



# California Fire Technology Directors Association

## Meeting Minutes

September 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 2002

Ben Clark Training Center  
Riverside, CA

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### In Attendance:

Mike Jennings  
Phil Kelleher  
Cheri Patterson  
Eric Vogt  
Rick Vogt  
Neal Allbee  
Steve Dixon  
Brett Vanwey

Tracy Rickman  
Larry Cooke  
Charelene Nagy  
Terry Koeper  
Gary W. Morgan  
Dan Sullivan  
Ralph DeLaossa  
Tim Capehart

Gerry Gardner  
Art Cota  
Sandy Margullis  
David Senior  
Ping-Li Yen  
Ray Shackelford  
Al Iannone

### Welcome:

(0900-0912)

Chief Tinker welcomes everyone to the Ben Clark Training Center. The Chief describes the future at Ben Clark. He speaks about the issues pertaining to endangered species and the positive relationships with all partners at Ben Clark including the Riverside Community College District. The Chief has many great things to say about RCC and the Fire Director, Rick Vogt. Chief Tinker also states that Ben Clark has a fully operational movie set on site, which aid in training of police and fire students as well as public safety veterans.

### Introductions:

(0912-0917)

President Rick Vogt begins with introductions, and then thanks everyone for coming to this meeting.

### Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:

0918

The last meeting was held in Weed California. No minutes were presented; therefore, the Minutes for the February 2002 meeting were approved.

### Treasure's Report:

(0920)

Terry Koeper reports that the Association has a balance of \$2,320. He also is collecting dues at this meeting. He is also working with Rick Vogt to put the invoice online for all to download in order to pay annual association dues of \$25.00 per person.

Correspondence:  
(0928)

1. Ping-Li Yen and Ray Shackelford called to have an item placed on the Agenda for this meeting pertaining to Fire Prevention level 3 courses. (Completed)
2. Ray Shackelford called to have a meeting about a Wildland Firefighting Degree program at California State University, Los Angeles be placed on the website. (completed)
3. Several Fire Directors called to say they couldn't come to the meeting this month but will try to be in Sacramento in November. (so noted).

Committee Reports:  
(0933-1107)

State Fire Training Art Cota, discusses the following.

- Art introduces Sandy Margullis. She will be overseeing the EMT program at the State Fire Marshal's office.
- Art notes that the next STEAC meeting is October 10<sup>th</sup>. He says that the Driver Operator 1A and 1B courses will be changed. A pre-requisite to have a Class B license prior to the class was addressed.

*Motion: Tracy Rickman Motions and David Senior seconds the following-*

*Each participant of the Driver Operator 1A course must have a Class B "Permit" or Class B "License" in order to be allowed to enroll in the course.*

*Passed unanimously*

- Art discusses having task books for Fire Control 3 and for Confine Space operations in the near future. Anyone having lesson plans for Confine Space Operations are asked to call Art.
- Art states that we can look for Rescue System I updates in early 2003. A discussion on module 4 ensued. Phil Kelleher asked questions pertaining specifically relating to Rescue Systems I instructor status and qualifications.
- Art states that the new "Fire Marshal Certification Track " was approved in July 2002. This track replaces the older version of Fire Prevention certification.
- Fire Command 1C has been moved back indefinitely.
- Art states that he has some funding to offer some State Fire Marshal courses at the local community college level. Call Art for details.
- Art discusses the recent approval of California certified courses that have been approved by the National Fire Academy. More discussion on this topic will occur in November at our next meeting.

- Art is looking for documents and training resources for EVOC training and Health and Wellness.
- Art continues for Frank Abbott (Chancellor's office) who couldn't make it on this date.
  1. Industry Collaborative grants will soon be out as well as equipment grant paperwork. See Chancellor's website.
  2. Kevin Brame will continue on as the Program Coordinator for the "Leadership and Ethics" classes.
  3. The "Public Safety Consortium" will occur in March 2003 in the Fremont Area (Bay Area). Art states we need MORE Fire Presenters. Art states that there will probably be 50 stipends of \$500.00 each available. See the South Bay Consortium website for more details.

