



NORTHERN CHESTER COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

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C/O RIDGE FIRE COMPANY
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Minutes for the November 12, 2014 Meetings

PCH Foundation Meeting

Call to Order:

- The meeting was called to order by President Brian Gallagher at the Ride Fire Co. at 1913Hrs.
- The pledge to the flag was recited and a moment of silence was observed for the Baltimore LODD this morning.

Attendance:

- An attendance sheet was circulated with 25 members from 12 departments and 1 guest.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

- A motion was made by Jeff Kimes (73) and seconded by Chris Miller (54) to approve the minutes as circulated and forego reading them, all in favor.

Guest Speaker:

- John Stout from Belfor presented a check for \$1,000 towards the safety trailer. Brian thanked Belfor for their continued support to the association and area fire companies.

New Business:

Lynn Hartman: Lynn explained the reasons for her absence and is glad to be back.

- PCHF has a capacity building mini grant program available for 50% of up to \$1000.
 - Can help with the expenses for the 501C3 for the NCCFCA.
 - Is available to any station in the North for assisting with development training
- Health Education Mini Grant Program:
 - 9 stations have applied last physical year July 1 to June 30
 - 8 were awarded for fire prevention.
 - New grant applications are coming in for this year

- AED mini grant program to fund 1 AED per station up to \$1500 max
 - Available to any organization in need
 - May need to do another association bulk grant for the NCCFCA
- Tuition Assistance is available to PASD residents for Montco and Delco community college for Public Safety Majors
 - Board has showed interest in possibly expanding the coverage for the whole NCCFCA
 - If you have an interested applicant please contact Lynn to let her know.
 - Chuck (61) was interested in knowing how many students has completed the class and stayed in the area?
- Brian recommended Chuck Fields (61) to be the head of a Strategic Planning Committee for the NCCFCA.
- Motion was made by Marty Blumenthal (73) and seconded by Ed Walters (61) to apply for the PCHF Grant for MDCs before their January deadline. All in favor.
- Motion was made by Richard Hedrick (62) and Donald Human (64) to apply for the PCHF Grant for AEDs before their July deadline. All in favor.
 - Lynn stated that we do not need to track the history and disposition of the AEDs purchased with PCHF funds.

Old Business:

- 501c3 status: making progress, but remember this is a long process.

Safety Truck & Trailer:

- Richard Hedrick (62) will be reprogramming the remotes
- Glen is working with the VP of Bullex on a service contract agreement
- Generator seems to be working properly, but is loud. Generator does have a 5yr warranty.
- Phoenixville FD is donating KNOX Box for the trailer, Ridge has the original lid and TVFD will be installing the box over the winter.
- Richard presented a use report for the Safety Trailer over the year.

Correspondence:

- None

Good of the Company:

- Jay Pollinger (61) made a motion, seconded by Donald Human (64) to follow the by-laws for Stations 63 and 98 as they did not make the minimum attendance requirements. All in favor.
- Being no further business a motion for adjournment was made by Jeff Kimes (73) and seconded by Roger Kolb (62), all in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 2005hrs

Northern Chester County Fire Chiefs Association Meeting

Call to Order:

- The meeting was called to order by President Brian Gallagher at the Ridge Fire Co. at 2005Hrs

Roll Call of Officers:

- All Executive Officers were present

Election of Officers:

- The Nominations Committee presented their nominees for the 2015 Executive Board:
 - President: Evan Taylor (68)
 - Vice President: Jay Pollinger (61)
 - Treasurer: Tom Hornberger (69)
 - Secretary: Jonathan Brackbill (62)
- Chuck Fields (61) made a motion for the Secretary to close the nominations and cast the deciding vote for all positions.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

- A motion was made by Josh Spangler (73) and seconded by Chuck Fields (61) to approve the September minutes as circulated and forego reading them, all in favor.

Treasurer's Report:

- September's Starting Balance of \$6,784.55 as of 8/25/2014
- Deposits of \$250.88 ESI Trailer Advertisement and Interest
- Credits of \$100.00 Meeting Food.
- Ending Balance of \$6,935.43 as of 9/25/2014
- October's Starting Balance of \$6,935.43 as of 9/25/2014
- Deposits of \$0.83 (Interest)
- Credits of \$919.09 (Norton Antivirus, Glen Russell and Richard Hedrick Trailer repairs)
- Ending Balance of \$6,017.17 as of 10/25/2014
- Motion made by Denny Rumler (51) and seconded by Roger Kolb (62) to approve the Treasurer's report. All in favor.

Correspondence:

- None

CCFCA Advisory Board Report:

- Advisory Board Meeting Notes were distributed prior to the meeting.
- Stand-By procedure: No set standards and County will prompt at 15mins
- Need to have all your pagers and members in Enterprise Wizard to receive the new MDCs
- Need to get your Apparatus Inventory into Chester County for the CAD. Form is online and was distributed

DES Report: Mike Holmes

- 21 of the 27 towers are released to Harris for upgrading
- Training Facility: Tactical village is underway. Firing Range design is underway with architect.
- Presented the Fire Marshall's report

Technical Division:

- Nothing to report

Funeral Committee:

- Have not received the latest from Chaplain Schwartz. Chuck Fields (61) has submitted additional questions to be incorporated.

Old Business:

- Endorsement Policy: Read and voted. Motion made by Marty Blumenthal (73) and Chuck Fields (61) to accept the policy has written.
- MICU 83 and 84 radio use.
 - MICU 83: Has improved since September's meeting
 - MICU 84: Received some push back. They are working off of a portable because the main truck is out of service. They are using 329-6. Chester County needs to get feedback from Chief 329.
 - Chuck Hipple (64) said to get him the information that they need.

New Business:

- Jay Pollinger (61) brought up about CAD issues with the station MDC being dispatched for QRS and the Tower has not been recommended for the Christian College.
 - Has not heard back from CAD guys
- What software is needed at the stations for print outs for the New CAD when it rolls out?
- There is an ongoing issue with receiving print outs on initial and close outs
- CCFCA Elections: Brian presented the two nominees for President and stated that there needs to be an increase in attendance at the Chief's meetings from the North.

- LOSAT: Firefighter retirement through VFIS. Brian needs to reach out to bring a Rep to the North.
- JeffSTAT: Went in service at Brandywine Hospital. Primary duty is inter-facility transports. Will assist with your emergencies if available and requested.

Good of the Company:

- December 16th: O'Grady's Restaurant is holding an all day benefit for Dale Sims, Captain of Black Rock FD. Black Rock is also looking to hold the benefit in the Spring. Dale has been battling brain cancer and has lots of expenses.
- Montgomery County: All is quiet. Chester County needs to know of any equipment or station changes for the CAD system..
- Fire House Software Training: January 24th at PSTC
- February of 2015 at DES: New officers orientation
- Missing CAD units. Need to check your search streams to make sure all units needed are there.
- Need to review the differences in the ISO ratings.
 - Chuck has an ISO report that he can provide for you to use
- Have been getting requests from a workman's comp company asking to see what members have NFPA 1001.
- Limerick is having Wills for Heroes in March.

Close:

- Being no further business to conduct a motion was made by Joel McMillan (62), and seconded by Jeff Kimes (73) for adjournment at 2118 Hrs, all in favor. The next meeting will be at Station 62 on January 14, 2015.

November 12, 2014,

Jonathan Brackbill

NCCFCA Secretary