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### **Fire Chiefs' Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** February 16, 2022

**Location:** Scarlet Oaks and virtual via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 09:02 with Chief Hauck presiding.

#### **Roll-Call of Officers**

President Mike Hauck – Present

Vice President Kevin Hardwick – Present

Treasurer Todd Owens – Present

Secretary Denny Meador – Present

Chief Doug Campbell – Present

Chief Steve Oughterson – Absent

Chief Rob Hursong – Present

Chief Allen Walls – Present

Chief Bryan Young – Present

Past President Rob Leininger – Absent

#### **Associate Members**

##### Mobilcomm

Terry Connaughton thanked the membership for allowing him to attend and wishes for everyone to stay safe.

##### Trihealth

Kay Vonderschmidt, no report.

##### 859-BOARD-UP

Jessie Grabert reported that they are under new management.

### University of Cincinnati

Larry Bennett reported the pet therapy program is well underway. Contact HCCC if you need their services.

### UC Health

Regina Menninger, no report.

### 9258 Wealth Management

Pete Bohrofen reported the following are the top three performers for Ohio Deferred Comp:

1. Dodge & Cox
2. Vanguard Institutional Index
3. Templeton Foreign

It is expected the Federal Reserve will be hiking interest rates in the near future to try to slow down the rise of inflation.

### Tri State Peer Support Team

Amy Foley provided information on upcoming training and House Bill 545, which will provide privacy protections to peer support teams. The information is attached to these minutes.

### 1-800-BOARDUP

Tom Camp distributed a flyer to the membership, which is attached to these minutes.

### Scarlet Oaks

Johnny Mason reported that a new Fire and Rescue Academy class has started. Planning is underway to establish a paramedic program at Scarlet Oaks.

## **Regional Collaboration**

### HCCC

Director Andy Knapp reported the following:

- They are still 22 dispatchers under their authorized strength of 65.
- Negotiations with the union are continuing, and they will be moving to fact-finding in March.
- Closing on the new communications facility is expected on February 22.

It was asked if there was a contingency plan if the ranks of dispatchers continued to decrease. Director Knapp reported that at this time, supervisors and management are filling in open shifts. In order to move to 12-hour shifts to cover the schedule, the county commissioners would need to declare an emergency. He does not expect it will be necessary to make that declaration.

### EMA

Director Nick Crossley reported the following:

- Renovation of the new HCCC and EMA building will take approximately 12-16 months to

complete.

- The cache of PPE is still adequate.
- The federal government approved the USAR drone program. Purchasing of equipment is underway.

Morgan Peterson reported that Severe Weather Awareness Week will be March 20-26. One of the goals for EMA in 2022 is to continue to build out the EOC Team.

Stephanie Dane reported that there are still openings for the ICS 300 class in April and the ICS 400 class in May. These will be offered again this fall.

#### GCHMU

No report.

#### USAR

Chief Tom Lakamp presented the USAR report, and a copy is attached to these minutes.

#### PHCOC

Chief Owens reported the next Protocol Committee meeting will take place on February 25 at the IAFF 48 hall. EDS meets on March 25. Please check your emails for required Ohio stroke reporting.

#### HCFIU

No report

#### Treasurer

Chief Owens presented the financial report to the membership, which is attached to these minutes. Invoices will be emailed soon. Motion to accept the report by Chief Hursong, second by Chief Tom McCabe. Motion approved.

#### President

Chief Hauck thanked the departments that previously stored the USAR vehicles, and reported that the board is exploring options for a permanent home for the vehicles and equipment.

#### Vice President

Chief Hardwick reported the MCI equipment from the Red Cross is being stored in a trailer at Station 45. There is a chance to acquire a used ambulance from Forest Park to use rather than a trailer.

The FACE Team is making adjustments to the leadership team to help distribute the workload. There is interest from departments in northern Kentucky to join and make it a regional team.

Chief Hardwick yielded to Chief Young for the MCI drill update. The drill will be an active shooter

scenario at the Jewish Community Center in Amberley Village. The drill is on April 16 from 08:00-12:00, and lunch will be provided. Please review the RTF training link video on the HCFA web page. Thanks to Cincinnati Fire for producing the video. There is still a need for fire and police participants. The next planning meeting is on February 28 at 13:00 at Station 91.

#### Secretary

Chief Meador reported the minutes for the January meeting and February board meeting have been distributed. Motion to accept the report by Chief Owens, second by Chief Hardwick. Motion approved.

#### Communications Committee

Chief Scott Souders reported an "At Hospital" status feature will be added for those using the automatic status changes on their MDC.

The cyano kit discussion has turned out to be a little more complex than initially anticipated. They are continuing to work on the policy.

#### **Old Business**

None

#### **New Business**

Cincinnati Assistant Chief Sherman Smith reported on a new tool being developed called "Pulse Point". This phone app connects CPR providers and AEDs to reports of nearby cardiac arrests to facilitate early CPR. There will be a professional version for firefighters that will work similarly to Active911 to connect trained personnel to the patients in a timely fashion. CFD will keep the membership updated on the rollout.

#### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50.

#### **Next March 16, 2022**

Respectfully submitted,  
Chief Denny Meador, Secretary