

California Fire Chiefs Association

ADMINISTRATIVE FIRE SERVICES SECTION

NORTHERN DIVISION

Minutes
AFSS Joint Executive Board Meetnig
October 22, 2010

LOCATION: Conference Call / UC Davis Fire Department

HOST: Meghan Scannell, UC Davis Fire

ATTENDANCE:

Bev Fuchs, President, North
Sallie Ross-Filgo, 1st Vice President, North
Lara Kelley, 2nd Vice President, North
Jodi Martin, Treasurer, North
Crystal Smyth, Corresponding Secretary, North
Meghan Scannell, Education and Training Committee, North
Kim Stephens, Education and Training Committee, North

ATTENDANCE - via webinar / conference call:

Shawn Crawford, Conference Committee, North Joyce Engler, Past President, North Becky Timmers, President, South Valerie Nellis, 1st Vice President, South Karen McCoy, 2nd Vice President, South Renae Rasmussen, Treasurer, South Vicki Varnes, Corresponding Secretary, South Darilyn O'Dell, Recording Secretary, South Chief Antonucci, Section Chief, South

<u>Call to Order</u> – The Southern E-Board joined the webinar/conference call at 10:45 am

<u>Additions to Agenda/Approval of Agenda</u> - No agenda was distributed for the meeting

President Fuchs reported that Chief Tracey Hansen from Cosumnes Fire Department will be the new North Section Chief.

Ad Hoc Committee: the committee is in process of creating the membership database from the survey responses. The database will be a resource for members to share knowledge, skills, and experience with each other.

Website: President Timmers reported that the Communications Committee is still researching information regarding revising the website and clarified that no action will be taken at this time. She requested that the committee communicate further information with Vicki Varnes and with Shawn Crawford as both divisions and E-Boards will need to approve any changes. Both E-Boards would like to stay informed of the options available so that they are prepared to make a decision when the time comes.

Conference 2011: President Timmers requested that both E-Boards be actively involved in promoting the conference in hopes of improving attendance in the poor economy. Darilyn O'Dell reported that they have two keynote speakers: Major Patricia Murray and Silver Rose. Break-out sessions are also being confirmed. She will be contacting the hotel to get options for a shuttle service to and from Ontario Airport and hopes to know next Monday what can be provided. Palm Springs is the closest airport to the hotel but has limited flight options. Ontario Airport is 1 - 1.5 hours from the hotel. Suggested that members carpool or work together and get joint car rentals. The registration form will be available next month and the registration packet by the end of December or January. The class will have a Leadership Motivation track or a New to the Fire Service / PRP track. Early registration will be \$250 through the end of January and will increase to \$275 in February to April. There will also be an extra charge to non-members to encourage membership. The theme is "Experience AFSS: One can make a difference," There will be a vendor fair with a Mardi Gras theme.

Webinar review: Because only the North E-Board had a camera, the South E-Board could see the North, but not vice versa. To see each other, a camera is needed on both sides. The conference call works well. Chief Antonucci reported that the CalChiefs OPS section is also researching using webinars for their meetings and we discussed the possibility that CalChiefs can purchase a program that all sections can use. Each section could share costs. This would help remote users feel more involved because they could see and hear the meeting without having to leave their office.

Webinar meeting / conference call adjourned at 11:30 am.