



California Fire Technology Directors Association

1 February 2005

“Minutes”

Attendance

Tim Capehart,	<i>Bakersfield College (President)</i>
Steve Dixon,	<i>College of the Canyons (Treasurer)</i>
Phil Kelleher,	<i>Riverside Community College</i>
Alex Gregg	<i>Riverside Community College</i>
Ken Mays,	<i>El Camino College</i>
Terry Koeper,	<i>Crafton Hills College (FESHE Representative)</i>
Tracy Rickman,	<i>Rio Hondo College</i>
Jerry Austin,	<i>Mount San Antonio College</i>
Quynh Gonzalez,	<i>Delmar/Thomson- Special Guest</i>
Jill Shaefer,	<i>Delmar/Thomson- Special Guest</i>

Introduction

Welcome and Call to order by President Tim Capehart @0940

Financial Statement

December 2004, Balance	1712.86
Deposit	+ 50.00
Spark Media	-145.00
Spark Media	-40.00
Total as of 2/1/05	1,577.86

Roundtable Discussion

Tracy Rickman- Rio Hondo College is working on a certificate and degree program. This is progressing well and should be completed by mid-February 2005. Curriculum is being written and the appropriate forms are being submitted for Chancellor's office approval. The **EMT** program is growing fast. Rio Hondo ran 7 EMT classes in 2004. Eight classes are scheduled in 2005 with 35 students in each class. The **CSFM EMT** rollout will be held at Rio Hondo on April 21 and 22nd and the cost will be \$150.00 per person. There will also be update courses in Sacramento and in San Diego. All current **CSFM EMT instructors** must attend one of these sessions in order to maintain certification.

- *A discussion on EMT issues/concerns ensued. The fire program directors/coordinators would like to see the EMT program under the fire programs we serve. The reason for this was that many of the EMT students are (many times) the fire students wanting to get into the fire academy or working on their A.A/A.S. degree in Fire Technology.*

Steve Dixon- *College of the Canyons* is thinking about a “Travel Program” in which he could get students to go to Australia or other country to learn about different fire fighting techniques. Steve also had some additional discussion pertaining to the EMT classes being offered through the Fire Program. Steve in getting a fire engine in March of 2005.

Kevin Mays- *El Camino College* has a “**Tool Class**” as part of a pre-requisite to the Fire Academy. This course is needed as many students don’t know about tools and basic tool usage. El Camino is hiring a paramedic to teach the **EMT class** on campus. Chief Mays also said he better understands the FSTEP process.

Terry Keeper- *Crafton Hills College* is growing and Terry is very busy. **EMT** is not under the Fire Program. The aircraft fire fighting school is going well. The first burn should be around the 1st of July 2005. Terry would like to host the September 2005 CFTDA meeting at Crafton Hills College. Fire Prevention Officers academy will start in October 2005. Virtual reality simulator (Ronny Coleman, Grant Writer) will be on display at FESHE in June 2005. This is a fire prevention Virtual Reality simulator. A terrorism simulator is also being developed as well for the fire service. (*Tim Capehart has information about this program, it’s not ready yet*). Rescue Extrication event will occur on April 26-29 2005. Please contact Terry for additional information.

Phil Kelleher- *Riverside Community College* has a new “Fire Academy” certificate of achievement which is 19 units. (Chancellor’s office approved). Phil has provided all curriculum for the CFDTA (on our website). Riverside Community College is the only college that has provided their curriculum to be shared by other Colleges. Tim would like other Colleges to send him curriculum for our CFTDA website. Phil and Greg are learning how to ensure websites are Section 508 compliant. They are also learning “Dream Weaver.”

Tim Capehart- *Bakersfield College* minority student population is growing. Cary Parkins, is the local processing person in charge at the CSFM level. Tim has information in regards to scanning tests for CSFM classes. Tim talked about the CFTDA website. He has updated our website. Phil Kelleher asked if the CFTDA website could designate between an Academy and Accredited Academy. Tim would like this group to discuss the CSFM curriculum that needs to be updated. Please send Tim your curriculum for posting under the members only section, Riverside is the only one up there so far. A discussion began about curriculum.

Lunch- 12:00 to 1300

Delmar Publishers- *Quynh and Jill (Delmar) reviewed the new textbooks and gave the Directors desk copies of several books. Quynh stated that the new Fire Company Officer Book will be out by 1 March 2005. Jill asked if there is anyone who would like to write a "Trench Rescue class".*

FESHE- Terry discusses "Lamp post" and other FESHE activities. FESHE 7 will be the 4-6 of June 2005. Terry also talks about the Ethics and Leadership for Public Safety instructor train the trainer program. Terry also brings up the National Group (the voice of FESHE) and he would like the CFTDA to get this program started FESHE Association). He's looking for support from our group to help form this new National group. Go to Usfa-lamp-post@lyris.fema.gov for additional information.

Tracy motions that we purchase additional CFTDA shirts, Jerry Austin seconded the motion to spend up to \$800.00.

Next Meeting will be April 15th 2005 in Bakersfield, Olive Drive Training Center. One Day Only, (Friday)

Respectfully submitted by,

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