

MotherLode Inter-Agency Training Officers Association
Minutes
July 20, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 0902 by President Bill Fullerton. In attendance were:

Bill Fullerton, Bill Wennhold, Jim Toy, Dave Baugher, Don Young, Scott Mullins, Pat Murphy, Jim Rosbrook, and Terry Bullock,

There were no minutes available for the June meeting.

Correspondence – Bill F. reported receiving a flyer announcing a Crisis Intervention class sponsored by County Behavioral Health August 8-9-10.

Treasurers Report – The treasurer was absent but send a written report showing June expenses and a current balance of \$966.42. Don Young stated that Devin was going to have meeting conflicts and was asking for a replacement treasurer. No action was taken.

Section Reports -

EMS- Pat Murphy reported plans to teach the EMT class at JLFD starting in October, the class is full with a short waiting list already. Likely class tuition will be \$350-400. The class will use new curriculum and be 160—170 hours in length to meet the new training standards. The curriculum for the 1st responder class will change too effective Jan 1, 2012. the class will be renamed Emergency Responder and have a minimum of 48 hours MVEMS appointed Richard Murdoch as the new executive director and have posted applications for Pat's liaison and the deputy director's positions.

Fire Chiefs – The chiefs want to meet with the TO group to review the last academy class and look at changes for the next class. They acknowledged the need for additional instructors.

Hazmat – An orientation class was recently held on the decontamination trailer housed at Central Fire and a FRO refresher class was held at JLFD. A San Joaquin county department has asked for FRO and decon. classes, Bill will advise when the class(es) are scheduled.

Fire Training – Bill F reported the Tuolumne County training calendar was being distributed with many classes proposed. They are charging \$5.00 per class per student with Columbia College paying some of the instructor expenses. They are also offered limited housing at the campus for out of the area students. Our Driver Ops 1A is proposed for September 9/10/11/16/17/18 for \$100 per student. Driver Ops 1B is proposed for October 7/8/9/14/15/16. EPFD is teaching an Inst 1A course and considering Mngt 1A and a ice rescue class

Old Business

- A) **Firefighter Driver Endorsement**– There continues to be confusion at different DMV offices on how the program applies. Clean-up legislation is still coming but may not help the problems. Jim T offered phone numbers of Kayla Peterson- 916-657-8694 or Mark Ferguson- 916-657-8209 as two DMV staffers that are up to speed and can help with questions. (emails KPeterson or MFerguson @dmv.ca.gov) There is also inconsistency with renewals, when you pay (\$25), when you have to retest (within 12 mos of renewal date) and what type of driver training over site program each fire department should have in place.
- B) **Discussion-Bylaw Changes**- It had been suggested we add additional standards to the bylaws for tracking expenses, preparing a annual budget, and creating an audit committee. The items were tabled until the next meeting.

New Business

- A) **Records Retention** – Bill F asked for input or direction on how to proceed with all the old association records. He has several file boxes full of old materials/certificates/cancelled checks, etc. It was suggested to ask the chief's association what their policy is on old records since we are but a poor step-child. As a social group we are not bound by the Brown Act or the government codes.

Good of the Order/Roundtable –

San Andreas- Looking forward to discussions and more instructor support for the fire academy, suggested asking individual departments to purchase and retain the IFSTA books, agreed that course budget should drive the tuition for the academy and not best guesses

Murphys- Taught an in house HM IC refresher course last week, planning for a wildland refresher course, would appreciate help with driver training classes, vines and hoses event coming up

Westpoint– Lost the appeal for the their benefit assessment and are going to the ballot for a new measure

Altaville/Melones – Nothing to report

Ebbetts Pass – Nothing to report

MTH – Starting planning for a multi-agency drill in the fall, planning for CE classes, getting proposal for assaultive behavior personal safety training class

Angels Camp – Appointed Greg Peterson as the new chief and Nathan Fry as the deputy chief

MVEMS- As reported in the EMS section

The meeting was adjourned at 1020.

Next meeting is proposed for August 17th at 0900 hrs @ San Andreas Fire.