



Colorado Fire Training Officer's Association

Minutes of Regular Meeting held February 11, 2022

In Grand Junction and Via Zoom

I. Meeting called to order @ 0909 hrs by CFTOA Vice President Bret Williamson.

II. Roll Call: Roll call was conducted in person and via those attending by Zoom

Executive Board:

Jason Clark – Eagle River Fire – President: Not in Attendance

Bret Williamson – Adams County Fire – Vice President: Present

Dave Rial – Red White & Blue Fire – Secretary: Present

Jennifer Hembroff – Black Hawk Fire – Treasurer: Present via Zoom

III. Introduction: Welcome introduction was given by Vice President Bret Williamson and Deputy Chief of Operations Chris Angermuller of Grand Junction Fire.

IV. Approval of Minutes: A Motion to approve the minutes from the December 10, 2021 Regular Membership Meeting was made by Jim Klug, 2nd by Eric Johnson. No Discussion, Motion Passed.

V. Applications for Memberships: There were 5 new applications for membership with CFTOA:

- Bruce Fosdike – Technical College of the Rockies
- Rick Spencer – Cortez Fire
- Charlie Borden – Cortez Fire
- Mike Scott – Nederland Fire
- Kyle Kociemba-Benson Nederland Fire

VI. Treasurers Report:

- A motion to approve the Treasurers report was made by Don Koogle, 2nd by Hugh Kane. No discussion. Motion passed.

VII. Communications: No Outside Communications to report.

VIII. Guest/Speakers

- Robert Sullivan, Southwest Regional Director of NFPA spoke about the NFPA Standard Process and how to navigate the NFPA website.

IX. Division of Fire Prevention and Control

- **Marianne Maxfield**: Position application process closed on February 2nd, with David's last day being on February 28th. The Section Chief position application process is open until February 17th, with interviews scheduled for March 3rd. The HMEP Grant award letter was received and signed. The AFG grant is still being worked on with more information to come. For 2022, the awards and scheduling of props is taking place now...after the schedule is solidified, a calendar will be published. Working on 4 large training events that will take place in all 4 quadrants of the state, which will utilize all 3 props. This will be a training offered to all and will be 3 days. More information will be available shortly. Tom Henderson is the new RTO for the Western Slope and is working with Beau to get up to speed.
- **Laura Renville**: Fire Instructor I, II, & III adopted the 9th edition of the IFSTA Manual for written testing, which went into effect on February 1, 2022. All fire officer practical's must be in the form of a flash drive. No hard copy books will be accepted, no matter where the candidate is in the process. Please make sure the package that you mail your flash drives in is secured. The CDFPC has received several envelopes in the mail that were mangled and did not have a flash drive in them. RMS and Net Exam issues are being worked on. NFA classes will now have the same cancellation policy as the Fire Officer classes have had.
- **Matt Branch**: We are doing reviews of IQS accounts and finding that there is missing documentation for people within the IQS, so we are getting that cleaned up. A newer version of IQS will be rolling out in March. Not sure how the interface will look at this time. There is a newly updated NWCG EMS 310-1, which is the qualifications guide. This can be found on the NWCG website.
- **Marlinda Acevedo**: 2 Firefighter Proctor classes will be coming up at Fairmount and Golden. One on March 2nd, and one on March 9th that Don Koogle will be doing. They are posted on the DFPC website. If you have a person that has attended a Proctor class, please allow a few weeks to get the paperwork processed before assigning them to be a proctor. I will be closing out 2021 NFIRS data on April 8th. Any questions, please contact Marlinda.
- **Lisa Pine**: Firefighter Safety & Disease Prevention Grant: For those that put in for the grant, the awards list has been created and hopefully the award letters will go out by the end of the month. A bill from the Joint Budget Committee just passed the house, unanimously, for a 1 time \$5 Million distribution of funds through the Firefighter Safety and Disease Prevention Grant. Not sure what it is going to look like and it still has to pass the Senate. There is a 2nd Bill for \$5 Million per year for the next 10 years into the FSDPG and is Senate Bill 2. At the January 11 commission meeting, all recommendations were approved. Need to do a fire department Needs Assessment for the FSDPG, so please fill that out when you get it.

*** Break @ 1017 hrs to 1026 hrs ***

X. Standing Committee Reports:

A. State Chiefs: Jason Clark – (not in attendance) – No Report

B. Fire Safety Advisory Board: Joel Hagar – (Not in attendance) – Marianne Maxfield reports there is a meeting coming up next week that will include the board and commission annual best practice training. There is one disciplinary issue that will be brought to the board. We have had 2 meetings since the last board meeting with the DFPC CMBC subcommittee group working on collaborative efforts, and another meeting scheduled in March.

C. Proctoring & Policy Review Committee: Don Koogle – Working on getting the Ropes I & II going by the committed July 1st date. Biggest challenge is making sure JPR's are meeting IFSAC and ProBoard standards. Reciprocity: Working towards a renewable non-accredited certification for all certs. Don will email a draft policy for review.

