



**Monterey County Fire Training Officers Association
Meeting Minutes – January 12, 2017**

Date: January 12, 2017

Call to order at: 1006 by President. Doug Dirksen SFD

I. Roll Call

Attendees:

David Wilcox	POM	Dan Gearhart	RET
Dave Brown	MPC	Martha Karstens	BSB
Pat O’Connell	RET	Tammera Badano	AMR
Deano Lindsey	MCRFD	Jeff Fields	MFD
Kevin Kamnikam	MCRFD	Brad Hinckley	RET

II. Approval of Minutes: No minutes submitted for December 8th, 2016 meeting

III. Treasurer’s Report:

Motion to accept Treasures report for October by Pat O’Connell, this motion was seconded by Dan Gearhart, motion approved motion carried. Motion to accept Treasures report for November by Dan Gearhart, motion seconded by Pat O’Connell, motion approved motion carried. Motion to accept Treasures report for December by Pat O’Connell, seconded by Dan Gearhart, motion approved motion carried.

IV. Correspondence and Announcements:

Reminder Awards Luncheon will be held January 19th in Seaside all are welcome.

SFM Instructor II Class Cancelled, not enough students to hold class.

EMT Recertification MPC held early spring annually just completed.

V. Committee Reports:

A. Chiefs Meeting – No meeting held in December – No Report

B. Wildland Committee – Brett Loomis will be the IC for the exercise. A meeting was held prior to the TO’s meeting to discuss agenda’s and priorities. The school will be held over (3) single days for 2017 & 2018. Possibility to transition to (1) overnight in 2019. Ron Lemos has volunteered fill the Ops



sections Chief position for 2017. The Wildland School is currently looking for individuals to fill overhead positions (SO, STL. etc...). Additional open areas will be still be available to those departments who wish to train on their own with their department.

C. Programs/Training Classes

Kevin Kamnikam presented a need for more NWCG (S) series classes within the county. Dino Lindsey suggested some sort of needs assessment or survey to be circulated through county agencies once again with the hopes of capturing department and individual requirements and bring classes back to the local area. Jeff Fields brought forth ideas of hosting the ISFSI training officer credentialing program (flyers were handed out) would like feedback next meeting.

D. Website continues to gain interest. 1040 views last month. There has been a spike in viewership due to the classes that were posted on the site. The website is running great with no issues. Dan Gearhart brought up that a small investment in the website advertising could possibly increase student enrollment. Tammera Bandano made a motion to invest \$100 in website advertisement, this motion was seconded by Jeff Fields. Motion approved motion carried.

E. Fire Academy Dave Brown said that New Academy begins with family orientation tonight at 6pm. Also, there will be some credit changes beginning in the fall of 2017 that may affect some local departments. Group brought up that having a flyer put out for Fire Academy Graduation would be great so that more retiree's and Chief Officers would attend the Academy Graduation. Additional, discussions took place regarding the new SFM fire officers program. Dave Brown would like to get feedback from the group regarding how these classes should be available. Options would be in person, completely online or a hybrid class more to follow.

F. Countywide drills: No report given Jack Lundgren MFD was not in attendance.

VI. Old Business- Santa Cruz TO's – No report given

VII. New Business – Deano Lindsey proposed to send out a survey/ class request for 2017 training needs. However, he would like to also focus on the need for (S) series classes as a priority due to the fast approaching wildland



season and scheduling timeline. A motion was put forth by Dan Gearhart to allow Deano Lindsey to move forward to make decisions pertaining to finding (S) series classes and securing such classes without formal approval from the group. Deano Lindsey will ensure classes are market rate and the cancellation policy is understood. This motion was seconded by Pat O'Connell motion approved motion carried.

VIII. Good of the Order:

Jeff Fields MFD currently has 9 recruits going through Fire Academy
Tammera Bandano AMR – AMR admin offices moved to Garden rd. in Monterey. AMR Ops will be moving its location to the City of Salinas real soon. AMR currently has 14 open Medic positions. Membership dues are due NLT 1 Feb.

IX. Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 1135

Next Meeting February 9th, 2017
MPC Public Safety Training Center
2642 Colonel Durham Street
Seaside, CA. 93955