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# **Monterey County Fire Training Officers Association**

**Meeting Minutes – June 11, 2009**

**Host: Soledad Fire Department**

Meeting called to order at 1016 hours by President Dan Gearhart

## **I. Roll Call**

### **Attendees:**

Dan Gearhart	Seaside Fire Dept
Martha Karstens	Big Sur VFB
Doug McCoun	North County Fire Dist
Pat O'Connell	Salinas City Fire Dept
Humberto Arista	North County Fire Dist
Mike Meddles	City of Soledad Fire Dept
Tamera Badano	American Medical Response

## **II. Approval of Minutes**

No minutes of the May 14, 2009 meeting were available for review and approval.

## **III. Treasurer's Report**

*See Attached*

Motion by Humberto Arista, seconded by Pat O'Connell to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented; motion passed.

## **IV. Correspondence/Announcements**

No correspondence was received, and no announcements were made.



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### **V. Committee Reports**

#### **A. WFS: Dave Sargenti**

Dave was not present to make a report. However, Dan Gearhart reported that Wildland Fire School processed approximately 400 MPC applications, bringing in about \$14,300.00, and generating 36 hours of training/person.

Overall, feedback is that things went well. However, significant dialog was had concerning the need for support on Thursday operations. Specifically: the extra costs for that day, lunches, port-a-potties, bottled waters and Gatorade. The question was posed do we make a change and fully support Thursday or continue to operate with limited logistical support. Another item of discussion was securing the campground prior to our arrival. The need to have a conversation with either or both the Ft. Hunter Liggett Fire Chief and the Base Commander, and forewarning about our reservation and the closure of the campground during the school was identified.

Future needs which were discussed:

*Logistics* – more durable signage (DP's & WP's) and a way to disperse them without using command vehicles.

*Registrations* – Worker's Comp issues surrounding "blanket" registrations from agencies. i.e. names not matching attendees, and the need to verify basic training, worker's comp coverage and liability waivers.

There was also some discussion on the issues with burnable fuels in Branch II.

#### **B. Fire Library: Deano Lindsey**

No report

#### **C. Programs/Training: Dave Sargenti**

No report



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**D. Website:** Doug McCoun/Dan Gearhart

The ability to pay for classes on line has been set-up. We are under budget with Red Shift.

**E. State Fire Academy/MPC:** Natalie Rodda

No report

**F. Fire Chief's Liaison:** Dan Gearhart

No report: there was no Chief's meeting in May due an out-of-town maritime conference. June's meeting will be a regular meeting with discussion scheduled on the updated MCI plan. The meeting will be held on June, 18<sup>th</sup> at Soper Field.

### **V. Old Business**

**A. Logo Design**

There will be a meeting of the Logo Design Committee on Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>.

**B. Mutual Aid Training Plan**

Waiting for word from the Chief's Ops Committee.

### **VI. New Business**

**A. Rancho Cielo Sponsorship**

Soon there will be a request for sponsorship of the Rancho Cielo Hand Crew. They are currently a Type III Crew working towards certification as a Type II Crew.

### **VII. Good of the Order**

**Humberto Arista:** Working with schools in the North County District on developing Emergency Operations Plans. The plan is being received at the state OES level. There are three phases of implementation:

- 1) Schools conduct in-house accountability training.
- 2) Single resource makes the rounds and evaluates the schools.
- 3) Multi-agency evaluation



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**Pat O'Connell:** Salinas is still dealing with the run-off from the commercial structure fire on Dayton Street. They will be conducting some training at the airport soon and will be putting up smoke. Salinas will be changing their response procedures, adding an engine to Alarms and their Ladder Truck to freeway runs.

**Doug McCoun:** The Emergency Reporting download from CAD link is up and working. MDC's would benefit AMR.

**Martha Karstens:** Frank Pinney's retirement party and BSVFB's 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Muster will be held on July 18<sup>th</sup>. Flyers were handed out.

**Dan Gearhart:** shared about two unique calls SSFD ran: subject who fell from seven stories inside the Embassy Suites, and physical altercation at the scene of a traffic collision.

### **VII. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Arista, seconded by McCoun – Passed, meeting adjourned  
At 1145 hours.

**Next Meeting:** July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 @ 1000 hours  
North County Fire Protection District  
11200 Speegle St.  
Castroville, CA 95012  
(Meeting to be held in the Castroville Library)

Minutes prepared by: Michael Meddles



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#### Treasurer's Report - May 2009

<b>Checking Account Balance as of 04-30-09:</b>		<b>62,302.20</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
05-06-09	I.M.WR.F. WFS Campground Fee	800.00
05-06-09	Redshift - Website Work & Monthly Fee	92.90
05-07-09	Leslie Fenton - WFS Expenses (Office Depot -UPS)	131.00
05-12-09	Secretary of State - Information filing fee	20.00
05-12-09	Attorney General - 2008 Renewal Fee	50.00
05-12-09	Franchise Tax Board - 2008 Franchise Tax Fee	10.00
05-12-09	Calandra - Accountant - 2008 Tax Preparation Fee	465.00
05-18-09	Schwaab, Inc. - Update Bank Stamp	36.97
05-18-09	SRFPD - S-230/231 Books, Supplies, etc.	483.88
05-18-09	SRFPD - WFS Training Shelters, Hats	1,129.07
05-21-09	Desktop Publishing Supply - WFS Blank Certificates	81.85
05-27-09	U.S. Postmaster - WFS Tee Shirt Mailing	2.58
05-29-09	Electronic Withdraw - Returned Deposit Charge	25.00
<b>Total Expenses:</b>		<b>3,328.25</b>



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### Income:

05-05-09	Registrations: 3-390, January 19-23, 2009	380.00
05-05-09	Tee Shirt Sales	20.00
05-05-09	Annual Member Dues	110.00
05-05-09	2009 Annual Library Dues	600.00
05-21-09	Registrations: S-230/231 May 4-8, 2009	81.85
05-22-09	Google Check-out Income	.34
05-29-09	On-Line Tee Shirt Sale	14.26

**Total Income: 1,674.60**

**Checking Account Balance as of 05-31-09: 60,648.55**

**Certificate of Deposit as of 02-11-09: 7,002.27**

**Total Assets as of 05-31-09: 67,650.82**

DG: 07-02-09