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Fire Chiefs' Meeting Minutes

Date: January 21, 2015

Location: Boy Scouts of America - Evendale

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 09:00 HOURS; CHIEF LEININGER PRESIDING.

Pledge/Invocation by: Chief Leininger

Swearing in of new Officers by: Chief Smith

Chief Rob Leininger – President
Chief Mike Hauck – Treasurer
Chief Terry Ramsey – Secretary
Chief Todd Owens – Executive Board Member
Chief Kevin Hardwick – Executive Board Member

Roll-Call of Officers

President Chief Leininger - Present	
Treasurer Chief Hauck - Present	
Secretary Chief Ramsey - Present	
Chief Hardwick - Present	Chief Ober - Absent
Chief Owens - Present	Chief Jones - Present
Chief Braun – Present	

New Chiefs

Alan Walls was introduced by Chief Cook as the new Asst. Chief of Colerain Twp FD

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

- Those present were recognized.

PRESENTATIONS – William Stoffregen (Western & Southern) and Lance Clayton (Cintas) presentation of a Free CPR manikin and AED program

Recognition – Chief Leininger presented Chief Ralph Hammonds with an award for his service as a past HCFA Executive Board member.

REGIONAL COLLABORATION

CFD – Chief Braun

- Chief Lakamp commented on the good work by all agencies at the overpass collapse onto I75

PHCV – Chief Leininger for Tom Wolf

- No report next meeting Jan 28th
- Chief Owens reminded all members that the new drug license renewal is to be completed on-line in March.

Duke Energy – Susan Browning

- See attachment

HCCC – Jason Dunn

- Sometime in March or April the radio upgrade and MARCS template should be complete.
- CAD upgrade should be complete by November
- The final meeting for the 911 Task Force is set for Feb 2nd. After that meeting a comprehensive report will be delivered to the Ham. Co. Commissioners with details to help reduce the dispatch rates. Mr. Dunn said that he would expect some type of levy suggested.

GC Hazmat – Brook Matzen

- 11 call outs in December (24 for the year)
- A letter was sent to Chiefs regarding training attendance or membership termination of their personnel.
- Radiological kits should have been dropped off for recalibration. CFD, Golf Manor, Springdale and St. Bernard have not yet done so. Need them by Jan 27th.
- Haz Mat Officer/Safety Officer course at office. 3 day course – 1 day for 3 months call if interested.
- Mercury training on Feb 14th 0900 at their office. Taught by US EPA.

Homeland Security/EMA

- New director – Nick Crosley

LEPC – no report

OFC/UASI/SOSINK – Chief Wright

OFC

- Winter symposium and legislative reception March 17 and 18

- Annual Conf. July 16 to 19th at Easton – Gordon Graham and Randal Mantooth (AKA Johnny Gage) to appear
- Constitutional change to allow for electronic voting
- New Sate EMA Director Evan Shuman
- Legislation – topics (Fireworks, Trauma/Stroke, Community Paramedic programs, Residential egress and School secondary locking devices, Photoelectric smoke detectors)
- Fire Chief credentialing is popular
- MARCS radio funding meeting coming up
- OAPFF – cancer summit next month
- State Fire Marshal bringing more programs out to regions
- Medicare investigations and background checks – looking into
- OFC and Lexipol partnership – assistance with SOG/SOPs

UASI/SOSINK

- No report

Southwest Ohio Fire Chiefs – AC Rupp – Chief Ober – no report

- New President – Chief Steve Kelly – Miami Twp FD - Clermont

Hamilton County Sheriff – Jim Knapp

- Sheriff Jim Neil along with Jim Knapp reported on the results of the Guns and Hoses Boxing event. It raised over \$107,000 with \$60,000 of the funds being shared equally by the police and fire departments of Hamilton County. Programs such as “Shield” and “Fallen Firefighters” have benefited from this event.

President’s Report - Chief Leininger

- Will present a report on the accomplishments of 2014 next month.
- **Some goals for 2015**
 - Communications issues – work on a possible grant for radio replacement
 - Succession plan for USAR
 - Would like to see a Training Committee
 - General survey and Questionnaire for other goals
 - Need for Representatives to assist committee chairs
 - Appointed Chief Mark Ober to replace Chief Smith as VP of the HCFCA

Vice President’s Report

- Chief Smith – presented the final MA agreement
- Moved to accept the document as written – 1st Chief Owens 2nd Chief S. Ober
- All were in favor – MA agreement approved

Treasurer’s Report

- Chief Hauck – \$22,000 in General Fund account. USAR account \$15,000
- Request to amend Article IV Section 5 to change the maximum amount to expend without Board approval to \$500 – with Board approval to \$750 and anything over

\$750 Association approval. 1st reading – motion to approval 1st Souders 2nd S. Ober – motion approved – will have second reading next month.

Secretary's Report

- Chief Ramsey – December's minutes approved – 1st Wright 2nd Hauck

DISCUSSIONS/ACTION ITEMS

Mutual Aid Agreement – Chief Smith

- See VP report

Associate Member request

- Paul Davis Restoration – after a lengthy discussion it was suggested that some guidelines should be developed for all associate members to follow. The Board will take this under consideration. The application will be tabled.

COMMITTEE/TASK FORCE AND TEAM REPORTS

Communications – AC Souders

- The committee is looking at assigning the HCFIU with an identifier – ideally 600

USAR – Chief Ashbrock

- Call out to Colerain
- Trainings – confined space at BAFD and Water Rescue scheduled for May

COMMAND 400 – AC Mike Siefke

- New contract with AT&T

Other Business –

- Jim Whitworth – Great Oaks – discussion regarding CPAT equipment that they have on site.
 - It costs them \$5000 per year to maintain the certification for testing.
 - They can no longer afford it – not cost effective.
 - The question is – Does the HCFCFA have a need or desire to provide this service?

Thanks to Host:

- Evendale and BSA.

Meeting adjourned at 1045

Next Meeting: February 18, 2015 at Boy Scouts of America, Reading Road, Evendale, 09:00.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chief Terry J. Ramsey, Secretary

