



**Monterey County Fire Training Officers Association
Meeting Minutes – Sept 8, 2011**

Host: MPC Public Safety Training Center

Date: Sept. 8, 2011

Call to order at: 10:07 by Dan Gearhart

I. Roll Call

Attendees:

Martha Karstens	BSB
Daniel Gearhart	Seaside FD – Retired
Brian Nichols	CAL-Fire BEU
Chris Vaughn	SLS
Doug McCoun	NCD
Tammera Badano	AMR
Natalie Rodda	MPC
Chris Reitenour	SEA
Deano Lindsey	MCF
Paul Pilotte	MCF

II. Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes by Chris Reitenour, second by Martha Karstens
Motion carried

III. Treasurer’s Report:

Motion to accept and receive report by Lindsey, second by Reitenour
Motion carries (*Treasurer’s Report Attached*)
Acknowledged a generous donation of \$2 by Perez.

IV. Correspondence and Announcements:

- The 9/11 stair climb is still looking for more participation see flyer posted on TO’s web site
- Dan reminded everyone of the 9/11 memorial in Marina.
- Salinas City fire will also be having a ceremony on 9/11 @ 0630
- Nor Cal training officer’s consortium in Roseville Sept. 21.
- Paul Pilotte announced his retirement from the fire service effective Oct. 21.



V. Committee Reports:

A. Wildland Committee

Discussion focused on identifying members to coordinate the new scaled down version of the wild land school. If you're interested contact Dan.

B. Fire Library

Lindsey - Nothing new to report other than "The 10 cones of Safety" has been located.

C. Programs/Training Classes

Vaughn - Is looking for a site to hold the classroom portion of the propane class. Needs to accommodate about 100 students.

D. Website

Web site is doing just fine however, Dan is a little steamed because someone unfriended him. ☺

E. Fire Academy

Natalie reports enrollment for most classes is doing okay but interest in the next academy is not looking so hot at this point.

F. Fire Chiefs Liaison Report - Medium to long discussion about ChemPacks and chief officer move up. No resolution, consensus or strong opinion.

VI. Old Business

- A. Dan is still diligently working with a broker to get an insurance policy. One policy would cover liability and another to cover Directors and Officers.
- B. Budget - Dan passed out the latest version of the budget. There was some discussion as to the format. Doug volunteered to put it on an excel spreadsheet and show the prior years carry over. Motion by Lindsey to adopt the budget format starting in 2012. Second by Karstens. Motion passed.
- C. There was a short discussion about the proposed training on the Monterey County Fire Ground Safety System to be delivered by the TO's. Roth will be coming up with a proposed schedule and curriculum.

VII. New Business

- A. Election of Officers. It that time of year folks, nominations will take place at the October meeting followed by a period of campaigning.



VIII. Good of the Order

Karstens - Thanks to the EMS agency for the donation of a vehicle.

McCoun - Reminded all to check their smoke detector batteries. He related an incident in North County where the occupants of the house were alerted and most likely saved by a properly functioning smoke detector.

Vaughn - Spreckels fire is planning a house burn drill in early October.

Rodda - Cal EMA Chief Cooper Passed away.

Reitenour - Seaside hired the last Safer Grant firefighter.

Pilotte - The final report on the Jesusita burn over was recently released. He urges all to read it as it makes some specific recommendation regarding structure protection. The report can be found at http://www.fire.ca.gov/fire_protection/downloads/redsheets/Jesusita/JesusitaReviewReport.pdf

Badano - Reported 490 people were taught hands only CPR at the Monterey County Fair. She is asking fire agencies to capture information on by-stander CPR for possible recognition. Just give her a call if you would like her to show up at your event to teach hands only CPR. She reports AMR will be offering a lot more classes ACLS, PALS, ITLS etc. Flyers will be sent out soon.

IX. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Lindsey, second by Karstens

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:12



**Monterey County Fire Training Officers Association
Treasurer's Report – August 2011**

Beginning Checking Account Balance as of July 31, 2011: 77,090.86

Revenue:

08-23-11	Polo Shirt Sales	92.00
08-23-11	Donation	2.00

Total Revenue: 94.00

Expenses:

08-09-11	Redshift Internet Services	20.95
08-09-11	U.S. Postmaster – Annual P.O. Box Fee	46.00

Total Expenses: 66.95

Ending Checking Account Balance as of August 31, 2011: 77,117.91

Certificate of Deposit as of August 31, 2011: 7,156.79

Total Assets as of August 31, 2011: 84,274.70

Kathryn Pernet, Treasurer
Prepared by: DG
September 7, 2011