



Meeting Minutes of Fire Chief's Association of Broward County –JUNE 2, 2022

- I. Meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Chief Downey
- II. Pledge of Allegiance done
- III. **Presentations/Other Reports**
 - A. Presentation by Brian Spada from Earth Safe Chemical alternatives/Eva Clean EarthSafe Chemical Alternatives, LLC
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 - B. **AMERICAN RED CROSS (ARC):** *Nickolyn Crosby, Disaster Program Manager*
 - 1. Total of 706 smoke alarms were installed as part of the Smoke Alarm Program
 - 2. A big thanks to the Fire Departments supporting the initiative
 - 3. For any assistance related to floods the contact number is 954-797-3829
 - C. **BEMA:** - Tracy Jackson and *Lori Von Kannon*
 - 1. No report
 - C. **Broward Health Care Coalition** – *Reshena Clark/Kelly Keys*
 - 1. Kelly thanked Fire Department for their partnerships
 - 2. Working with Subcommittees on training opportunities
 - 3. ByoPlant Machines update on exchange program available
 - 4. Infectious disease training team coordination and upcoming information to be shared at next meeting
 - 5. BCHC meetings are on the 4th Wednesday of the month at Plantation Fire Dept.
 - D. **Department of Health / Broward County** – Terri Sudden
 - 1. As of 5/23, two presumptive cases of Monkeypox were identified in Broward County
 - 2. The 3-day Covid rolling positivity rate 6/01/22 is 16.5% which continues to trend upwards
 - 3. COVID vaccination will be offered at Paul Hughes Health Center in Pompano Beach, the Children's Reading Center and Museum in Davie, and South Regional Health Center beginning later this month
 - E. **Florida Forest Service** – *Tim Abramczyk, Forestry*
 - 1. Communications among agencies has improved during the last fire incidents
 - 2. Update on smoke issues due to fires
 - 3. Thanks to all Departments' PIO for the support during fire incidents

F. **OMETs**: - Alison Zerbe

1. Fire and EMS Chiefs will receive an email to confirm shelter coverage of the evacuation shelters in their areas
2. All grant agreements have been received
 - a. Spending is by December; please submit invoices before December
 - b. 2023 EMS County Grant funds will be announced in the summer
3. Trauma
 - a. Trauma System Quality meeting will be in person on 6/23 at 9 am
 - b. Trauma transport and criteria protocols are maintained in this Committee. Adjustments are data driven. If you'd like Agency specific data for your Agency
4. EMS Council
 - a. Next meeting is 6/2 at 1:30pm
 - b. The Medical Issues Subcommittee of the EMS Council met on 4/11 to discuss the proposed Chapter 3 1/2 amendment regarding Class 5 COPCN
 - c. A Public Hearing will be held at the Broward County Commission meeting on Tuesday, June 7, 10AM

G. **REHAB/CANTEEN**: Sight Vishnu/ John Princevalli

1. No report

IV. **Secretary's Report** – Chief Steve Krivjanik, Oakland Park FR

1. Chief Krivjanik requested for a motion to approved minutes
2. A correction was made by Chaplain Calderin on the date of training under his Report Section. Correction noted and executed

Motion to approve May's Meeting Minutes was made by Chief Whalen and seconded by Chief Torres. All in favor

3. Update on Voting process in September
4. Chief Krivjanik requested two other members to assist with this process which will consist of a meeting, start soliciting, create the votes, vote counting, etc.
5. If anyone is interested in assisting with this year's election process, please contact Chief Krivjanik

V. **TREASURERS REPORT** – Chief Rodney Turpel, North Lauderdale FR

- A. Chief Turpel was not in attendance and a report was not available

VI. **2nd VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – Chief McNamara, Sunrise FR

- A. Nothing to report

VII. **1st VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT** - Chief Chad Brocato, Pompano Beach FR

- A. Update on meeting held with Sheriff to discuss Dispatch Centers concerns and how to address the issues
- B. Chief McNamara discussed the challenges with closest unit response (CUR) being implemented within each individual agency's response area
 1. CUR agreement specifically addresses responses between two agencies and across jurisdictional boundaries
 2. There is no language in the agreement for CUR within a single jurisdiction

3. A decision was made to call a special Operational Review Team meeting to address the issues with ORCAT

C. Other update

1. Sheriff would like to take over the ORCAT software, hardware and take it under the Sheriff umbrella
2. Sheriff stated he will take responsibility for taking over Dispatch Centers operations
3. Looking for support from the Police Chief Association and the Fire Chief Association
4. Chief Whalen said that the letter of support should indicate the current issues of operability that are being faced now
5. It was stated the challenges and issues are with ORCAT
6. Discussion held regarding letter of support from FCABC to Sheriff:
 - a. Supporting that ORCAT technology and operations will be under their umbrella
 - b. Chief Levy will also include recommendations from the MSD Commission

MOTION: Chief Levy made a motion to prepare a letter of support and Chief O'Keefe. All in favor

VIII. PRESIDENT REPORT - Chief Downey, Davie FR

- A. Reminder of the FFCA SE Regional Lunch and meeting on 6/14 at FTFC
- B. Other update on upcoming meetings provided
- C. Letters will be mailed to all FTFC EMS awardees

IX. Standing Committee Reports

A. **CERT:** - Van Schoen, *Chair*

1. Update on event requests for CERT participation
2. FTFC flyers to fill volunteer positions went out
3. Functional exercise in Hollywood on 6/14 update
4. Event team prepared to begin attending events
5. Contact Van for any requests

B. **FIRST THERE FIRST CARE:** Retired Chief Caruso

1. Update on upcoming conference
2. There are still available spots for registration
3. 24 ALS competition team have been registered
4. Thanked Van for CERT members assisting with conference

