

PINELLAS COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

January 11, 2007 Regular Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Angle at 1:15 PM. Mike Wallace provided the invocation and roll call was taken with 20 in attendance.

Chief Meyer made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Second by Chief Lewis, motion passed by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report as of January 10, 2007:

PCFCA Checking	\$8,933.09
PCFCA Extrication	\$1,094.37
PCFCA Training/Ed.	\$3,600.00
SCFSK Checking	\$1,686.59
<u>SCFSK CD</u>	<u>\$5,001.70</u>
Total	\$20,315.75

Chief Lewis made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Second by Chief Meyer, motion passed by voice vote. Checks were provided for the holiday haz-mat team luncheon with \$300 and the 911 dispatcher's holiday food with \$100, the holiday tech rescue luncheon with \$300 has yet to be expended.

2007 Dues notices will be sent out in January or February

Correspondence

None.

New Business

President Angle discussed the public safety recognition dinner held by County Commissioner Morroni on January 26 at the Vinoy in St. Petersburg. Last year the Association made a \$500 donation to support the dinner; that amount will purchase a table for ten and President Angle suggested buying the table and having fire chiefs attend. Chief Fant made a motion to support the dinner by buying a table for \$500, second by Chief O'Neal passed by voice vote.

Unfinished Business

Chief Stout provided an update on the John Leahy retirement event. The committee is planning for 250 attendees on Saturday April 7, at the Belleview Biltmore. The dinner menu will be set by the committee.

Committee Reports

Operations Chiefs

The Operations Chiefs hosted the FDOT at the last meeting to discuss traffic flow reinstatement at crash incidents. During the February meeting the County 911 staff will provide a demo of the wireless capabilities and develop a technical sub-committee to work on the operational needs and desires for the wireless system.

Education Committee

Palm Harbor, Clearwater, Pinellas Park and Seminole will co-host an extrication competition in May.

Purchasing

No report.

Fire Marshals

No report.

PALS

No report.

Training Officers

No report.

EMS First Responder Contract

EMS contract meeting was held prior to today's business meeting. Craig Hare requested that the EMS cost survey sent to all providers be completed and returned by January 19. The next contract meeting is scheduled for January 31, at 09:00 at Sunstar.

American Assembly

1. Marine Rescue Capabilities – No report.
2. EMS Transport – Final report draft has been sent to chiefs for final review and comment.

Affiliate Member Reports

Fire & EMS

Mike Cooksey discussed a cost recovery model ordinance for hazardous materials incidents. Some cities have already adopted the model ordinance distributed by the regional planning council. Pinellas County will be moving forward with adoption of the model ordinance.

Emergency Management

Mike Cooksey reported for Sally Bishop that there will soon be an EMA newsletter for distribution to agencies. Ready Alert is working with the Florida Fire Chiefs Association to offer reduced cost notification services.

Medical Director

The new cardiac arrest protocol went into effect January 1. OMD has conducted some very informal review of the arrest calls so far in January with positive outcomes thus far. They will share this data with the entire system soon. The cardiac arrest form implementation date will be moved to February to allow additional training and form distribution. Dr. Romig is seeking feedback on the form and the protocol.

St. Petersburg College Angel on-line course program is being used for the January CME with positive feedback from users.

Communications/911

Dick Williams reported on the status of the consolidated communications center project. Under the new Penny for Pinellas extension they are approved to seek RFQ for architectural/engineering plan development with likely award in summer 2007. The project is now scheduled to complete in FY2010/2011. Dick also reported that 911 Communications will be entering the known addresses of buildings housing exotic animals such as lions, tigers and bears (Oh My!)

Jackie Weinreich said the 911 Communications staff is looking forward to working with the Operations Chiefs. Jackie distributed the 2006 dispatch demographics. Chief Lewis asked if previous years stats could be provided in one report for comparative analysis. Jackie said this could be done.

St. Petersburg College EMS

No report.

St. Petersburg College Fire

Jim Terry reported that on-line courses were doing very well. He is still working towards the installation of a card reader entry system at the training center for after-hours training officer access.

Red Cross

No report.

SunStar

Received 10 new ambulances – radio installs will be completed next week.

Good of the Organization

Mike Wallace inquired if any organizations had received the new high speed data modems yet. Jackie will check with Pam Montanari regarding the status of the modems and installations.

Mike Cooksey commented on recent Africanized bee seminar and the likely effects on fire rescue responses and PPE.

Mike Wallace will be speaking on Quality Management at Fire-Rescue East.

Seminole Fire Rescue had a successful peer accreditation site visit.

Dunedin Fire Rescue has had its ISO fire protection rating reclassified to Class 2.

Craig Hare provided information regarding the Penny for Pinellas extension.

The meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting is February 1, 2007 at Stacey's Buffet.