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General Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 16, 2009

Bates South Tacoma Campus Auditorium – Tacoma, WA

Welcome & Introductions

Chair Kendra Kay welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. A special thanks to Richelle Risdon for suggesting our speaker – Retired Seattle Fire Captain - Ray Risdon.

Attendees:

South King Fire & Rescue - Kendra Kay – Chair
Snohomish County Fire District #1 - Kim Schroeder – Vice Chair
East Pierce Fire & Rescue - Dina Sutherland – Information Coordinator
Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One – Nanette Tatom – Secretary
Valley Regional Fire Authority – Kelly Williams
Valley Regional Fire Authority – Kim McDonald
Airway Heights Fire Department - Doug Bonstrom
Central Pierce Fire & Rescue - Daniel Bickel
Lake Stevens Fire - Alison Caton
Monroe Fire - Richelle Risdon
Northshore Fire Department/KDFD #16 - Terri Jones
Washington State Fire Marshals Office - Karen Jones
National Fire Protection Association - Pat Mieszala

Call for nominations: Vice Chair & Information Coordinator for 2010 -2012

Ballots for the positions of Vice Chair and Information Coordinator were passed out. Those in attendance voted. An e-mail ballot was sent out to those who were not able to attend.

Legislative Committee Report

No one from the board has attended the recent meetings and had nothing to report. There is a meeting tomorrow (Dec. 17th) which Kim will be attending. Legislatures Day is Wednesday, January 20th.

Membership

The new year is quickly approaching and the WPFEB Board would like to remind you to make sure you are signed up and have paid your dues (**ONLY \$25**) for WPFEB Membership.

Website

A lot of work has gone in to the new website and thanks to those who provided feedback, etc. Please go check out www.wsafc.org and you can access all the section, including Public Educators. You can also access the site by going to: www.wpfesection.org

Let us know what you think. For feedback, contact Information Coordinator – Dina Sutherland at dsutherland@eastpiercefirer.org

Washington Fire Sprinkler Coalition Report

Nanette shared a video that was recently completed by Bates for the coalition. Ron Greenman had given a copy of the video to Nanette since she “hosted” the video. Kendra Kay is also in the video. The group thought this would be a good thing to put on the WPFE website. That way any department could link in and view or use it. Kim McDonald suggested adding links that citizens could go to learn more about the topic of Home Fire Sprinklers. We will let you know when that is posted.

Prevention Symposium 2010

Kim Schroeder is our liaison for this years symposium. The symposium will be held in October. Exact dates and location will follow. If have any ideas for speakers or classes, please contact her at kschroeder@firedistrict1.org

1035 and PIO Classes

An e-mail survey was sent out asking if there was a need for these classes to be offered.

Future Training/Speakers for Meetings

- Social media is a hot topic and it was suggested that now that everyone knows what it is, how about someone who can share how it works for their organization and what types of policies and procedures are recommended in order to keep this type of thing in check.
- Bates has the potential to host trainings that can be televised to other campus’s around the state, so Nanette is looking in to how we can use that technology to partner with Bates on some upcoming trainings. One suggestion was having Jody Woodcock and Ed Troyer present an overview on the Lakewood Police incident and memorial.

Please let any of your WPFE Board know if you have suggestions.

Good of the Order

Pat Mieszala from NFPA announced there is some reorganization going on and she will no longer be our representative for Washington State. Monica Colby (former WPFE member from South King Fire & Rescue) will be our new rep. We will miss Pat (THANK YOU for all your work, Pat!) and we welcome Monica.

Karen Jones announced the Fireworks Education Committee is working on videos to make available on their website. They also plan to do a workshop again, so stay tuned for further info. Karen also shared the State Fire Marshals Office has a Sprinkler Trailer that they plan to target multiple home and garden shows around Washington State to demonstrate. If you are interested in having the Sprinkler Trailer at your event, contact Karen Jones at kjones@wsp.wa.gov

Next Meeting

Friday, April 2, 2010

Bi-State Prevention Summit

Hosted by: Portland Fire & Rescue

Respectfully Submitted by:

Nanette Tatom, WPFE Secretary