



Sonoma County Fire Chiefs Association

Training/Operations Officers Section

MEETING MINUTES

June 10, 2014

Attendance:

Randy Collins	SRJC	Spencer Andreis	SVFRA
Dave Cornelsson	CSC Fire	Ken Sebastiani	SRFD
Darrin DiCarli	Gold Ridge	Bill Shubin	SRFD
Jack Thomas	SRFD		

- I. **Call to Order:** Chief Cornelsson called the meeting to order at 0915.
- II. **Self-Introductions:** Intros were skipped.
- III. **Changes to the Agenda:** There were no changes to the agenda
- IV. **Approval of the Minutes:** Motion by Spenser seconded by Bill, unanimous vote.
- V. **Presentation:** There were no presentations.
- VI. **Liaison Reports:**
 - A. **Chiefs:** No report
 - B. **FPO's:** Darrin o reported that they are asking for donations for the *Living with Fire* Document and that the Safety Pals performed at their station and they did a phenomenal job.
 - C. **Marin TO's:** Randy attended their meeting on May 27 and reported the following highlights:
 - They have approved \$1500 for the MAD drill
 - Most dept. are using the JAC program (Novato has 8)
 - They recently completed a Volunteer Academy with 5 from Mill Valley and 6 from Marinwood
 - County Training calendar has finished Wildland and will be doing Haz-mat next. Also looking at ways to combine the calendar into one (currently 4 calendars, a west, south Novato & Central)
 - Strong desire to update their training manual. It is an older document based on San Rafael's. More to come
 - MV, SM, SR & CM are looking at shared services model for overhead.
 - The County will be fully staffed June 1

Darin added that a live burn exercise they were to conduct was shut-down from the BAAQMD because of a "Spare the Air" day. A short discussion on the limitations of burning followed.

D. Marin OP's: No report.

E. CALFIRE: No Cal Fire rep was present to report but it was discussed Eric Hoffman has been promoted to Deputy Director at Cal Fire. They are putting on an S-210 class. Contact Ben Nichols if interested.

F. NBIMT: No report

G. Fire Tech Advisory: Randy reported there are many changes occurring in the program.

- Linda's replacement is Rachel Smith who will officially start on July 1. She and Linda have been doing some cross training to help smooth the transition. We are having a luncheon for Linda June 20. You are welcome to attend (\$5 donation for food & gift).
- Two finalist moved forward for the Full Time faculty position (one local, one from San Diego).
- Beginning to write curriculum for the courses in the new CO cert path including S-290.
- The new FFI curriculum is being written and we expect approval early September. This fall's academy will be aligned to meet all the new hour requirements. Fall 2015 will be the goal to have the new certification testing process in place. The final testing for the FFI academy will be set up as a stand-alone class to make it easier to track and allow students to remediate and avoid having to retake the entire academy which is consistent with the new SFT regs.
- The FFI graduation we had on May 16 was one of our largest with almost 600 in attendance (if we have that many next spring we will hold in the Burbank theatre on the SR campus).

H. CICC: Jack reported that they received notification that they will be audited by OES and he is busy assembling all the records. He will also be circulating an application to the group soon for their approval. Those seeking approval for Overhead positions that have not yet submitted their annual renewal will be place "unavailable" this week until they submit the 2014 renewal to Chair Thomas

VII. Old Business:

A. LEXIPOL: Chief Shubin reported SR will be purchasing LEXIPOL and Central Fire is exploring the possibility about participating in the process.

B. 2014 Goals:

1. Tactical Options: No report

2. MAD Drill: Darrin reported only 7 engines have committed. They are looking for two Task Forces from each county and only have one at this time. However, the NBIMT has done a great job preparing the IAP and Cal Fire completed the CEQA report. SMART has come through helping with printing and defraying some other costs. He is recommending proceeding with a Plan B and holding on the 28th of June. The group agreed to report to the Chief's tomorrow that if we do not get a commitment for the balance by June 20, the drill will be cancelled. He is looking primarily for Type III & VI's.

3. Training Needs Assessment: No report.

4. Strike Team/Active Status: Dave reported a lot has been done in the last few weeks. On the website, the group updated the apparatus and personnel tracking system and will begin using the new apparatus format Monday June 16 when postings are done by the Duty Officer and REDCOM. The new SOG and access instructions are also posted under the Active Status drop down menu. All associated overhead docs have been updated and will be located under "Docs to share" in the "Documents" drop down. The Fire Chiefs will be updated on these changes at their meeting tomorrow. A group group email well be sent later this week informing users of the changes.

5. RIO/Ethics Classes: Randy reported they have 22 for each class with additional registrations dribbling in so both are a go..

7. By-Laws: Randy reported he has a draft of the Chiefs By-Laws and has a meeting scheduled when Chief Grinnell returns from vacation. Once approved, they will be the template for this group.

VIII. New Business: There was no new business.

IX. Good of the Order:

- Minor discussion about why Healdsburg's 2 alarm fire was not paged out by REDCOM as it was identified as a trigger point during the meeting with REDCOM earlier this year. Cornelssen to follow up.

X. Adjournment: At 10:31

Next meeting: July 8th, 2014 at the SRFDTT.

Respectfully submitted:
Randy Collins
June 12, 2014