

PINELLAS COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

March 6, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Lewis at 12:45 PM and roll call was taken with 24 in attendance. Chief Wallace made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Chief Yaudes corrected the minutes as the meeting times were incorrect. Second by Chief Geer with corrections, motion passed by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report as of March 5, 2008:

PCFCA Checking	\$7,961.44
PCFCA Extrication	\$237.32
PCFCA Training/Ed.	\$9,611.46
SCFSK Checking	\$1,995.68
<u>SCFSK CD</u>	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
Total	\$24,805.90

Chief Geer made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Second by Chief Yaudes, motion passed by voice vote.

The Save Can for Safe Kids investment CD will be renewed in April.

Correspondence

None.

New Business

Chief Angle presented the nominating committee's report and slate of proposed officers for the April elections. The proposed officers are:

President - Dan Graves
Vice-President - Doug Lewis
Past President - James Angle
Secretary/Treasurer Scott McGuff (2nd year of two year term)
South County Director - Gordon Yaudes
North County Director - Jeff Malzone
Mid-County Director - Deryll O'Neal
Director at Large - ????

Chief Wallace reported on a recent meeting on the fire district contract to identify contract language issues and potential language changes.

Unfinished Business

CPAT invoices will be sent in April. Departments that have not yet completed the CPAT survey will need to do this ASAP for the process to move forward.

Committee Reports

Operations Chiefs

No report.

Fire Marshals

The Fire Marshals are working with the county 911 data team to continue the development of a windows based IR CAD account. Beta testing of the software program will be accomplished this spring

PALS

Don Sayre, Tarpon Springs Fire Rescue reported on the ITLS outcomes for those paramedics that have failed. St. Petersburg College has run an early ITLS boot camp to assist in getting paramedics off of clinical restrictions. PALS will seek to create EMS training during CME off-months to assist with those needing National Registry hours.

Training Officers

Randy Keirn, Lealman Fire Rescue reported on the difficulties of developing a county-wide training drill. A DVD has been created by the training officers for distribution to the individual departments to use.

Joe Accetta, Safety Harbor Fire Rescue reported on the work to create marine operations minimum training requirements. Joe distributed an outline of the proposal for review.

- The training officers may forward a request for funding to develop training props.
- Working on standardized NFPA 1410 drills
- Developing 2008 “Stand Down” training materials
- Developing SOP and training materials for operations on the roadway
- Clearwater Fire Rescue is hosting an Honor Guard academy April 15-17, cost is \$175 per attendee

EMS Advisory Council

Chief Geer reported on the upcoming annual meeting.

Chief Saltzman reported on the EMS Management Committee meeting and distributed meeting minutes. He provided an update on the priority dispatch discussions. Dayton cannot attend the next meeting – Chief Fant will attend as an alternate.

Opticom Preemption

Chief Angle reported that the survey has been completed and that the vendor is developing figures for trade-in of existing equipment and pricing for new equipment. PSTA may be interested in “soft” preemption capabilities and the committee is hopeful that there may be some mass transit grant funding available. The next meeting will be scheduled when the vendor has submitted some budget numbers.

Affiliate Member Reports

Fire & EMS Administration

Mike Cooksey reported on alternative revenue ideas from a meeting with Chiefs Graves and Stout. He is working on revenue projections for fees in the unincorporated areas.

Chief Meyer reported that the ALS Incentives sub-committee work was completed and the new CAD procs were in place.

Medical Director

Jeff Barnard reported on the issues with Bayfront trauma center and the lack of neurosurgery coverage which has resulted in the state suspension of trauma center status. A temporary fix has been developed for the next 30 days.

Jeff stated the Bardmoor emergency center is now open and being monitored by OMD.

OMD is working with the county 911 data team to add hospital status to the MDC wireless system.

SunStar

A new transport record was set in February and is projected to be broken in March.

Emergency Management

Sally Bishop reported on the work to overlay the national grid system over the Pinellas grids for mutual aid responders to Pinellas and for Pinellas agencies providing mutual aid elsewhere. Emergency Management is working on:

- Developing basic EM training for line firefighters
- Working to meet with local EM coordinators on a quarterly basis
- Developing a project to focus on Pinellas fuel stations generator /transfer switch capability
- Working to increase EM interaction with large employers

- See the article in the recent EM newsletter regarding GETS communication priority telephone/cellular capability. EOC's would need one card to share within the EOC. Cellular priority may have a monthly service charge for the service.
- E-TEAM software package is coming to Pinellas through UASI and will have 24 additional licenses for local EOC use. The program will likely be web based – Sally hopes to role out the messaging and resource allocation programs first.

Communications/911

Dick Williams reminded all fire agencies that Pam Montanari was willing to assist with AFG grant applications for the replacement of radio equipment.

St. Petersburg College EMS

No report.

St. Petersburg College Fire

No report.

Good of the Organization

The City of Clearwater has developed a trench construction ordinance and fee schedule, it is available for others to examine.

The Pinellas Park Chili Blaze is coming up and proceeds will go to the MDA.

Chief Fant reported on MDC docking port issues Treasure Island has been having. He asked that other agencies contact him if they are also having problems.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 PM.

Next Meeting is April 3, 2008 at Stacey's Buffet.