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Fire Chief

ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT

Thursday, March 24, 2022

Held at the following locations:

10545 Armstrong Avenue – Board Room

Mather, California

&

Remotely Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm by President Saylor. Board members present in person: Clark, Jones, Orzalli, Saylor, Sheetz, White, and Wood. Board members present virtually via Zoom: Goold and Kelly. Board members absent: None. Staff present: Chief Harms and Board Clerk Penilla.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT ITEMS

Action: Moved by Jones, seconded by Clark, and carried unanimously by members present to adopt the consent calendar as follows:

1. **Action Summary Minutes**

Recommendation: Approve the Action Summary Minutes for the Regular Board meeting of March 10, 2022.

Action: Approved the Action Summary Minutes.

PRESENTATION ITEM

1. **Service Delivery**

(Assistant Chief Training, Jon Rudnicki and Firefighter Michael Gildone)

Recommendation: Receive presentation, no action required.

Action: No action taken.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **Nomination of Special Districts Representative for the Sacramento County Treasury Oversight Committee** *(Board Clerk Penilla)*

Recommendation: Consider nominating one candidate for special districts representative for the Sacramento County Treasury Oversight Committee.

Action: On a motion by Jones, seconded by Wood, and carried unanimously by the members present to nominate CFO O'Toole to the Treasury Oversight Committee.

2. **Ratification of Resolution to Extend Teleconference of Board Meetings**
(Government Code 54953(e) (3)) *(President Saylor)*

Recommendation: Consider adopting a Resolution which would extend the ability to teleconference without compliance of Government Code paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of section 54953 from March 24, 2022-April 22, 2022 or until further re-ratified.

Action: On a motion by Clark, seconded by Sheetz, and carried unanimously by the members present adopt Resolution No. 2022-029.

3. Industrial Disability Retirement – Captain David W. Burnett III

Recommendation: After discussion in Closed Session, consider adopting a Resolution finding Captain David W. Burnett III has suffered job related injuries and is eligible for an Industrial Disability Retirement.

Action: On a motion by Jones, seconded by Wood, and carried (Ayes: Clark, Jones, Kelly, Orzalli, Saylor, Sheetz, White, and Wood; Absent: Gould) to adopt Resolution No. 2022-030.

REPORTS

1. **PRESIDENT’S REPORT**—(*President Saylor*) – No report.

2. **FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT**—(*Chief Harms*)

Chief Harms shared Metro Fire hosted the Mechanic’s Academy for the first time in two years, and gave a challenge coin to each of the Directors. Metro Fire is proud to host such a great event, and allow our members to attend.

He thanked AC Rudnicki and FF Gildone for presenting on the Service Delivery Team and moving that forward into the future.

Over the last two weeks he has spent a lot of time on the Zinfandel Training Facility, he is looking for support from our community and elected leaders for funding opportunities.

Meetings

3/15 Sac County 2X2 Meeting – very successful meeting with Directors Jones and Wood in attendance

3/23 Labor Management Collaboration Meeting – hosted by labor at Union Hall

3/24 This morning met with region’s Fire Chiefs

3/24 Citrus Heights 2X2 Prep Meeting

Continue to meet with:

- Sacramento Fire Chiefs and Hospital CEOs APOT Meeting (meet on a weekly basis)
 - Seeing a positive impact from having the wall medics in place for the last two months. Concerned about funding running out at the end of the month for this program and significant wall time returning.
- Director Basnett and Public Agency EMS Providers (meet on a weekly basis)
- Serving on the State Committee, currently meeting weekly and working on twenty legislative recommendations which need to be completed by end of June.

Remembering Kyle Rutherford:

On Sunday, March 20th we remembered Kyle Rutherford. It’s hard to believe a year has already passed. He asks for a moment of silence be observed honoring Kyle and his family for this past year.

OPERATIONS’ REPORT

Assistant Chief Rudnicki reported out for Deputy Chief Mitchell. He shared Metro Fire responded to approximately 3,700 incidents since the last Board Meeting, with 71% related to EMS calls. This is trending down slightly. There were 108 fire incidents responded to, an average of 7.7 calls per day.

Academy 22-1 is finishing up week four, with 44 recruits. They are acclimating to a slight increase in temperature this week.

The EMS Division is wrapping up their spring EMS training. All EMTs, paramedics, and first responders received hands-on training on childbirth, orientation to the new cardiac monitors, and the new narcotics tracking module. A special thank you to AC Law and the division.

We took delivery of 90 new cardiac monitor/defibrillators which were purchased with the AFG2020 grant funds.

Lastly, AC Rudnicki shared that CERT volunteers gave 252 hours in the month of February.

