

METRO DENVER FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION MEETING

May 25, 2007

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

The following 30 persons signed the attendance roster (two names were illegible):

Mitch Siegel	ICA, Inc.
Dan Mulrone	South Metro Fire Rescue
Tim Ruperto	Buckley Fire
Bob Norris	Black Hawk Fire
John Bales	Golden Fire
Greg Sheehan	Thornton Fire
Mike Pattarozzi	Englewood Fire
Jim Payne	Wheat Ridge Fire
John Greer	Arvada Fire
Ian LaFarge	Edgewater Fire
George Ditolla	Southwest Adams County Fire
Jim Notary	North Washington Fire
Dan Qualman	Parker Fire
Larry Trujillo	Denver Fire
David Reynolds	COCAT
Steve Pischke	Mountain View Fire
Mike Hite	AMR
Don Angell	Fairmount Fire
Bill Easterling	Genesee Fire
Allen Powers	Action Care
D. J. Himstedt	Indian Hills Fire
Bill Lucatuorto	Inter-Canyon Fire
Ron Carter	Sheridan Fire
Art Morales	Castle Rock Fire
Bruce Mygatt	Boulder Rural Fire
Doug McBee	West Metro Fire
Ralph Vickrey	Cunningham Fire
Andrew Marsh	Federal Heights Fire

1. Call to Order - President John Bales called the meeting to order at 7:26 a.m.

2. Introductions - All assembled introduced themselves.

3. Approval of Minutes - Motion to approve the March 30, 2007 minutes as distributed was seconded and passed.

4. Financial Report - Secretary/Treasurer Andrew Marsh provided a verbal report. Checking beginning balance as of 1/2/07 was \$891.38 and ending balance as of 5/24/07 was \$1,582.42. Savings beginning balance as of 12/27/06 was \$6,340.06 and ending

balance as of 4/24/07 was \$6,340.66. As of 5/24/07, 40 agencies have paid their annual dues. Motion to approve the Financial Report was seconded and passed.

5. Presentation

- International Association of Fire Chiefs – Acting IAFC Director Mark Light was present to kick-off the 2008 Fire Rescue International (FRI) conference in Denver. The 2007 FRI conference will be held in Atlanta this August. The IAFC goal is to be the trusted source for information and knowledge in our profession. A battle is occurring regarding the definition of line of duty death for the Public Safety Officers' Benefit program. The IAFC is working with the White House and on Capitol Hill regarding this matter. The Fire Act is the largest one lump sum direct grant program. The 2007 Firefighter Stand-Down will include a recommended wellness check at shift change. IAFC conferences generate 60 percent of the operating revenue for the organization. The IAFC would like to have the Colorado chiefs as partners for the conference in Denver. Of the 15,000 conference attendees, 33 percent are with departments serving populations less than 10,000. The dates for the 2008 FRI in Denver are as follows: Pre-Conference 8/12-13; Company Officer Symposium 8/12-14; Concurrent Education 8/14-16; Exhibits 8/15-16. The 2008 Democratic National Convention (DNC) will be held in Denver 8/25-28. Help is needed for the 2008 FRI in Denver. It is an important goal to increase the foot traffic on the exhibit floor, and free passes are available. Chief Larry Trujillo ended with some comments on behalf of the Denver Fire Department.

6. Old Business

- EMS – Chief Ralph Vickrey provided an update on the Trauma Coalition. Bills passed were sent to the Governor, and the Coalition is gearing up for the no-fault/tort debate. The e-mail surveys are important. Please pass them on to EMS to handle. SEMTAC grant funding will soon be available. Please submit applications.
- Legislation – No report.
- Missouri Valley Division – No report.
- USAR – Chief Doug McBee provided a report on USAR's involvement in Greensburg, Kansas.
- South Operations Chiefs – Chief Mike Patterozzi reported that communications SOPs have been standardized and adopted.
- Metro Mutual Aid – President Bales reported that the agreement will be left as is for now.
- Equipment for Cancun – Chief Trujillo reported that equipment is still needed for the Cancun Fire Department. A list of needed equipment has been distributed.
- Other Old Business – None

7. New Business

- Firefighter Memorial – Chief McBee reported that the Colorado Fallen Firefighters' Memorial was held in Lakewood last Saturday. President Bales proposed that the MDFCA buy a brick for the Memorial. Motion by Chief Greg Sheehan to purchase an 8x8 brick was seconded by Chief Bruce Mygatt and passed. Chief McBee said that an alternate date for the Memorial is being considered. The annual CFFF Golf

Tournament will be held June 20 and is sponsored by COCAT. Players are needed. There are 56 spots available. Potentially, \$29,000-\$30,000 is raised. Motion by Chief Trujillo to purchase a golf foursome at half the cost for the participants was seconded by Chief Bill Lucatuorto and passed. An e-mail will be sent out to the chiefs.

- MDFCA Logo – A new MDFCA logo is needed. Chief Trujillo will head this up.

8. 2008 Scheduled meetings

- September 28, 2007
- November 16, 2007

9. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 a.m.