**Pinellas County Fire Chief’s Association**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**August 1, 2013**

**Attending Members:**

Joe Accetta James Angle

George Bessler Richard Graham

Dan Graves Tom Jamison

Guy Keirn Bill Mallory

Jim Marenkovic Dean O’Nale

Darryl O’Neal Jeff Parks

Robert Polk Dayton Saltsman

Shelby Willis

**Also in Attendance:**

Terry Tokarz

1330-Meeting called to order- Chief Polk

Approval of Minutes of June meeting:

Motion to approve: Chief Mallory. Second: Chief Bessler. Approved unanimously.

**PCFCA Treasurer’s Report:**

**Fund Balances as of August 1st:**

Business Checking: $10,026.80

General Fund 7,547.54

Extrication 113.32

Save Cans for Safe Kids 770.06

Training and Education 1,595.88

Time Account (CD): 5,387.81

Total: **$15,414.61**

**Deposits:**

* None

**Expenses:**

* Check 1125 Business Software Solutions (Website) $45.00

**Dues Received to Date: All departments dues received and current.**

Motion to approve: Chief Bessler. Second: Chief Saltsman. Approved unanimously.

**Guests / Presentations:** None.

**Correspondence:** Information from City of St. Pete for opportunity for a class: Mental Management of Emergencies. 3 days of classes. Open with $35 fee for attendance. Oct. 8,9,10.

**New Business:**

FNC Report (Fire Not on Channel) question as to how problematic it is. Some issue with the report.

Inadvertent on scene (Accetta): Sunstar 764 incidents in 2012. F.D.: Approx. 50 incidents. Wants technology committee to review this to find ways to minimize this.

Concealed weapon protocol: EMS responses – driven by presence of weapon or tone / nature of the call? Should a protocol exist on securing weapons found on scene?

Unified Command (Accetta): L.E.O. and F.D. exploring ways to have common protocols regarding active shooter incidents. Accetta to continue to work on this.

**Unfinished Business:**

SPC Training Center has a personal defense program. Chief O’Nale talked to Jim Terry. SPC wants to do a 3 day self-defense class. Expressed desire to deliver training via CME.

**Committee Reports:**

**Ops Chiefs (Graves):** Meeting next Wednesday. Looking at Safety, 600-20, Retreat, and Hazmat. 600-1 is a completely new rewrite.

**Fire Marshals (Butcher):** N/A

**PALS (Marenkovic):** Start ACLS in August with ACLS prep. MRx needs software updates for QCPR.

Everyone has been trained in EPCR’s and training and can turn on when comfortable

Everyone must bring a book to ACLS testing, and a completed pretest with name printed and at least 84%. $4.50/card for renewal. 84% on test to pass.

CME steering committee is Aug 16th

Everyone is supposed to take a photo of their narcotics lock box.

August is ACLS prep

Sept south county ACLS

Oct SS ACLS

Nov north county ACLS

Dec. M/U & boot camp.

**Training Officers (Bessler):**

* Ask SPC for a list of dates of CME’s to coordinate training with scheduled CME times.
* Looking at countywide rehab policy
* Officer Development moving forward November
* PCSO homicide EMS response and roles
* 600 SOP revisions Training plays an integral part in properly disseminating training
* Firefighter suicide prevention Nov 9
* Largo has opened training facility to outside agencies. Require a 1 year waiver.

**EMS Advisory Council / EMSAC(Angle):** Short meeting. Covered Fitch.

Next meeting date: 8/29

**MDRC: (Saltsman)** Want to combine MDRC with fire dispatch committee. New committee chair is Ruthie Doles.

**Good of the Organization:**

Polk: Idea is being floated to have a countywide chaplain. Will explore further.

Bessler: Suncoast Hospice does grief counseling.

Pagers: Non Motorola brand pager, $88. Identical to the Motorola.

Retiring from Seminole September and starting as Training / EMS Chief with

East Lake F.D.

Graham: Asked who had new radios operational. He is having some repair problems.

Meeting Adjourned at 1507 hours

Next meeting: September 5th, 2013 EPI Center, Largo