

Colorado State Fire Chiefs' Association
Annual Membership Meeting
November 29, 2007 - Breckenridge, CO
Minutes

I. Introduction of members and recognition of guests

- a. There were over 100 members in attendance
- b. Guests Present
 - i. Dan Gibbs State Representative and Senate Elect for District 12 -
 - 1. Thanked the fire service for their commitment.
 - 2. Promised to work legislatively for the fire service.
 - ii. Steve Westermann – IAFC
 - 1. Listed the accomplishments of the IAFC
 - 2. Detailed our Goals in Service, Member Benefits, and on-going programs.
 - 3. Discussed lobbying efforts
 - 4. Discussed critical issues confronting the fire service.
 - 5. Discussed partnerships and collaborations.
 - 6. Discussed the upcoming FRI in Denver.

II. Educational Program

- a. Channel 9 Health Fair
 - i. Overview of program
 - ii. They need IV certified Firefighters to help with blood draws
- b. Colorado Safe Haven for Newborns
 - i. Program supports getting the word out on the State's Safe Haven Law.
 - ii. Presented by Jack Cozens
- c. Statewide Credentialing System for Emergency Responders – Micheline Casey – Director of Identity Management
 - i. The state is developing a First Responder Authentication Credential (FRAC) system.
 - ii. The FEMA categories include more job types than fire and police
 - iii. Credentialed individuals will need to successfully pass a criminal background check
 - iv. The background check will also verify professional skills and knowledge
 - v. There are currently no statewide standards for such a system.
 - vi. Q & A
 - 1. Will this system interface with ROSS and/or the DFS certification system?
 - 2. What issues will cause a person to be disqualified in the background?
 - a. There is a set list of disqualifiers, plus the circumstances of the event and time since it occurred are taken into consideration.
- d. State Fire Marshal White Paper Presentation – Paul Cooke
 - i. Summary of issues presented in the paper – these were discussed I the round table forum in La Junta in September.
 - ii. There may be legislation offered this year.

VIII. New Business

- a.** 2008 Legislative agenda – this is based on member input
 - i.** Cleanup of School Inspection Program legislation
 - ii.** Re-organization of Homeland Security
 - iii.** Possible State Fire Marshal legislation
 - iv.** Fire Safer Cigarettes
 - v.** Monitor possible collective bargaining legislation
 - vi.** Trauma Care – there are many bills but none are very good.
- b.** Approval of 2008 Budget
 - i.** Will require dues increase of 5% to balance the budget.
 - ii.** Motion by Mygatt – 2nd by Riley to increase dues
 - iii.** Motion approved.
 - iv.** Motion by Mullin – 2nd by Pischke to approve budget
 - v.** Motion Approved

IX. Section Reports

- a.** Missouri Valley – Mullin
 - i.** 2008 Conference will be in July in Joplin, MO
 - ii.** 2009 will be in Overland, KS
 - iii.** 2010 will be in Denver
- b.** Emergency Management Committee
 - i.** Has been in existence for 2 years
 - ii.** Provides for interstate mutual aid
- c.** South Central Region – Riley
 - i.** Pueblo CC will be starting a Fire Science Program

X. Meeting Adjourned

XI. Next General Membership Meeting – March 14th at South Metro Fire Rescue.