



**Monterey County Fire Training Officers Association  
Meeting Minutes – October 10, 2013**

Host: Big Sur Fire

**Date:** October 10, 2013

**Call to order at:** 10:03 by President Ron Lemos.

**I. Roll Call**

**Attendees:**

Mike Meddles	Cal Fire	Danny Suarez	Cal Fire
Ron Lemos	MCRFD	David Brown	MPC
Charlie Bedolla	Hollister	Deano Lindsey	MCRFD
Pat O’Connell	SLS	Dan Gearhart	SEA retired
Tammera Badano	AMR	Doug McCoun	NCD
Humberto Arista	NCD	Brad Hinckley	MAR
Martha Karstens	BSB		

**II. Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the September 12 meeting were approved as submitted, motion by Tammera, second by Pat, motion carried.

**III. Treasurer’s Report:** Tammera reviewed the treasurers report; Checking account balance as of 10/07/13 was \$12,794.04.  
Savings balance \$67,253.56  
Total assets \$80,047.60.  
Motion by Dan to approve the treasurer’s report, second by Pat, motion carried. Doug turned in his old ATM card, Tammera has a new one to issue him, OK to do. She has a list of all the cards that have been handed out.

**IV. Correspondence and Announcements:** None.

**V. Committee Reports:**

**A. Wildland Committee** Dan reported he has called Chief Fielder about the possibility of using Ft. Ord instead of Hunter Liggett for wildland school. It is more centrally located. The smoke may be an issue. No action taken. Pat may meet with Santa Cruz on the 29<sup>th</sup>.

**B. Fire Library** Nothing new to report.



- C. Programs/Training Classes** As John Owens is too busy we will put in Danny's name in place of his. During the meeting John returned Danny's call and he will also step down from the Board. We will need to appoint someone in his place.
- D. Website** Dan reported it is still going well other than the "shop" portion of it. The Red Shift person will look at it when he returns on Monday.
- E. Fire Academy** Dave said there were two classes being offered, Traffic management and EOC situational awareness, he wanted to confirm it was OK to run them through under our TOs contract with MPC. Motion by Deano to do it, second by Tammaera, motion carried. Student numbers are down and several classes had to be cancelled. They are already looking ahead at the spring 2015 schedule.
- F. Fire Chiefs Liaison Report** Humberto reported they met in Salinas, items discussed were: The LeMoore training, Investigators will be electing new Officers and are working with SO, new number designators for some engines, Tac-Med reps are Chiefs Urquides, Carreiro and Rodriguez, OES request to identify who is sitting in for UASI and GAA, ALS/EMS skill requirements, letter from Bud McDonald, nomination committee for Chief's elections are Chiefs Urquides and Orman, a reminder of the Marina FF memorial, IMT type III team, Citygate, OAC is revamping the "structure", Chiefs Rodriguez, Dempsey and Carreiro are the UASI advisory reps for regional grants.

## **VI. Old Business**

- A.** MCI drills. Lots of discussion, maybe have TOs do a table top, wait for the new revised MCI plan to come out, try to something early next year, January/February, start the triage tag Tuesday again, (again do this when the new plan is out), we would need to bring this back to Chiefs. We decided if we get the go ahead from Chiefs to have TOs pick quarterly dates so all shifts can participate in triage tag Tuesday. Tammaera to bring us possible dates next meeting, do a table top and then follow up with a MCI drill. Big Sur offered to do the drill.
- B.** Sell old wildland trailer/purchase a new one? Deano has looked at cost for 18' trailers and has seen used ones for around \$5,000. Discussion on what kind of materials would hold up best. Motion by Dan to pursue the trailer replacement not to exceed \$7,500, and sell the old one, second by Dave. Tammaera can do up to \$7,000 on Paypal. Motion amended to add funds to include the logo/signing on the outside of the trailer, up to \$8,000,



second by Pat, unanimous. OES needs a used trailer, we will contact them.

## **VII. New Business**

- A. Link our bank account with Chiefs? The Chiefs are paying a monthly fee on their account. Tammera and Humberto to work together to see what can be worked out with Chase then if needed pursue other banks. They will bring back any information next meeting.
- B. Lemoore training opportunity. Ron talked to the Lemoore rep about the fire control 5 class. We don't know what "type" it would be yet, if a cert would be available. Brad will follow up and get the particulars.
- C. Election of Officers. Nominations opened: Tammera was willing to stay on as Treasurer, Martha will stay on as Secretary. Dan nominated Tammera for Treasurer, Doug nominated Martha for Secretary, Tammera nominated Jason for President and Pat nominated Ron for Vice President. Nominations to stay open through October and November if needed. The Board goes until the end of 2014.

## **VIII. Good of the Order**

Humberto – Some certificates being handed out are being questioned as being valid.  
Brad – Reminded us of the Chiefs dinner next week.  
Dave – Asked if there was any word on the fire trailer? Not yet.  
Charlie – There will be a couple classes coming up next year on auto ex.  
Pat – The Draeger trailer training has been going on and will be completed this week. It will be able to start being used at other departments probably by early next year. There will be instructor costs.  
Dan – Pat (and "Rex") was the XMY profile of the month on our web site.  
Doug – We will probably need to reprogram our radios again, there were licensing issues on some of the frequencies. Type 4, 5, 6 and 7 engines will be classified now as "50" series.  
Mike – He will be the Training Officer at the Cal Fire HQ.  
Danny - VMP burns will be going on and they could use help staffing them.

## **IX. Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 12:10 PM.

Next Meeting November 14, 2013.  
MPC Public Safety Training Center  
2642 Colonel Durham Street  
Seaside, CA. 93955  
**Host AMR**

Minutes prepared by Martha Karstens



**Monterey County Fire Training Officers Association  
Treasurer's Report – September 2013**  
Reporting period: September 11, 2013 Through October 7, 2013

Checking Account Balance as of **September 10, 2013:** **12,804.99**

**Revenue:**

**9-12-13      Membership Dues: P. O'Connell      10.00**

**Total Revenue:      10.00**

**Expenses:**

**10-4-13      Red Shift Internet Services (August Payment)      -20.95**

**Total Expenses:      -20.95**

**Checking Account Balance as of 10/07/13:      12,794.04**

**Saving Account Balance as of 10/07/2013:      67,253.56**

**Total Assets as of October 7, 2013:      80,047.60**

Tammera Badano, Treasurer  
October 7, 2013

**Notes:**