

METRO DENVER FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION MEETING
September 26, 2008
CAFÉ del SOL
608 GARRISON ST SUITE A, LAKEWOOD, COLORADO

The following 29 people signed the attendance roster:

1. John Bales	Golden Fire
2. Jerry Rhodes	Cunningham Fire
3. Ralph Vickery	Cunningham Fire
4. John Mullin	Littleton Fire
5. Tim Ruperto	Buckley Fire
6. Dennis Hoke	Buckley Fire
7. Steve Pischke	Mountain View Fire
8. Don Lombardi	West Metro Fire
9. Doug McBee	West Metro Fire
10. Dan Qualman	Parker/South Metro Fire
11. Andrew Marsh	Federal Heights Fire
12. Bruce Mygott	Boulder Rural Fire
13. Steve Klausch	Action Care
14. Bill Wallace	Action Care
15. Mark Bodane	Greater Brighton Fire
16. George Ditolla	Southwest Adams Fire
17. Jim Notary	North Washington Fire
18. John Staley	Thornton
19. Leo Giuliano	Thornton
20. Cris Brewer	Golden Fire
21. Mike Pattarozzi	Englewood Fire
22. Wayne Jochem	Denver Sheriff
23. Alan Colon	Commerce City OEM
24. Chris Mueser	AXA
25. Elizabeth Lancaster	University of Phoenix
26. Korey Williams	University of Phoenix
27. Jamie Bruce	DRI
28. Bill Easterling	Genesee Fire
29. Rex Emery	AXA

- 1. Call to Order** – President Steve Pischke called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.
- 2. Introductions** – All assembled introduced themselves.
- 3. Approval of Minutes** – The minutes from the July 18, 2008 meeting were approved. A letter from IAFC Executive Director Mark Light was read. Light thanked the MDFCA for their support and hospitality at FRI – Denver.

4. **Approval of Financial Report** – Lombardi reported there is \$6,341.44 in the savings account and \$1,662.13 in the checking account. The financial report was approved.
5. **Presentation – Credentialing** – Wayne Jochem and Alan Colon
 - a. Started under UASI/NCR
 - b. Electronically register at event that will show qualifications and skills.
 - c. Showed Format for smart card and standard card – two formats.
 - d. Smart card is more expensive, but has more info such as biometrics, PIN numbers, etc.
 - e. Standard card will show the most important capabilities.
 - f. UASI/NCR money is on hold due to technology changes.
 - g. GOALS
 - i. End of 2008 Credentialing Trailer completed.
 - ii. 100% compatible with current system
 - iii. 1000 cards distributed as part of pilot program
 - h. Portion of card can be customized.
 - i. COST – no cost to agency if UASI/NCR awards as a grant for first year. Annual maintenance fee is on agency.
6. **Presentation – University of Phoenix** – Elizabeth Lancaster and Korey Williams. Representatives from the University of Phoenix discussed their program and how it is geared toward working adults and has an online campus. Training and certifications can be used as prior learning assessment credits through articulation agreements. The representatives made themselves available at the end of the meeting for one-on-one questions.
7. **Old Business**
 - a. **EMS – Vickery** – November 6 and 7 State EMS Conference. October 2-3 1st annual Safety Summit at Crowne Plaza DIA.
 - b. **Missouri Valley IAFC – Bales** – Good reports on Denver FRI and there is interest in the Leadership Conference.
 - c. **USAR – McBee** – COTF1 is back from 3 week deployment and completed four days of work with a lot of good training at Texas A&M. McBee thanked everyone for their support during the deployment.
 - d. **Incident Operations Committee – UASI/NCR – Bales** – The grant is up 4%. UASI receiving \$6.1 million and NCR receiving \$3.0 million. Bales would like for someone else to take over representing at this committee. Bob Tade was appointed to replace Bales. Approval when Tade returns to town.
 - e. **Metro Ops Chiefs – Mike Patarozzi** – October 8th at 1330 is the next meeting at the Englewood Police/Fire Headquarters.
 - f. **CSFCA – Paul Cooke** – Cooke reported the Firefighter Appreciation Day was a great success. Cooke advised everyone that registration for the Leadership Conference is online. The preconference will include the Company Officer Program and a day long session for new Fire Chiefs.

8. New Business

- a.** Jerry Rhodes asked that a letter be sent to Al Powers recognizing his years of service to the EMS community. Lombardi will draft a letter with help from Rhodes.
- b.** Steve Pischke announced elections for Secretary/Treasure and the At-large position will be held at the next meeting.

Adjournment – The next meeting will be Friday, November 21, 2008.