

## SONOMA COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

# MEETING MINUTES July 13<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 10:30 AM Hosted By Rohnert Park

#### Attendance:

Sean Grinnell **Bodega Bay** Dan George Gold Ridge **Randy Collins SRJC** Mountain Loren Davis Schell Vista **RPDPS** Ray Mulas Brian Masterson **Max Ming** Forestville Bill Braga Sebastopol **CALFIRE Doug Butler CVEMS** Shana Jones Mark Freeman **SVFRA Leonard Thompson** Petaluma **Dean Anderson SLS Todd Derum CALFIRE** Kirk Van Wormer **Doug Williams** Retired **CALFIRE Rust Sims** Glen Ellen Matt Atkinson Glen Ellen Frank Treanor Rancho Adobe Mike Mickelson Wilmar **James Salvante CVEMS Ernie Loveless Schell Vista** Jason Boaz Healdsburg Dave Bynum **Bodega Bay Greg Martin Sonoma County** Jack Piccinini **CSCF** John Zanzi **SMART/Red Cross** Jeff Holden Petaluma **Loren Davis** Ken Reese **REDCOM** Mountain Bill Bullard Graton Spenser Andreis **SVFRA** 

Call to Order/Pledge: Chief Braga called the meeting to order at 10:37: AM and lead the pledge.

**Changes to the Agenda:** Chief Braga asked if anyone had any changes to the agenda. Chief Freeman recommended we add a New Business item to nominate a City rep to the "Gang of Five". Chief Braga made the change.

**Host Chief Introduction:** Chief Masterson welcomed all, explained logistics and the lunch details and thanked Chief Treanor for paying for it.

President's Report Chief Braga shared the difficult news of the Survivor's Fund making two recent benefits. To the families of Mike Haberski (Petaluma retired) and AMR Medic Burton Smith both of whom passed away last month. Dean shared a little background on Burton and Chief Leonard thanked the members of the E-Board for the donation to Mike's family. Chief Braga also spoke a bit to the inquiries he has received about the later start time implemented this year. To that end, he plans to discuss it at the next planning session. He then turned it over to Chief Derum who introduced Chief Shauna Jones the new LNU Chief. She shared a bit of her background (from the Santa Clara unit) and expressed that she was glad to be here.

James also introduced Doug Butler from CVEMS and Chief George introduced Ernie Loveless.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve by Chief Treanor, seconded by Chief Mulas. Unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report: Was submitted from our Treasurer as follows:

•	SCFCA Chief's General Fund -	\$ 5,690.90
•	SCFCA Operations Fund -	\$17,341.24
	-	\$23,032.14

SCFCA Survivors Fund Checking Account - \$2,921.10
 SCFCA Survivors Fund CD Account - \$110,044.43
 \$112,965.53

Motion to approve by Chief George, second by Chief Treanor, unanimous vote.

**Correspondence:** Chief Braga shared the "End of Life" Guidance Memo issued from CVEMS and James spoke briefly to it.

**Presentations:** James Salvante began by introducing Doug Butler who spoke to the Image Trend Elite patient software reporting system. Some of its features are:

- It is a cloud based system allowing use through any mobile device
- It has a streamlined field application to facilitate entry by First Responders
- CVEMS has added a few additional fields with the goal of it taking less than 5 minutes to complete.
- It includes a Health Information exchange that shares patient information entered by other responding agencies to track previous calls to the patient. It will also auto-populate many of the fields once the patient is recognized from a past incident. They will also integrate into the hospital records.
- Permissions are integrated into the system to minimize HIPPA violations
- CVEMS has a 5 year contract with the company so its use is free to fire agencies for this duration.
- Most of the dispatch information auto-populates in the report
- It includes a fire module that meets NFIRS requirements and has an option allowing reports to be sent automatically
- Includes "click on" treatment fields to make documentation of patient treatment fast and easy.
- It allows the generation of many different types of reports
- Includes a "Fire Inspection" report component with auto-populate features and the ability to generate the report and email (or print) for the occupant.

He is willing to conduct a full demo for the fire features and set up future ones for this group. He confirmed for Chief Braga that the fire system features are available for the term of the contract (4 years remaining). He is also looking for agencies that are interested in BETA testing the fire modules.

**Old Business: None** 

#### **New Business:**

City Fire Rep for Gang of Five: Chief Freeman indicated with his impending retirement, the group will need to appoint a replacement for the City Rep. position on the County Gang of Five grant committee. The composition of the committee is a City Fire Rep, County Fire Rep, a County Law Rep, City Law Rep and the County EMS Officer. The commitment is a couple of meetings a year and the term is not set. Chief Shubin nominated Chief Gossner. Chief Braga agreed to be the alternate. Congrats Tony & Bill.

**Fire Advisory Council:** Chief Piccinini spoke to his concerns about the costs associated with the Standards of Cover (SOC) study approved by the Fire Advisory Council. He expressed his desire to go on record that he does not support it and encouraged members of this group to question the wisdom of the SOC as well. Chief Freeman agreed the report to the BOS was short on specifics, but spoke to the need to provide current information to lend validity to the process.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Fire Districts:** Chief Loveless spoke to the last District's meeting and the discussion that was held on the SRA fee issue. He clarified that he is not here on behalf of CALFIRE and what he is sharing today is not meant to circumvent the communication process with CALFIRE. His goal today is to provide some background on this topic and share that the item has been agendized for the July 28 District's meeting with a rep from CALFIRE attending. Some of the questions he is seeking include: How much money is collected in the county? How much of it comes back to the county? What grant opportunities are available to access SRA fee funds? What is the process to access these fees? Some information can be found on the SRA website <a href="http://firepreventionfee.org/">http://firepreventionfee.org/</a> Chief George shared the interest in accessing these funds began when this group did not receive the SRA grant prepared by Linda Collister earlier this year. It was also clarified that the lack of a CWPP for the county was contributing factor in not receiving the grant

**SMART:** John Zanzi spoke to the fire that occurred in their ROW last week in Santa Rosa and that there were definitely some lessons learned on the SMART end.

**Red Cross:** John reminded the group that Red Cross is available for any incidents and provides a wide range of services. They also have a fire safety program and would love to partner with local fire agencies to install smoke detectors which they provide.

**Tactical Channel Update:** Chief Andreis spoke to the changes that have been implemented with the tactical frequencies to correct some compliance issues with the FCC and distributed a list of the changes and reviewed them with the group. In response to Chief Braga's question, the timeline is to have them implemented by Aug 1.

**OES:** Chief George reminded the group to be sure to "Active Status" themselves, especially single resources. He also spoke to the readiness issue and that staff need to be prepared to sleep outdoors and be equipped for 14 days when deployed. Chief Andreis reminded the group that overhead positions need to submit a renewal application annually.

Improving Efficiencies: Chief Piccinini commented on his desire to return the meetings to the earlier start time.

#### **Customer Service/Good of the Order:**

- Chief Van Wormer spoke briefly to the tragic loss of Capt. Todeschini's son and thanked Sonoma Valley for their response.
- James Salvante thanked all the agencies that contributed ambulances and other resources to the Vineman Triathlon last weekend. Just a reminder, the next is the July 30<sup>th</sup> (same day as NASCAR)

Closed Session: There was no closed session.

Adjournment: Chief Braga adjourned the meeting at 12:24 and encouraged folks to stay for lunch

Next Meeting: Aug 10<sup>th</sup> Coast Guard Two Rock

Respectfully Submitted July 13, 2016 By, Randy Collins, Secretary