



**Monterey County Fire Training Officers Association
Meeting Minutes – November 14, 2013**

Host: Big Sur Fire

Date: November 14, 2013

Call to order at: 10:02 by President Ron Lemos.

I. Roll Call

Attendees:

Dan Gearhart	SEA Retired	Chris Reitenour	SEA
Cary Lesch	SLS	Pat O’Connell	SLS
Jason Black	SEA	Ron Lemos	MCRFD
Deano Lindsey	MCRFD	Humberto Arista	NCD
Brad Hinckley	MAR	Martha Karstens	BSB

II. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Pat to approve the October 10 minutes as submitted, second by Chris, motion carried.

III. Treasurer’s Report: We reviewed the report, question if Tamera can make meetings from now on? (attendance not required to do the treasurer’s report). The Red Shift amount was higher than normal due to the problem with the shopping cart.

Checking account balance as of 11/11/13 was	\$12,735.09
Saving account balance	\$ 67,259.25
Total assets	\$ 79,994.34

Motion by Dan to accept the report as submitted, second by Deano, motion carried.

IV. Correspondence and Announcements: None.

V. Committee Reports:

A. Wildland Committee Dan reported he spoke to Clinton Tolle, Hunter Liggett, and they will give us the whole month of June or whatever is needed and the same area we used last year. On 10/19 he and Pat met with 3 DCs from Scotts Valley and Aptos to discuss their participation in the school. They looked at the strike team concept again. They will take the information back



to their TOs group. We think we can still work out lunch arrangements even with potentially more participants. They didn't think any other special arrangements would be needed, IE, dumpsters, porta potties. We are not sure how the college registration process would work, do 2 separate registrations? Cabrillo and MPC? They would like a S234 class if possible. Do the lecture part prior to the school? We will stay in our same single day format for now. The challenge is still finding personnel to do any sign offs. Maybe have each County be responsible for CERT sign offs? We can work on other options. They will meet again after the first of the year. No more thoughts of doing fire school at Fort Ord.

B. Fire Library Nothing new to report.

C. Programs/Training Classes Will have more to report after the first of the year.

D. Website Dan said it is going well, the shopping cart issue has been fixed. 1,006 visits for a 30 day period, 33 per day, 725 of those are new visits, mostly from the Peninsula followed by San Francisco. He can track the use by Countries with US being top use followed by Germany on down to the Ukraine. John Hasslinger was the profile of the month.

E. Fire Academy No Dave present. Ron got an email from Dave about instructor Rick Stoker doing a work place violence on incidents class. This is to teach FF how to get out of dangerous situations, or "verbal judo". Seaside did a class on this, it is 8 hours. Discussion about active shooter and drills. This is not the same thing as Tac/Med. Ron to get back to Dave and Rick. Martha asked if anyone had used the new MPC webreg, no.

F. Fire Chiefs Liaison Report Humberto reported; We had the Chiefs dinner meeting in Marina last month. Items discussed were the authenticity of CERTS, new Officer nominations were Chief Dempsey for President, Chief Rodriguez Vice and Chief Carreiro Sec/Treasurer. Nominations for Volunteer, paid and support FF are needed. Annual membership dues can be paid, they supported the 1/4ly triage training, Airport/Monterey contract will start 1/1/14, hydrants in Cal Am area testing, (or not), Crazy Horse interchange is open. EMS-there is a new equipment replacement policy out to look at, Regional will host a meeting in January to work on issues. In the closed session EMS, UASI and OACC were discussed.

VI. Old Business

A. MCI drills. In progress. The flagging is the big change.



- B. Sell old wildland trailer/purchase new one. Deano has been researching them, there are several roof warranties to choose, he is not happy with the materials the new trailers are built with. We are looking for an 8 ½ foot by 16 feet trailer. A simple used one was \$6,400, do we want an awning? He will continue looking. He thinks we could get about \$2,000 for our old trailer.
- C. Link the Chiefs bank account with ours? No report.
- D. Lemoore training opportunities. Still being worked on.
- E. Elections-Appoint new Board member. Same Officer slate as last month, Jason agreed to be President. Martha nominated Pat O'Connell to fill the vacant Board position with John stepping down. We will hold the elections in December.

VII. New Business

- A. Use of out of County apparatus numbers. Hollister uses or abbreviates their engine number to two digits in County. They should be using 4 digits in our County, concern mentioned this may be not remembered because they use the two so often. Dan spoke to Charlie to encourage the use of 4 digit.
- B. MCFTOA insurance. Dan handed out an insurance summary. We could save about \$1,000 by deleting the general liability. Does MPC have classroom insurance so it would be a duplication? We will decide next month.

VIII. Good of the Order

Pat – The on duty platoon training coordinator will be attending meetings each month with Pat attending on his own.

Humberto – The schools are very interested in training. Let him know if you want help with drills in the schools in your areas.

Dan – Dave said we got \$484 for the EOC situational awareness class we cosponsored. The class was done in November. Big Sur is having the annual Crafts Fair on Thanksgiving weekend. He thanked Big Sur for hosting this month for AMR.

Martha – Burn season start may be pushed back due to lack of rain. Our next month's meeting is the same day as Chief's. We will look for another day, Jason to send out options, maybe the 4th.

Jason – Thanks for Cary attending, we need to encourage attendance.

- IX. Adjournment** Motion to adjourn meeting by Dan, meeting adjourned at 12:00.



Next Meeting December ???

MPC Public Safety Training Center
2642 Colonel Durham Street
Seaside, CA. 93955

Host Cal Fire-BEU

Minutes prepared by Martha Karstens



Monterey County Fire Training Officers Association
Treasurer's Report – October 2013

Reporting period: October 8, 2013 through November 11, 2013

Checking Account Balance as of **October 7, 2013:** **12,794.04**

Revenue:

10/10/13	Memberships:		
	M. Meddles-Cal Fire		10.00
	N. Armstrong-Cal Fire		10.00
10/10/13	Water Purchase by D. Gearhart		32.00

Total Revenue: **52.00**

Expenses:

11-7-13	Red Shift Internet Services	-110.95
	(\$90.00 for development fees)	

Total Expenses: **-110.95**

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Tammera Badano, Treasurer
November 11, 2013



Notes: no information at this time regarding the Chiefs bank account.