chief Terrell
- No report. However, Chief Terrell will provide future Fire Safe Sonoma updates.

Cal Fire: Chief Derum.
- Assistance by Hire (ABH) agreements are scheduled to be updated within the next couple of months.
- Reminder. Intend to use a rotational list on active status to assigned “wet” Type-3 engine companies this summer.
- Suggestion made to invite and include a local government law enforcement representative to the Chiefs Assoc.

SMART: John Zanzi
- Current construction is in Marin County.
- New trains are schedule to arrive this April.
- Testing of the new trains will occur between Petaluma and Novato.
- Next meeting in Petaluma Feb. 23rd to discuss emergency responses.

Improving Efficiencies/Customer Service/Good of the Order:
- Chief Anderson introduced new Training/Admin. BC Dave Kahn.
- Petaluma will be receiving a new Type-3 engine.
- CHP, discussed active shooter training and relationships between law enforcement and fire.

REDCOM: Director Luttrell.
- February 12th is Director Luttrell’s last day. Many thanks for the many years of great leadership.

Closed Session:
- None required.

Next Meeting:
- March 11, 2015, 0930 hours, hosted by Healdsburg City Fire Department.
Adjournment:
- 1135 hours