

### PINELLAS COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

#### MINUTES TO MEETING OF APRIL 5<sup>th</sup>, 2001

Association Regular Meeting at 12:30

#### President Naylor called the meeting to order at 12:30

**Invocation by Chief McGuff** 

**Introduction of Guests** - David Adams and J.C. Brock from SPJC. Several members of the Police Standards Council, Tom Lange was the spokesperson.

Roll Call - 22 members, 6 guests

Approval of Minutes from the previous meeting - Motion to accept by Chief McGuff, second by Chief Brooks, motion carried by viva voce vote.

#### **Treasurer Report**

Pinellas County Fire Chiefs Checking Account Balance	\$7,184.96
Save Cans for Safe Kids Checking Balance	\$1,236.79
Save Cans for Safe Kids CD Balance	\$5,153.39
TOTAL	\$13,575.14

Motion to accept the Treasurers Report by Chief Fant, seconded by Chief Brooks, motion carried by viva voce vote.

#### **Nomination Committee Report**

Chief Fant gave a report from the nominating committee. In short, all current members of the Executive Board are being nominated, without opposition, for their current positions. Motion to accept the nominating committee's report by Chief McGuff, seconded by Chief Stout, motion carried by viva voce vote. Motion by Chief McGuff, seconded by Chief Stout to move the slate of officers, motion carried by viva voce vote. Officers will be sworn in at next months meeting. All life and honorary members are invited and encouraged to attend.

#### Guests

Mr. David Adams, the new fire science program chair at SPJC was introduced. David spoke on the transition of the fire academy and the status of the SPJC degree program. He is looking to borrow, temporarily, some fire equipment, and to enter into some joint use agreements for a tower and an engine. List of equipment needs was passed out. Anyone that can help is encouraged to call David at 341-4479. We also discussed with Chuck Freeman the possibility of getting a 911 computer drop to David's office. Chuck will investigate further.

David Bilodeau discussed a meeting with the police chiefs regarding communications issues. Tom Lange spoke on this issue and invited the fire chiefs to meet with the police chiefs. Dick Williams will try and host a meeting in May. Chief McGuff will follow-up and provide a date to the fire chiefs.

(**Post-Meeting Note**: The meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday June 20th, at 08:30. It will be held at the SPJC Allstate Center, 3200 - 34th Street South, St. Petersburg. The college would like to provide breakfast as a way of welcoming the fire chiefs to the training facility. After the meeting, the SPJC staff will give a tour of the center to anyone who has not already seen it.)

#### Correspondence

Letter from David Adams with information as noted above.

Letter from Chuck Kearns regarding NFPA 1710. His office estimates 16 million dollars in personnel cost in the county, plus other costs for stations and equipment. His office is still gathering information.

(As a reminder, there is a meeting on NFPA 1710 issues on May 27, 2001 in Tampa, sponsored by the Florida Fire Chiefs.)

#### **Unfinished Business**

<u>Central Fire Training Center</u> -Thanks for the support of the membership on talking to the County Commissioners. Looks good so far. Dwaine Booth spoke on the Fire Act. Since the County cannot apply, any department that is not applying for two grants could apply for a training grant for the central fire training center as a joint venture with the county. Anyone interested please contact Dwaine.

#### New Business

<u>SPJC</u> - J.C. Brock provided additional information on the SPJC program. David Adams is seeking adjuncts. Applications and memo about adjunct faculty distributed.

#### **Committee Reports**

Educational Committee - NFA class done. Made about \$1000 for the PCFCA

Operations Chiefs - Updated wildfire SOP, next meeting June 1, 2001

Purchasing Committee - No Report

Communications - No Report

Fire Marshals - No Report

PALS - No Report

#### **Affiliate Reports:**

<u>Fire and EMS Administration</u> - Dwaine Booth reminded that fire district budgets are due. Brush trucks are still being worked on and the lease agreements are being reviewed. Craig Hare spoke on the upcoming ACLS recertification, a survey will be coming out to see how department want course delivery.

<u>Radio Systems</u> - Pam gave out information on Motorola promotions. Also handed out a letter looking for support for the FCC allocation of more spectrums for public safety. Chiefs are encouraged to write a letter for this support.

<u>Communications/911</u> - Chuck asked that the chiefs tell their operations people to change codes of calls that are being work as something different than dispatched. For example if units are dispatched to a structure fire that turns out to be a brush fire and the code does not get changed, additional alarms would reflect structure responses instead of brush responses. The county is getting a backup computer that will be kept at Sunstar. Users meetings are going to quarterly, due to small agendas. Special meeting will be held as required. Reminder to get the computer users surveys to Jackie ASAP.

<u>OMD</u> - Jeff Bernard spoke on the top shock award for Ronald Baclawski. This award will be given quarterly. Medical Control Board passed new protocol for V-Fib and V-Tachy with 2 new drugs. State inspectors still in town.

<u>SPJC-EMS</u> - Nerina spoke on the medic program. Class possible in May, depending on enrollment, if you have anyone interested get them in ASAP. In August classes will be held on two consecutive days to help with attendees from shift.

<u>Red Cross</u> - Gene ask if the Red Cross on the working fire file was working OK. It is working well on the Red Cross end, seems to be well on the fire end as there were not any negative comments.

#### Good of the Organization

Chief Terry's seat on the EMS Advisory Council is about to expire. After discussion, Chief Terry will remain on the Council.

#### **Next Meeting:**

Homer's Buffet 1451 N. Missouri Ave.

Chief's workshop at 11:15 / Lunch at 12:00 / Regular Meeting at 12:30.

Meeting Adjourned

# YOUR INVITED

## Installation of Officers

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## For the **Pinellas County Fire Chief's Association**

All Active, Affiliate, Life, and Honorary Members are Cordially Invited to Attend Come and See Some Old Friends and Meet New Ones

> May 3, 2001 at 12:00 Noon Homer's Buffet 1451 N. Missouri Ave. Largo

## Hope to See You There!!