



Meeting Minutes of Fire Chiefs Association of Broward County –April 6, 2023

- I. Meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Chief Brocato
- II. Pledge of Allegiance and prayer
- III. **Presentations**
 - 1. Barry University – Admission and recruiting for Emergency Management and Public Administration Programs.
 - 2. Contracts: Tim De Palma – Program Coordinator
Patricia Bisciotti, Director Graduate Admissions - (305) 899-3494
- IV. **Partners Reports:**
 - A. **AMERICAN RED CROSS (ARC):** *Nickolyn Crosby, Disaster Program Manager*
 - 1. Assisted 13 cases in March
 - 2. Sound the alarm program in LH completed with 100 smoke alarms installations
 - 3. Day in a life of a Firefighter event in CS on 4/25
 - 4. Update on upcoming events provided.
 - B. **BEMA:** - Tracy Jackson and *Lori Von Kannon*
 - 1. No report
 - C. **Broward County Public Schools** –
 - 1. Update: Matt Decker is no longer the BCPS representative
 - D. **Broward Health Care Coalition** – *Reshena Clark/Kelly Keys*
 - 1. Contracts update
 - 2. Burn program is underway
 - 3. Funding awarded for evacuation equipment will be distributed among 3 agencies
 - 4. ALS Contract and competition funding updates
 - 5. ICS236 Class scheduled for 4/19
 - D. **Department of Health / Broward County** – Reem El-ankar, MPH
 - 1. No report
 - E. **Florida Forest Service** – *Tim Abramczyk, Forestry*
 - 1. Update on Collier / Naples redzones / droughts and other fires
 - 2. Recruit classes update
 - F. **OMETS:** - *Alison Zerbe*
 - 1. EMS fund agreements have been sent out to the agencies receiving funds

2. Next Trauma System Quality Improvement Committee meeting will take place Thurs, 4/20, 9AM at the Office of Medical Examiner and Trauma Services. Your agency's representation is requested.
3. ME presentation at the EMS Subcommittee on 4/13 on Lucas and Auto Pulse
4. Next EMS Council meeting will take place Thurs, 6/1 a 1:30PM.

G. **REHAB/CANTEEN**: Shai Gutleizer **for** SIGHT Vishnu

1. No report

V. **Secretary's Report** – Chief McNally, Coral Springs-Parkland FD

1. Chief McNally: March meeting minutes have been reviewed; a motion to approve March meeting minutes was requested

MOTION to approve March's meeting minutes was made by Chief Botting and seconded by Chief Nugent. All in favor

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

- A. Treasurer's report update - \$208,576.69
- B. Copies of the report were available for review at this meeting
- C. Reminder of award nominations for FTFC deadline is approaching, 4/9

MOTION to approve Treasurer's Report was made Chief Draizin seconded by Chief Botting. All in favor

VII. **2nd VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – Chief Krivjanik, Oakland Park FR

- A. No report

VIII. **1st VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT** - Chief McNamara, Sunrise FR

- A. No report

IX. **PRESIDENT REPORT** - Chief Brocato, Pompano Beach FR

- A. Reminder to send Subcommittee reports/notes to Rocio to be posted on the website.
 1. This is to keep Chairs' meeting reports brief.
- B. Update on the last phase of CUR, Pompano Beach is on, MDTs installation, etc.
- C. RMS: ESO and First Due reports were submitted to the County, Mr. Ruiz for budget review and funding request
- D. Congratulations to Chief Keefe who has been officially appointed BSO Fire Chief

X. **Standing Committee Reports**

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

1. PSA CERT video was completed and previewed, really great job!
2. Video was distributed to all the communities and will be posted on social media.
3. CERT members will be assisting at the FTFC as requested by Retired Chief Carusso

B. **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**: Van Schoen for Kimberly Spill-Cristiano, Pompano Beach FR

1. Update on the discussion on Starlink done at last EM meeting
 - a. Starlink demo will take place on 4/19 at TFR
 - b. MSB exercise update
2. Cadet Subcommittee discussion
 - a. Chief Moser was nominated to work with Van Schoen as Chairs

- b. Contacts information from all Agencies will be gathered to start working on this Subcommittee
- C. **EMS**: - *Chief Shaw, Fort Lauderdale FR, Chief Whitton, PP FR, Chief Moran, Davie FR*
 - 1. Protocols were discussed at last Subcommittee meeting with new ideas and opportunities
 - 2. FTFC update
- D. **FIRE PREVENTION**: - *Chief Almaguer, Pembroke Pines FR*
 - 1. Click-2-Enter gate access discussed at MA meeting
 - a. Update on radio frequency functionality and work on protocol for new system operations
 - b. Letter of support from FCABC for new system approved and will be redacted
 - c. Chief Brocato suggested a demo video
 - 2. AFM job description / certification and FI remedial class continues, and work is moving forward
 - 3. Thanks to AFM Geimer for coordinating the Spring Seminar
- E. **FIRST THERE FIRST CARE**: Chief Draizin
 - 1. Update on FTFC Conference registration.
 - 2. EMS Chiefs need to get their staff registered
 - 3. 7 ALS teams registered thus far
 - 4. Honor Guard competition update
- F. **HAZMAT/SPECIAL OPS** – *Chief Nugent, Broward Sherriff Office FR*
 - 1. No new updates
- G. **MUTUAL AID COMMUNICATIONS** - *Chief Levy, Lauderhill FR*
 - 1. Meeting minutes were uploaded in the website for more updates
- H. **PIO**: - *Chief Gollan, Fort Lauderdale FR*
 - 1. Update on harassment lawsuit trends from negative individuals; advise staff to please not engage in any public discussions
- I. **SAFETY & HEALTH**: - *Chief Whalen CS FR/Chief Botting FLL FR*
 - 1. Clarification on the SOG process provided
 - 2. Two CISM team responses – updates
 - 3. Update on State funding / Grant on recruitment of retired firefighters
- 1a. **CHAPLAIN**: Ron Perkins, Chaplain
- J. **TRAINING**: - *Chief Russo, Hollywood FR*
 - 1. RIT policy development underway
 - 2. Training structure prep work is underway
- XI. **Old Business**
 - A. None
- XII. **New Business**
 - A. None

XIII. GOOD AND WELFARE:

A. none

- Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM – Chiefs meeting postponed to next month
- Next meeting is on May 4, 2023, at 9:00 am – Plantation Fire Station – Training Room