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## *Meeting Minutes of Fire Chiefs Association of Broward County – November 2, 2023*

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- I. Meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. by Chief Brocato
- II. Pledge of Allegiance and prayer
- III. **Presentations**
  - A. PSTrax – Tracking Software – Julius Holinek
    - 1. 470-231-1990 | [julius@pstrax.com](mailto:julius@pstrax.com)
    - 2. Positive feedback provided from Chiefs Lorenzo and Chief Downey on the software
- IV. **Partners Reports:**
  - A. **AMERICAN RED CROSS (ARC):** *Nickolyn Crosby, Disaster Program Manager*
    - 1. No report
  - B. **BEMA:** - Tracy Jackson
    - 1. Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPP) Workshop is being held 11/15, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon, at the Broward EOCCAD upgrade was completed in July
    - 2. The Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) portal is now able to accept uploads of approval letters of fire safety plans from fire marshals
    - 3. the EOC Skillset class G-2308: EOC Operations and Situational Awareness, November 6- November 8th at the Broward EOC
    - 4. Technology Roadmap updates will be published this month
    - 5. FY24 adopted budget includes funding for Fire RMS and Pre-Fire Planning projects
    - 6. As of 10/6, all programming completed and in place for the transition of LBTS FR responses to Pompano Beach FR. All calls for service now generating Pompano Beach incident numbers
  - C. **Broward County Public Schools** – Kim Luke
    - 1. BCPS has requested for a Fire Chief to step up for representation at BCPS
    - 2. Schools fire inspections are underway
    - 3. Will be requesting assistance from the Fire Chiefs in reference to school BDAs
  - D. **Broward Health Care Coalition** – *Reshena Clark/Kelly Keys*
    - 1. New website [www.bchconline.com](http://www.bchconline.com)
    - 2. Submitted program funding was awarded; distribution to those agencies with attendance requirements met
    - 3. Update on burn bags distribution
    - 4. Ready Op was re-funded update
    - 5. FCABC letter with new representative is pending
    - 6. Cyano Kits will be distributed thru Hollywood FR; timeline update

- D. **Department of Health / Broward County** – Terri Sudden
1. CDC Opioids program was approved
  2. DOH will be working with groups and existing program to provide funding
- E. **Florida Forest Service** – *Tim Abramczyk, Forestry*
1. Coconut Creek Fire went well, and everyone worked good together.
  2. Pack Test/ Fitness test for red cards are on hold. Tallahassee is looking into some changes.
  3. Um cancer research results for wildland was an eye opener
- F. **OMETS:** - *Alison Zerbe*
1. LUCAS and Auto-pulse device discussion at Trauma meeting
    - a. More information and guidance from the Trauma System Quality will be distributed to all stakeholders
  2. 5 grant applications received and distributed to Grant Committee; recommendation to follow
  3. Next EMS Council meeting is 12/7
- G. **REHAB/CANTEEN:** Shaya Gutleizer / Sight Vishnu
1. Update on total cases assisted in October: 31 calls responded
  2. Thanked the members for the \$1,000 donation
- V. **Secretary's Report** – *Chief McNally, Coral Springs-Parkland FD*
- A. Chief Brocato on behalf of Chief McNally, October's meeting minutes have been reviewed; a motion to approve
- MOTION** to approve October's meeting minutes was made by Chief Nugent and seconded by Chief Botting. All in favor
- VI. **TREASURERS REPORT** – *Chief Rodney Turpel, North Lauderdale FR*
- A. Chief Turpel was not in attendance
  - B. Bank account transfer was completed to Chase
- VII. **2<sup>nd</sup> VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – *Chief Krivjanik, Oakland Park FR*
- A. No report from Chief Krivjanik
- VIII. **1<sup>st</sup> VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT** - *Chief McNamara, Sunrise FR*
- A. Chief McNamara was not in attendance
- IX. **PRESIDENT REPORT** - *Chief Brocato, Pompano Beach FR*
- A. Chief Gary from Coconut Creek FR is the FCABC Liaison to the School Board
  - B. Chief Brocato attended the FTFC meeting and provided a brief update
  - C. 2023 Award Breakfast on 12/7 recognitions and submissions update
- X. **Standing Committee Reports**
- A. **CERT:** - Van Schoen, *Chair*
1. Report available on the website
- B. **CADET & EXPLORER** – Van Schoen and Chief Moser
1. No report

- C. **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:** *Kimberly Spill-Cristiano, Pompano Beach FR*
1. Report available on the website
- D. **EMS:** - *Chief Shaw, Fort Lauderdale FR, Chief Whitton, PB FR*
1. No report
- E. **FIRE PREVENTION:** - *Chief Almaguer, Pembroke Pines FR*
1. Fire Code Amendments changes are pending approval
  2. Fire Marshal meeting attendance was great
  3. Update provided
  4. on affordable housing projects
  5. FP Subcommittee meeting is on 11/14
  6. Flyer for Tom Sherlock hardship situation fund will be distributed
  7. Scholarship Committee – update provided by AFM Geimer
    - a. Currently 3 applicants; deadline was extended to 11/15
- F. **FIRST THERE FIRST CARE:** Chief Draizin, BSOFR
1. Update on Conference
  2. EMS Grant application submission is 10/24
  3. Conference MOU being reviewed
  4. Please support this year's conference with your attendance
- G. **HAZMAT/SPECIAL OPS –** *Chief Nugent, Broward Sherriff Office FR*
1. Update on training
- H. **MUTUAL AID COMMUNICATIONS –** *Chief Pingol for Chief Levy, Lauderhill FR*
1. No report
- I. **PIO:** - *Chief Gordon, Plantation FR*
1. PIO Symposium is 1/12/24
  2. Mobile JIC for Region 7 secured financing moving forward
  3. Basic PIO classes in Broward EOC scheduled for December
- J. **SAFETY & HEALTH:** - *Chief Whalen CS FR/Chief Botting FLL FR*
1. S&H Conference attendance was a success
  2. Funeral for Lt. Keith update
  3. Cancer prevention for women symposium on 12/7; flyer was sent
- K. **CHAPLAIN:** *Ron Perkins, Chaplain*
1. Third Annual Prayer Breakfast – 11/10 at Lauderdale Yacht Club
- L. **SUPPORT SERVICES:** Zachary Roseboom, CSFR
1. Foam used, plans for new PFAS-free foam, department practices update.
  2. Airgas vendor discussion and issues that some agencies are having with this vendor, looking into solving these issues.
- M. **TRAINING:** - Chief Russo, Hollywood FR
1. Lithium-Ion battery training update
  2. Legislation and regulation on electric vehicles being pushed to local level government
  3. Please inform Chief Russo of any electric vehicle incidents in your Zone

4. Chief Russo made a presentation about the FCABC accomplishments with regional training events, classes, Subcommittees, meeting attendance, training / exercise collaborations, high level training, etc.

**XI. Old Business**

- A. none

**XII. New Business**

- A. Please submit your nomination for the FCABC Awards of the Year on 12/7

**XIII. GOOD AND WELFARE:**

- A. Golf Tournament is tomorrow, 11/3; registration is at full capacity

- The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM
- Next meeting is on November 2, 2023, at 9:00 am – Plantation Fire Station – Training Room