General Quarterly Meeting
Hosted by Monterey Park Fire Department
March 11, 2014

A. Call to Order and Introductions:
- President Karen McCoy called the meeting to order at 9:05.
- Lilian Bow (Monterey Park) lead the flag salute.
- Yvette Becker (Monterey Park) read an inspirational poem.
- Fire Chief James Birrell (Monterey Park) welcomed the attendees to the quarterly meeting.
- The attendees gave self-introduction. One new member from West Covina was a first time attendee to the quarterly meeting.

B. Presentations:

C. President's Report:
- President McCoy recognized the contributions Sylvia Moreno (Hermosa Beach) gave to this organization as Past President, Ways & Means Committee Chair and as past and current Recording Secretary.
- President McCoy announced that Tina Hines from El Centro Fire will be appointed Recording Secretary and will be sworn in along with the new executive board members at the 2014 AFSS Academy Banquet.
- President McCoy told the membership that the meeting date for our third quarterly meeting being held at San Luis Obispo has been changed to September 12, 2014.
- President McCoy and President Elect Joyce Reed attended the Cal Chiefs Annual Planning meeting. They gave the membership a brief overview.

D. Consent Calendar:
- Members reviewed the minutes of the December 6, 2013 quarterly meeting and the Treasurer's reports.

  Motion: Gina Molina (Rancho Cucamonga FPD) moved to approve the December 6, 2013 Quarterly Meeting Minutes. Tina Hines (El Centro Fire) seconded the motion. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

E. Section Chief's Report:
- Chief Antonucci not present to report.

F. Correspondence Report:
- Corresponding Secretary Ruth Slusher reported that a "Thank You" card was received from Vicki Varnes (Chino Hills Fire) for the donation made on her behalf to Crittenton Services for Children and a "Sympathy" card was sent to Nancy Roos (San Miguel Fire) for the loss of her husband.

G. Educational Program:

- President Karen McCoy introduced the speakers, Captain Matt Hallock & Captain Shannon Files, both from Monterey Park Fire. Their presentation was "Disaster Preparedness". Captain Hallock mentioned the current fund raiser their department was having for the "Granite Mountain Hotshots Monument" in Arizona. Chief Birrell spoke of the process and what it took to get the New EOC building and what it took to get funding for the "Smart Classroom". A Tour of their station and demonstration of the "Utility Wagon" followed the class.

H. Old Business:

Committee Coordinators

- By Laws and Education – nothing from Valerie Nellis (Heartland Fire)
- Communication – VACANT – no report
- Membership – It was reported that we almost have 70 paid members.
- Ways and Means – VACANT – no report
- Historical – Send any AFSS related pictures you may have to Tina Hines (El Centro). Tina requested a new camera and was told to put it in her budget for next fiscal year.

I. AFSS Newsletter:

- President McCoy asked for volunteers to take on the Newsletter with help from the North. She also mentioned the incentives that we have in place for those who volunteer to be Committee Chairs. (AFSS Bucks = $25.00 that may be used towards quarterly meetings or ½ off membership fee.)

J. 2014 Phil Armentrout Scholarship Winners:

Treasurer, Darilyn O'Dell announced the three winners are: Harmony Brown, CALFIRE/San Luis Obispo County – Los Osos, Annette Arnesen, Santa Fe Springs Fire Rescue, Valerie Nellis, Heartland Fire. The winner for the AFSS scholarship for qualifying new member is, Susan Coffman, San Luis Obispo City Fire.

K. New Business:

- Charitable Contributions

  Darilyn O'Dell announced the "E" board's decision. The recipient for the charitable contribution from AFSS is Rick & Kelly Cheatham.

L. Adjournment

With no additional business to be brought forward, the meeting was adjourned at 1250.

Ruth Slusher
Executive Board, Corresponding Secretary
Substituting for Recording Secretary