*Motion Tracy Rickman motions and Terry Koeper seconds to have David Senior represent the Association at the Public Safety Instructor Symposium.*

*Passed unanimously*

**Unfinished Business (Position Paper on Instructor 1A & 1B):**  
(1107)

President Vogt skips to this agenda item. He reiterates that the Association has already motioned in a past meeting that the Fire Instructor 1A and Fire Instructor 1B courses should not be taught in a one week format. The Fire Directors will support the State Fire Marshal's office in only approving these courses when taught in any period of time except in a one-week format.

**CFTDA Website:**  
(1112)

President Vogt discusses the new website. David Senior asks if there is a way to hit one icon and send a message to all Directors. Rick Vogt says he will look into it. Everyone thanks Rick for his hard work in getting this website up and running.

- **Note, by the completion of these minutes, Rick had already completed this task. Go to the website for more details.**

**New Business CFTDA shirts:**  
(1131)

Rick Vogt states that the shirts for our Association are done and the cost is \$22.00 each.

**CICCS CD's:**  
(1132)

David Senior discusses the CICCS program and then passes out a CD with all applicable information on it. A short discussion on this program with questions and answers ensues. Dave is available if anyone has any questions in regards to this program.

**Fire Prevention 3C:**  
**(1138)**

Ping-Li Yen and Ray Shackelford discuss Fire Prevention 3A and Fire Prevention 3B curriculum. These courses still reflect the utilization of the 1987 UBC. Ping asks if there could be a "Fire Prevention 3C" that goes deeper into sprinkler plan checks and calculations. He also says that there should be some information in regards to compressed air foam systems and water mist systems. Art Cota asks Ping to help with the updates of Fire Prevention 3A and 3B and then he could consider a new course. Ping states he would be very happy to help rewrite 3A and 3B.

**AD Hoc Committee –SFT Issue Paper:**  
**(1150)**

Art Cota, needing to return to Sacramento, asks to discuss the Issue paper on alternatives for purchasing student handouts through the SFM bookstore. Art states that his only alternative would be to hold invoicing for up to six months. He states that the other alternatives are not acceptable at this time. After discovering with Art that he was looking at an older version of the proposal, a discussion ensued pertaining to the most recent alternatives. After negotiations, Art said he would review the alternatives and further discuss this issue at the November's meeting.

**Lunch (1230-1350)**

**Additional Business Items:**  
**(1407-1535)**

- A discussion on FTE funding took place. We discussed legislation that removes a CAP on public safety training.
- Fire Hydraulics course work was discussed. This class should be an elective or (possibly a core class) for California programs in support of the National Fire Academy approval of a National Standard.
- Neal Allbee asks a question pertaining to degree programs and matriculation into the Cal State system. His questions were answered by Chief Shackelford.
- A discussion about the Fire Service Baseline and Needs survey took place. The website has all applicable documentation.
- A discussion on the By-laws of our organization took place.

**Roundtable:**

**Rick Vogt-** Program growing. Rick and Dave Senior will redo bylaws and post information on the web.

**Ray Shackelford-** Meeting with US Forest Service about a 4 year Wildland Fire Degree. Safety program at California State is growing as well.

**Al Iannone-** Website is great! Thanks! College is changing numbering system.

**Bakersfield:** County EMS approached College regarding paramedic program.

**Palomar college:** Agreement completed with City of San Marcos and classes are full. College is cutting non-essential programs.

**Glendale College:** 4<sup>th</sup> year as regional academy. AT FTE cap.

**Oxnard College:** Bond passed for regional training center. 4 million dollar burn building, fire has 4 acre training area.

**College of The Canyons:** 300 students in Fire Tech program. Looking for information for courses on line.

**Sierra College:** Fulltime Coordinator/Instructor position may contract with CDF.

*Meeting Adjourn at 1605*

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