C. **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:** *Kimberly Spill, Pompano Beach FR*

1. Tropical system update
2. WebEOC update
3. EM ECC quarterly meeting to be held on 6/8; request for all agencies to attend meeting to prevent cancelation due to lack of quorum
4. Email was sent regarding Shelter and transportation
5. MREs purchase update provided by Van Schoen

D. **EMS:** - *Chief Shaw, Fort Lauderdale FR, Chief Moran, Davie FR*

1. There will be no meeting next month due to FTFC
2. FTFC EMS Gala update provided
3. Leadership Symposium at FTFC update
4. BCHC report to be provided by Kelly Keys

E. **FIRE PREVENTION:** - Chief Demopoulos for *Chief Lori Hastings, Broward Sherriff Office FR*

1. Broward County School Board hired a new Chief of Safety and Security.
2. Update on Tamarac meeting with school district to coordinate school reunification centers and meetings should be getting scheduled with all other cities
3. Broward Schools Bond Oversight Committee meeting scheduled and will discuss single point entry and vestibule hardening as a needed project.
4. Discussion and update on ORCAT denying request for Broward schools to be part of the radio system
 - a. Chief Levy suggested resending the letter to Tracy Jackson and ensuring it states about their emergency response
5. AED/Stop the Bleed Amendment was approved by the Board of Rules and Appeals
6. Second reading on Fire Inspector testing parameters is on 6/9
7. Request for support from FCABC for Residential Fire Sprinkler Requirement in newly construction of 1-2 single family and town homes discussion continued from last month's presentation
 - a. Discussion was held on this matter and motion was made to provide a letter of support for Fire Sprinkler System Requirements on newly construction of one-and two-family homes and townhomes, made by Chief McNamara and seconded by Chief Gollan. All in favor. Motion passed.

MOTION was made by Chief McNamara to provide a letter to support Fire Sprinkler System Requirements on newly construction of one-and two-family homes and townhomes, and it was seconded by Chief Gollan. All in favor. Motion passed.

F. **HAZMAT/SPECIAL OPS** – *Chief Nugent, Broward Sherriff Office FR*

1. FBI webinar scheduled for 7/28
2. MDK kits were received from BCHC
3. Update on Turnpike calls and FDOT issues

G. **MUTUAL AID COMMUNICATIONS** - *Chief Levy, Lauderhill FR*

1. Discussion MA Agreement form 1985
 - a. Amendment and revisions are being done by Chief Brocato
 - b. Chief Brocato will follow up with Chief Levy
2. Update on Med Com operation changes
3. AED Ordinance update and Pulse Point app
 - a. BCHC will be stop the funding for Pulse Point
4. ReadyOp Pt Tracking update
5. Active Shooter Drill on 6/23 update; Chief Levy will be sending more information on the drill
6. Update on Hurricane Conference - patient movement across the state using Ready Ops update
7. Chief Downey said MCI bags from BCHC will be distributed

H. **PIO:** - *Chief Gollan, Fort Lauderdale FR*

1. South Florida Media Coalition met last week update
 - a. State supply chain issues with commodities
 - b. Supply issues with transformers
2. Please use the PIO Whatsap Group to share information
3. Update on JIC unit

- I. **SAFETY & HEALTH:** - *Chief Whalen CS FR/Chief Botting FLL FR*
1. Sending Father Perkins well wishes to get well
 2. The Broward County City Managers Representative Chief Babenick has requested for Chief Whalen and Chief Botting to be appointed as representatives from FCABC and work with the Broward County Coalition on Mental Health:
 - a. Update on Standard of care for BHAP throughout the County
 - b. Request for a letter of support from FCABC and appointment of representatives
 - c. Chief Downey appointed Chief Whalen and Chief Botting as representatives of FCABC for the Coalition

MOTION was made by Chief Levy and seconded by Chief Krivjanik to support the Broward County Coalition on Mental Health work. All in Favor.
 3. Operational safety topic on Infection Control Officers
 - a. SOG review and updating
 - b. Standardizing to correctly test, follow up and treat Firefighters
 - c. Coordination with hospitals and for all to be on the same page
 4. Blue Light Legislation update
 5. Chief Bator provided update on State Legislation
- Ia. **CHAPLAIN:** *Calderin, Chaplain*
1. No report
- J. **TRAINING:** - *Chief Russo, Hollywood FR*
1. Chief Russo thanked Chief Todd for letting them host their meetings at this location
 2. Update on NFA Series classes; contact Chief Russo for more information
 3. Program Manager training update
 4. Fire Officer III-IV classes update
- X. **Old Business**
- A. Discussion and more update on the Fire Chiefs meeting regarding Dispatch Centers and call processing and discussion held on related topics:
 1. How it related to CUR
 2. ILA Agreement revision
 3. How Fire should have the operational oversight of jurisdiction
 4. Geo fencing
 5. Challenges with CUR
 6. Chief Brocato will follow up and coordinate a Special Meeting on this matter
- XI. **New Business**
- A. Sunrise Fire Marshal position is open
 - B. NFPA 3000 class RTF Instructor Class on 7/11-7/15
 - C. Chief Downey is the Chair of the NFPA 3000 Committee and is working on the NFA - Active Shooter Hostile Event terminology: update
- XII. **GOOD AND WELFARE:**
- A. Chief Krivjanik thanked all for the support received due to the loss of a Oakland Park Fire Lieutenant
 - B. Chief O'Keefe is the new Acting Fire Chief for BSO

- Meeting was adjourned at 12:08 PM
- Next meeting is on July 7 at 9:00 am - 550 NW 65th Ave, Plantation, FL 33317