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Fire Chief

# Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

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## ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT Thursday, August 13, 2020 Held Remotely Via Zoom

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm by President Sheetz. Board members present: Clark, Goold, Jones, Kelly, Orzalli, Saylor, Sheetz, White, and Wood. Board members absent: None. Staff present: Chief Harms, General Counsel Lavra, and Clerk Penilla.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

#### CONSENT ITEMS

**Action:** Moved by Wood, 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 July 23, 2020.  
**Action:** Approved Action Summary Minutes.
- 2. Surplus Equipment – Information Technology Division**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution authorizing the designation and disposal of surplus IT equipment.  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 2020-042.

#### PRESENTATION ITEMS

- 1. UC Davis Emergency Medicine Fellowship Program**  
*(Assistant Chief Law, Dr. Mackey and Dr. Maynard)*  
**Recommendation:** Receive presentation, no action required.  
**Action:** Presentation received, no action taken.

#### ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Sacramento Mobile Integrated Healthcare Pilot Project – MOU Approval**  
*(Chief Harms and Captain Perryman)*  
**Recommendation:** Authorize the Fire Chief to approve the Memorandum of understanding for the Mobile Integrated Healthcare pilot project.  
**Action:** On a motion by Goold, seconded by Wood, and carried unanimously by members present to authorize the Fire Chief to approve the MOU.
- 2. SCERS – Extension of Medical Coverage Benefit Program**  
*(Deputy Chief Casentini)*  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution with the proposed medical benefit premium subsidy at the established monthly amount.  
**Action:** On a motion by Jones, seconded by Clark, and carried unanimously by members present to adopt Resolution No. 2020-043.

## REPORTS

1. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** No report.

2. **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

It has been a busy three weeks since the last Board Meeting on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. He congratulates all six Directors who will run unopposed in the November 2020 election, congratulations on the next for years!

### New Hire

Effective 7/28, Administrative Specialist in CRRD - Lisa Gates

### Promotion

Effective 7/27, BC Grant Russell, B9 C Shift

Effective 8/2, Captain Brendan Hogan, B Shift

### Reassignment

FF Justin Frey and Paramedic Chantel Crane have been selected as SRP Academy 20-2 Drill Instructors

### Meetings

7/27, Executive Staff meeting with Sac City Fire (Fire Chiefs and DCs)

7/29, Labor Management Collaboration Meeting (LMCM) – This was a very productive meeting where various items such as the new Station 68, part-time medics, MIH Program, Helicopter, and Hazmat were discussed.

8/6, CA Metro Fire Chiefs Meeting (Chair)

Chief Harms ended his report by sharing information about new Thermal Imaging Cameras (TICs) coming to Metro Fire thanks to the work of Director Orzalli. Sometime ago, Chief Harms was sharing the new technology in TICs, and Director Orzalli with his work through the Public Safety Foundation, including generous donations from Supervisor Frost, and BC Rudnicki through a presentation to UASI, have helped raise \$160,000 which will provide a new TIC for each riding position at Metro Fire. Thank you and congratulations on working together to get this accomplished.

## OPERATIONS REPORT

Assistant Chief Greene shared the Operations report, focusing on two main areas: State Wildland Fires and COVID-19. Currently Metro Fire is deployed to a few small fires within California, and a few members are staging in the Redding area. There are two fires in the early phases and we anticipate deploying our Type 3 Teams soon.

Since March 7<sup>th</sup> a total of 202 members have been tested related to COVID-19, with 13 members testing positive. Currently, there are 30 members off work, 6 who are positive for COVID-19, and the remaining members are awaiting testing results per the County regulations. Metro Fire stations are currently open and fully staffed, with plans in place should something happen to affect staffing.

### **3. SMFD – FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 522 REPORT:**

Captain McGoldrick congratulated the six Directors who were up for reelection! He welcomes Dr. Maynard and looks forward to the perspective he brings, along with the exposure to the talented crews he will experience.

He is working with membership to deal with COVID-19 as best they can, all members who are off work are being taken care of and have no current needs.

### **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 Sheetz)**

Next Meeting: TBD

#### **B. Communications Center JPA – (DC Shannon)**

Next Meeting: August 11, 2020 at 9:00 AM

Report Out: DC Shannon shares that of the seven graduates, three have already been signed off to work, letting everyone know this is very fast and an indication the academy was positive for education. The second academy is underway and all five cadets are doing well.

#### **C. California Fire & Rescue Training JPA – (DC Shannon)**

Next Meeting: September 17, 2020 at 4:00 PM

Location: 3121 Gold Canal Drive  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

#### **D. Finance and Audit Committee – (Director Orzalli)**

Next Meeting: August 27, 2020 at 5:00 PM

#### **E. Policy Committee – (Director Goold)**

Next Meeting: TBD

### **BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

Director Goold thanked staff for their reports, and congratulated his colleagues who have been reelected.

Director Orzalli thanked Chief Harms for his work in getting the TICs, and praises a great agenda for tonight's meeting.

Director Wood congratulates Captain Perryman for his work and follow through with the MIH Program. With the hot temperatures over the next week, he wishes all the best to the crews.

Director Clark shares his excitement for what is going on in the Metro Fire community, and welcomes Dr. Maynard.

Director Jones echoes comments from her fellow Directors. She is happy to hear reports on the long-term and short-term goals completed by Metro Fire. All items have great importance to the community served by Metro Fire, and she is happy they were accomplished.

Director White also congratulated his fellow directors who were reelected. He welcomed Dr. Maynard and thanks crews who extinguished a 200 acre fire near his home earlier tonight. He also thanked VP McGoldrick and Local 522 membership for working during fire season and the COVID-19 pandemic.

Director Saylor echoed the earlier comments, and wishes everyone a nice evening.

Director Kelly extends his appreciation for the high-performing team that is Metro Fire! He recognized the work of AC Law, Dr. Mackey, Dr. Maynard, and Captain Perryman. He wishes all the crews well over the upcoming hot weekend.

Director Sheetz congratulated those who were recently promoted, and thanks staff for the presentations.

**The Board convened to Closed Session at 6:58 pm.**

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

**1. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9:**  
One case

**Action:** On a motion by Wood, seconded by Jones, and carried unanimously to authorize the Chief to work with legal counsel to initiate litigation. If the action is formally commenced, details will be available upon request.

**2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION – Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (b):** Two cases

**A. Claim Against Public Entity Pursuant to Government Code Section 910**  
Leslie White III v. Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District  
Deputy Chief Casentini

**Action:** On a motion by Goold, seconded by Jones, and carried unanimously by members present to deny the claim and refer the matter to the District's insurance carrier.

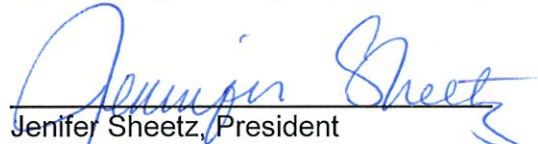
B. Claim Against Public Entity Pursuant to Government Code Section 910  
Laurie White v. Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District  
Deputy Chief Casentini

**Action:** On a motion by Goold, seconded by Jones, and carried unanimously by members present to deny the claim and refer the matter to the District's insurance carrier.

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 7:55 pm.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 pm

  
Jennifer Sheetz, President

  
Cinthia Saylor, Secretary

  
Melissa Penilla, Board Clerk