

DISTRICT 13 TRAINING ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

October 27, 2011

Members present: Emmitt Cornford, Dave Kingsbury, Mari Bottoms, Larry Wooldridge, Phil & Judy Whitley, Kevin Silvernail, George Jamieson, Scott Goff, Karine Aebi, Jerry Hampton, Sam Martin, Chancy Ferguson, Howard Payton, Tim Peters, Dan Weitz and Corinna Jacobs.

The meeting was called to order by President Chancy Ferguson at 8:07 pm. The minutes from the last meeting were read. Emmitt Cornford moved to approve the minutes as read, and the motion was seconded by Dave Kingsbury. Motion was approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: There is no treasurer's report at this time due to the treasurer being at elk camp.

Fall Fire School: Due to a drastic reduction in registrations, classes were cancelled and some classes were consolidated and lunch was not furnished this year. Therefore it was decided to reduce the price to \$40 per student. Some suggestions for next year are moving the date, offering entertainment such as a trap shoot or skills contest, advertising heavily, plotting an IC plan and offering 4 hour blocks instead of 8 hour classes. Sam Martin moved to change the date to October 20-21, 2012. Tim Peters seconded the motion and it passed. Because of the date change, we will need to consider a different location. George Jamieson reminded of the gradual decline in participation due to lack of member involvement. He suggested a survey to determine the needs of the local member departments and what we can do to draw the local crowds. Emmitt Cornford suggested an online survey as well as a paper one and Dave Kingsbury proposed starting early with our own individual departments.

DPSST – George states that applications are open for the second semester of NFA. Firefighter fatalities are down nationwide. He and Rocky are offering two new classes for drill training – hybrid vehicles and Courage to be Safe so Everyone Goes Home. Contact them to schedule in advance. Farm Rescue training at Parma is Nov 5th & 6th, and Winter Fire School will be Feb 25th & 26th.

DLO – Emmitt reports that he has three more accreditation reviews to complete for the end of the year. The BOSS program is available to submit certification applications online, but each department has to call to set it up.

Recent Fires: Haines Fire responded to a propane leak which was the result of miscommunication between the gas company, the renter and the homeowner.

Proposed Trainings: The 2012 FFI academy will be held in Union County the last two weekends in Jan and the first two weekends in Feb. Judy Whitley requested some generic trainings such as power poles or propane leaks for all firefighters not specific to certifications. It was decided to plan wildland training and a Fire Ground Leader Academy at the next meeting.

State Fire Marshall's Office: Scott Goff talked about the Brownsville Complex where an engine company took refuge in a river as their egress was impassable for a time. The entire report is available online. Scott introduced Karine Aebi, the new Deputy State Fire Marshal who is replacing Richard Smith at the Ontario office. She can be reached at the same office and cell numbers.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:18 pm. The next meeting will be Thursday, November 17th at 7:00 pm at the Haines Steak House.

Respectfully submitted by Corinna Jacobs, Secretary

Chancy Ferguson, President

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