

METRO DENVER FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION MEETING

March 30, 2007

Dixon's Downtown Grill, 1610 16th Street, Denver, CO

Those signing the attendance roster were as follows:

Jim Payne	Wheat Ridge Fire Department
John Bales	Golden Fire
Larry Trujillo	Denver Fire
Jim Sestrich	Denver Fire
Robert Tade	Denver Fire
Don Lombardi	West Metro Fire
Bill Lucatuorto	Inter-Canyon Fire
George Ditolla	Southwest Adams County Fire
Paul Cooke	Colorado State Fire Chiefs' Association
Theresa Staples	Colorado Division of Fire Safety
John Mullin	Littleton Fire
Greg Sheehan	Thornton Fire
Tim Parker	Louisville Fire
Dennis Hoke	Buckley Fire
Steve Pischke	Mountain View Fire
Bruce Mygatt	Boulder Rural Fire
Vince Turner	Parker Fire
D.J. Himstedt	Indian Hills Fire
Jim Cloud	Westminster Fire
Chris Forkner	ATF
Matt Horace	ATF
Mickey Leonard	VFIS Insurance
Mitch Siegel	ICA, Inc.
Bill Bryan	Action Care Ambulance
Bert Ferguson	Action Care Ambulance
Road Chandler	Colorado Fire & Flood, Inc.
Matt Coyle	Colorado Fire & Flood, Inc.

- Call to Order - President John Bales called the meeting to order at 7:33 A.M.
- Introductions- All assembled introduced themselves.
- Approval of Minutes – Motion passed, previous minutes approved.
- Financial Numbers- No report...Treasurer on vacation.

Old Business

- Guest Speaker – AXA Advisors, Inc. and Public Safety Financial Group gave a presentation on plans for firefighters on financial planning. They are currently engaged with Denver Fire, and wanted to offer their services to all fire service agencies. Consultants Melissa Bloeser (AXA), Rex Emery and Chris Mueser (Public Safety), distributed information and asked that anyone with questions give them a call at 720-946-4353.
- Guest Speaker – Chris Forkner with ATF introduced a new ATF manager in the Denver area. Matt Horace was introduced and stated he is always there to support the fire service in any way he can.
- Presentation – President Chief John Bales presented former Secretary/Treasurer Bill Lucatuorto a plaque thanking him for the two years he served in the position.
- Legislation & State Chiefs' Assoc. – Paul Cooke reviewed all the legislative issues at hand. It was distributed in hard copy and is quite a lengthy document. The review was a good discussion with a few questions asked. Paul also mentioned that the State Chiefs' Association would love to have some corporate sponsors. If you know of any business that might be interested, please contact Paul. And, don't forget to look at the State Chiefs' logo apparel. Shop, shop, shop.
- Missouri Valley Division – Chief Mullin reminded everyone of the upcoming conference scheduled to be held in Rapid City. He also discussed the vibe alert and radio interference problem. He met with the representatives from Scott Corp. and Motorola, who are looking into the situation. Both NIOSH & the International have warnings out on this.
- South Operations Chiefs – No report.
- USAR – Chief Lombardi stated the IST positions at the national level have been filled and several were filled with Denver Fire personnel. Chris with the ATF told everyone of an experience he had recently when he attended TEEEX in College Station, Texas. He did some USAR training and highly recommends the training site to everyone. He asked that if you're in the area, at least stop in and visit it.

New Business

- Cancun Fire Dept. - Chief Trujillo told every one of three firefighters that were killed in Cancun, Mexico. Through several discussions with the fire chief there, he learned how very poor the fire department was and the very old equipment, or lack of equipment, they have. He stated he will be sending out a list of items that he believes would really help put the Cancun fire department back on its feet and be safer for our fellow firefighters.
- Services for the Baltimore Firefighter – Chief Bales thanked everyone for the support in handling the Baltimore firefighter's service recently.

Next MDFCA meeting dates:

May 25, 2007

September 28, 2007

November 16, 2007