3. SMFD – FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 522 REPORT

President Trevor Jamison reported out for Vice President Cole, and shared that Local 522 is committed to working through the budget deficits, and will have an accountant on board for negotiations.

In regards to service delivery, the world is changing and we are faced with new challenges. The public expects more from emergency responders, and we are busier than ever, so it is very important to look at how we do business.

Local 522 supports the Zinfandel Training Center, and CPF and the Executive Board are supportive and committed to seeing this through. This will be good for the region and membership.

Lastly, he thanked the members who are leaving for other agencies and wished them well. He thanked the Board for their support.

4. COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS

All Committee Meetings will be held at the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District Board Room, 10545 Armstrong Avenue, Mather, California unless otherwise specified.

A. Executive Committee – (President Saylor)

Next Meeting: TBD

B. Communications Center JPA – (DC Wagaman)

DC Wagaman shared a few updates with the Board. The Communications Center is working diligently with the CAD build team. He thanked the Metro Fire staff working on the project, BC Fiorica, Communications Manager Steve Jordan, Captain Butler and Captain Gifford. They have implemented the auto voice and auto call distribution systems. Lastly, they are recruiting for an Administration Manager, which is a new position due to the recent reorganization.

Next Meeting: April 12, 2022 at 9:00 AM

C. California Fire & Rescue Training JPA – (Fire Chief Harms)

Report Out: March 16, 2022 at 10:00 AM

Chief Harms reported that classes are continuing as planned, and revenue is exceeding expenses. Chief Harms anticipates that General Counsel Lavra will bring the dissolution agreement to the next Board Meeting.

Next Meeting: April 20, 2022 at 9:00 AM
Location: 3121 Gold Canal Drive
Mather, CA 95670

D. **Finance and Audit Committee** – (*Director Orzalli*)
Next Meeting: TBD

E. **Policy Committee** – (*Director Goold*)
Next Meeting: TBD

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Director Jones thanked the Mechanic's Academy for the challenge coin. She is looking forward to hearing input from the line through the service delivery team. She thanked AC Rudnicki for the CERT volunteer hours, and appreciates knowing about the volunteer aspect. She was happy to participate in the 2X2 with Sacramento County as it was a very productive meeting.

Director Kelly thanked AC Rudnicki and Firefighter Gildone for the service delivery presentation. He wished CFO O'Toole all the best with his nomination to the Treasury Committee.

Director Wood shared the Sacramento County 2X2 was a very productive meeting with the County Supervisors and Executive. He also thanked AC Rudnicki and Firefighter Gildone for their Service Delivery work, and has heard about the program at various stations.

Director Orzalli appreciates the vision for Metro Fire for the future, and congratulated the leadership.

Director White was happy to hear about the Mechanic's Academy where valuable learning takes place. The Fleet Division does a great job ensuring crews get to where they need to go. He expresses his concerns about the money running out at the end of the month for the wall medics, as they are a valuable asset to patient transition at hospitals. Lastly, he appreciates the work from Local 522, especially related to the budget and service delivery.

Director Clark thanks Local 522 for their work with Metro and the ability to resolve issues.

Director Saylor thanks everyone for their participation and being here.

Prior to recessing to closed session a moment of silence is observed on behalf of Kyle Rutherford and his family.

The board recessed to closed session at 6:50 PM.

CLOSED SESSION

1. **Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) – Two (2) matters of Workers Compensation Settlement Authority**

A. Lindie Thomas and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District
Claim # 4021037F500-0001 – Workers Compensation Settlement Authority –
Colin Connor of Lenahan, Slater, Pearse & Majernick, LLP

Action: Moved by Wood, seconded by Jones, and carried unanimously by members present to give settlement authority to the District's third party administrator.

B. Mark Thomsen and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District
Claim #s SMDK – 548556; SMDM – 548840; SMDN – 549006; SMDO – 549425;
SMDO - 549552 – Workers Compensation Settlement Authority –
Colin Connor of Lenahan, Slater, Pearce & Majernick, LLP

Action: Moved by Wood, seconded by Clark, and carried unanimously by members present to give settlement authority to the District's third party administrator.

2. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) – one (1) matter of Industrial Disability Retirement.

A. David W. Burnett III and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District
Claim # SMDS - 550455 – Industrial Disability Retirement –
Ty Bailey, Deputy Chief Administration

Action: No action taken.

3. Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Board Clerk

Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54957(b)(1) and 54954.5(e)

Action: The Board took no reportable action.

The board reconvened to open session at 7:16 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 pm.



Cinthia Saylor, President



Walt White, Secretary



Melissa Penilla, Board Clerk