



San Mateo County Fire Chiefs Association

ADVANCEMENT THRU UNITY IN ADMINISTRATION

Joe Telles – President
Geoff Balton - Vice President
Dan Ghiorso – Secretary

February 19th 2009
Minutes
Operation's Group

Meeting called to order at 0900 hrs.

Member Attendance

Belmont/San Carlos	Mike Gaffney
Cal Fire	
Coastside Fire	
Central County Fire	Ed Barton
Foster City	Jim Scott
Menlo Park	Tim Campbell
Millbrae Fire	Kevin McWhirter
Millbrae Fire	Ron Lavezzo
North County Fire	
Redwood City	Geoff Balton
Redwood City	Stan Maupin
San Bruno	Joe Telles
San Mateo Fire	
So. SF Fire	
Woodside	

Outside Representative Attendance

Fire Chief Liaison	Dan Belville
OES	NA
PSC	Don Maynard
TO	Kevin McWhirter
EMS	NA
FPO	NA
SFFD	NA

Approval of Minutes

Approval of minutes motioned by Mike Gaffney and seconded by Ron Lavezzo.
Approved

Fire Chiefs' Report

Report given by Dan Belville

- Daryl Jones made presentation to Fire Chiefs. Command 31 to use old Millbrae Public Works Channel, to be in service estimated 2 months.
- Facing unfunded liability for new radios and MST's.
- Phase 1 of radio plan came under budget.
- OPS Group to make presentation to Fire Chiefs in May and September.
- SSF made presentation on EOC interoperability.
- EMS met deadline to come in by Feb. 13th, to come up with tentative agreement to go to Board of Supervisors on March 6th.
- State OPS is finalizing process to use EMT-P's during Fire Season. Chief Belville to get us the process when done.
- State OPS working on DL 170 program to make it easier for FF's to get tested and licensed for class B driving license.
- BSC, Woodside, RWC and MP denied grant for Mobile Radios.
- Chiefs want OES to work on plan for delivering OES resources.

OES Report

No Report

- Cal Task Force USAR 3 will have a drill 1/17 & 18 at CSM.
- 1/25 BART drill scheduled.
- 3/11 EOC drill 9-12
- OES working on their resource list. TNS system working on that to improve it and reduce cost. Cost will be absorbed by OES. List will include Public Works for Mutual Aid.

EMS Report

Report by

- EMS document to be provided on line to OPS by Chief Belville.
- San Mateo County (Cal Fire) will be part of JPA.
- Revenues will stay the same

PSC Report

Report by Don Maynard

- Looking at budget, need to cut 270,000 in 2009-2010 budget. Need to trim OT.

- Stats for yearend completed.
- Upcoming CE for dispatchers.

TO Report

Report given Kevin McWhirter

- Wildland Training at Camp Parks June 23&24.
- Possible wildland training at Edgewood, Russian Ridge and Cloverday.
- Wildland Training at Hunter Liggett burns on June 4, 5, 6&7.

FPO Report

No Report Given
Topics Discussed

- LEOSD
- Nobody has signed off on Map of Mutual Threat Zones

Old Business:

BART report by Joe Telles

- New Chair is Kevin McWhirter, with joint committee between OPS and TO's.

USAR

- USAR update, County meeting for USAR committee of OPS on Feb. 25th to look at grant monies and responses.

High Rise Policy

- Stan Maupin gave power point presentation on rough draft of High Rise Policy. OPS needs to study and give input.

New Business

Committees and Members

- Radio Committee
 - Chair
- BART Drill and Policies
 - Chair, McWhirter
 - Drew Flinders

- Joe Telles
 - Todd Johnson
 - TO rep
- High Rise Training (OP's assisting TO's)
 - Chair, Ron Lavezzo
 - Geoff Balton
 - Stan Maupin
 - Ed Barton
- Joint Meeting with TO's
 - Chair, Joe Telles
- USAR- assessing equipment needs; writing guideline policy.
 - Chair, Drew Flinders
 - Tom Azzopardi
 - Frank Fraone
 - Todd Johnson
 - Larry Whitney
 - Jim Frey
- Emergency Response Directory
 - Chair, Brennan Blue
 - Bill O'Callahan
 - Frank Fraone
- Standardized alarm response plans.
 - Chair, John Healy
 - Todd Johnson
 - Mike Gaffney
 - Don Maynard
- Landing Zones-all cities
 - Chair, Dan Ghiorso
 - Brennan Blue
 - Jim Comiskey
 - Bob Ballard
 - Bill O'Callahan, contact
- Water Rescue Plan
 - Chair, Tim Campbell
 - Tom Azzopardi
 - FOS TBD
 - RWC TBD
- O'Haul Policy
 - Chair, Mike Gaffney
 - Todd Johnson
 - Jim Scott

Significant Calls & Roundtable

Belmont/San Carlos: Mike Gaffney

- Have 3 vacancies.

- Haz Mat call on Safeway on Ralston. Fire Extinguisher was discharged. Called Health Department.

Cal Fire:

Central County Fire: Ed Barton

- Budget cuts force Truck to go from 4 to 3. 5% budget cuts next year.

Coastside Fire:

Millbrae/San Bruno:

- No Report

San Mateo: Dan Belville

- SMF to provide near miss report for everybody on a near collapse in an unoccupied building.
- Cuts made to budget previously will keep department whole in budget for 2009-2010.

Menlo Park Fire:

North County Fire:

Redwood City Fire: Geoff Balton

- Working on typing wildland vehicles.

Woodside Fire:

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 hours

Next Operations' meeting: **March 19th, 2009** @ Foster City Community Center at 0900 hours.