

## **Administrative Fire Services Section**

# California Fire Chiefs Association Southern Division

### **AFSS Quarterly Meeting Minutes**

September 9, 2008 Hosted by Corona Fire Department

### A. Call to Order and Introductions:

- President Sylvia Moreno called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m.
- Marta Dunne, Corona Fire Department, led the flag salute.
- Kelley Harper, Corona Fire Department, provided the inspiration.
- Deputy Chief John Madino, Corona Fire Department, welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- The attendees gave self-introductions. There were four first time attendees: Marci Butler (Montclair), Susan Kettner (North County), Sandy Ramsey-Wood (Cathedral City), and Liz Dibb (San Miguel).

### B. Approval of Minutes:

Members reviewed the Minutes of the June 10, 2008 meeting.

**Motion:** Gloria Connors moved to approve the June 10, 2008 quarterly meeting minutes. Valerie Nellis seconded the motion. Vote: Unanimous.

### C. Approval of Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report will be fanned-out as Treasurer Lisa LeCates was unable to attend the meeting. 2nd Vice President Becky Timmers reported that no budget requests were received; therefore, the 2008/2009 budget is approved as submitted. There is nothing new to report on the IRS tax exempt status.

# D. <u>Section Chief's Report</u>:

Chief Benson was not present; however, President Moreno reported on his behalf that one of the biggest concerns that Cal Chiefs has is following the State's Budget and the impact on the Fire Service.

# E. Correspondence Report:

Corresponding Secretary Karen McCoy had nothing to report.

### F. Committee Reports:

#### **Bylaws Committee**

Barbara Altizer reported she attended the July Executive Board meeting in Fallbrook. Now that the Bylaws have been signed, the Southern Division will be the custodian of the master document; Valerie Nellis has agreed to be responsible for the bylaws master document.

#### **Communications Committee**

Robin Brock reported that she attended the July Executive Board meeting in Fallbrook. The focus of the committee through the Fire Circle is to tie together articles and topics as they relate to the education at the quarterly meetings and the season. A New Member Edition of the Fire Circle is being emailed to all new members. The problems with the website are still being addressed, if you have any issues please contact Darilyn O'Dell.

#### **Conference Committee**

Darilyn O'Dell reported that the Northern Division is hosting next year's annual conference in San Jose at the St. Claire Hotel, April 21 -24, 2009.

#### **Education Committee**

Sylvia Moreno reported that Kathy Ford (North County Fire) is the new coordinator of the Education Committee. Other members of the committee are Renae Rasmussen (North County Fire) and Yvette Becker (Monterey Park Fire).

#### **Historical Committee**

Joyce Becker reported that the Historical Committee has a new member – Alicia Hernandez (Chula Vista). They are continuing to scan old photos and working on the 20th Anniversary Memory Book.

#### **Membership Committee**

Terrie Villalpando reported that quite a few members have not paid their dues, which were considered past due on September 1. She is working on the Membership Directory and hopes to have it out in the next few weeks.

#### **Ways and Means Committee**

Sandy Magallanez (Chino Valley Fire) reported that the Ways and Means Committee is still in need of a coordinator. She distributed photos and a survey sheet of potential items they are looking to sell.

### G. <u>Educational Program</u>:

The education program for this meeting was done in two sessions.

The first portion was titled "Administrative Fire Academy - A Better Understanding of Fire Service Culture, Operations and Terminology" presented by San Gabriel Fire Department Battalion Chief Richard Beckman.

The second portion titled "Celebrate Your AFSS Membership – An Overview of AFSS History, Business Practices, Activities and Programs" was presented by past and present AFSS Presidents and Board Members.

### H. Special Presentation:

Sylvia Moreno presented Marta Dunne, Kelley Harper and Terrie Villalpando with certificates of appreciation for hosting the quarterly meeting in Corona.

### I. Old Business:

#### **Brochure**

The assignment to development an AFSS brochure was assigned to an ad hoc committee in December 2007. Circumstances have slowed the progress and the creation of the brochures has now being reassigned to the Communication Committee. The new brochures will have the new 20th Anniversary logo and wording.

### J. New Business:

#### **Charitable Contributions**

Sylvia Moreno announced that the \$100 quarterly contribution will be donated to the Kevin Vicary Family Trust.

### K. Round Table Discussion

Ronda Guillaume, Cathedral City FD – The See's Candy drive has begun. The submission deadline is November 10.

Becky Timmers, North County FPD – Nominations for the 2008 Member of the Year are due no later than October 31.

Sylvia Moreno, Hermosa Beach FD – She will be missing the next two quarterly meetings due to vacation and attendance at the National Fire Academy. Please bring gifts for all ages to the December quarterly meeting for burn hospitals. She needs a volunteer to distribute them this year as she will be out of the country on vacation.

### L. Adjournment

With no additional business to be brought forward, the meeting was adjourned at 2:48 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, December 12, 2008 hosted by San Miguel Consolidated Fire Protection District.

Darilyn O'Dell

Executive Board, Recording Secretary

Darilyn Q'Dell

# **Quarterly Meeting Attendees**

September 9, 2008

Attendee Agency Barbara Altizer South Pasadena Fire, Retired Susan Bathhurst Big Bear City Fire Joyce Becker Ontario Fire Yvette Becker Monterey Park Fire Robin Brock Rancho Cucamonga Fire Marci Butler Montclair Fire Gloria Connors Chino Valley Fire **Orange County Fire Authority** Kathy Danskin Riverside City Fire Linda Daughtery Jodie Dennis Monrovia Fire Liz Dibb San Miguel Fire Christine Duker Orange County Fire Authority Corona Fire Marta Dunne Corinne Flores Big Bear Lake Fire Kathy Ford North County Fire Cathedral City Fire Ronda Guillaume **Fullerton Fire** Irma Gullickson Kelley Harper Corona Fire Marti Hendrix San Bernardino County Fire, Retired Alicia Hernandez Chula Vista Fire Laguna Beach Fire, Retired Carrie Joyce North County Fire Susan Kettner Sandy Magallanez Chino Valley Fire Debbie Matthews Riverside County Fire Riverside City Fire Karen McCoy\* Gina Molina Rancho Cucamonga Fire Sylvia Moreno\* Hermosa Beach Fire Svetlana Moure Garden Grove Fire Ana Neira Laguna Beach Fire Valerie Nellis **Heartland Fire Communications** Darilyn O'Dell\* San Miguel Fire Lorrie Ortiz Santa Ana Fire Peggy Palmer Pasadena Fire Twenty-Nine Palms Fire Lynzi Parker Paris Prophet Orange County Fire Authority Sandy Ramsey-Wood Cathedral City Fire Renae Rasmussen North County Fire Laurie Rice San Bernardino County Fire, Retired Cathy Thomas Ontario Fire Becky Timmers\* North County Fire Chino Valley Fire Vicki Varnes

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Terrie Villalpando Sheila Waddel

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