D. Higher Learning: John McDougall – Nothing to report.

E. Leadership Conference: Fritz Koch (Not in attendance) – Nothing to report.

F. Training Officers / Instructor's Conference: Joel Hager (Not in attendance) – Nothing to report.

G. Chapters

- **Four Corners: Josh Lorenzen – Working on cleaning up the chapter.**
- **Weld County: Cliff Dunnigan (Not in attendance) – Nothing to report.**
- **North Area: Matt O'Leary (Not in attendance) – Bret Williamson reports North Area has moved the academy up from August to April start date. Academy starts April 4th and will go through July 15th.**

XI. Certification Committee Reports:

A. Firefighter I/II: Jim Klug – Nothing to report.

B. Driver Operator: Lee Loveridge (Not in attendance) – Marianne Maxfield reports they have just had a committee meeting and did a test bank exam analysis of Operator, Pumper, and Aerial for questions with less than a 50% pass rate. All exams have been adjusted.

C. Fire Officer Oversight: Joel Hager (Not in attendance) – Marianne Maxfield reports scheduling for the 2019 standard updates with a compliance date of November 23rd or 24th.

D. Fire Instructor I / II / III: Kevin Milan (Not in attendance) – Marianne Maxfield reports that the Instructor has been updated to the 2019 edition effective February 1, 2022. JPR's are posted on the website.

E. Haz Mat: Mark Schuman (Not in attendance) – Nothing to report.

F. ARFF: Tim McCawley (Not in attendance) – Nothing to report.

G. Tech Rescue Oversight: Rick Peterson (Not in attendance) – David Rial reported that confined space and structural collapse are in the process of validating a written test.

H. Live Fire Instructor (NFPA 1403): Hugh Kane – ISFFI course is an alternative for the will count for the state, but the individuals will still need to do a written and practical exam. Classes coming up in Boulder at the end of March. Talks of a class in Weld County. If you would like to host a 1403 course, contact Hugh.

I. Incident Safety Officer: Nat Kronholm (Not in attendance) – Jeanette Kehoe reports working with Marianne Maxfield on the test bank and correlation sheets. Checking on the status of upcoming classes.

J. Fire Inspector I: Ty Drage (Not in attendance) – Marianne Maxfield reports that there is tentatively a class scheduled May 16-19 in conjunction with the spring fire school.

XII. Project Coordinator Reports

A. Website: Bryce Boyer – Working on redesign formatting. Wanting to get some info on the goal and purpose for the website, and input as to what should be on the website.

B. Facebook: Bret Williamson – Send things to Bret an independent document in order to make it easier to post things to Facebook.

C. Recruitment: Dave Maikranz (Not in attendance) – Nothing to report.

- D. **CFTOA Apparel: Lori Brill** – There are a couple different options for ordering CFTOA apparel, Squadlocker.com and 247hero apparel in which the store will be open the first two weeks in March with delivery in April. Each individual order from 247hero will be individually packaged and Lori will bring to the next CFTOA meeting. Question on if the membership would like to do a 1 time order of hats and beanies through Denver Athletics.
- E. **Training Repository: Dave Maikranz (Not in attendance)** – Nothing to report.

XIII. Old Business

- A. Challenge coins are still available
- B. Training Scholarships (Balke, Brill, Loverage)
- C. Reciprocity/Non-Accredited State Certifications – Updated given by Koogle.

XIV. New Business

- A. The Walter Stonehocker Scholarship was Announced and awarded to Veronica Jarolimek from Crested Butte Fire Protection District and Fire Chief Richard Solomon from Sable Altura Fire Rescue.
- B. CFTOA has had \$500 donated to us. Membership will need to decide how to allocate those funds.
- C. CFTOA is scheduled for the 2021 Financial Audit. We will be looking for 3 volunteers to form a committee for the audit. For those interested, contact President Jason Clark or Treasurer Jennifer Hembroff.
- D. A Motion was made by Jim Klug to allocate funds to purchase a second OWL to be linked to the current OWL for better communications during CFTOA Meetings. Phil Smith 2nd the motion. Discussion covered the cost of the OWL and how many OWLs could be linked. \$1000 was determined to be the cost of the 2nd OWL. It was determined that Lisa Pine would bring her OWL to the next CFTOA meeting to ensure that communications would be better with a second OWL. Motion passed.

XV. Calendar of State Training

- A. NFA Week February 5-11 – Grand Junction
- B. NFA Week May 14-20 – Loveland
- C. NFA Week September 10-16 – Blackhawk
- D. Four Corners Wildfire Academy March 2-9

XVI. Adjournment

- A. A Motion to Adjourn was made by Jim Klug, 2nd by Hugh Kane. No Discussion. Motion passed and meeting adjourned at 11:16 hrs.

Scheduled meetings:

- *April 8th: Platte Valley & Zoom*
- *June 10th: Pueblo & Zoom*
- *August 12th: Black Hawk & Zoom*
- *October ??: Leadership Conference*
- *December 9th: Adams County & Zoom*

Respectfully Submitted for approval -

David A. Rial

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Secretary, Colorado Fire Training Officers Association

March 16, 2022

Date

****These Minutes approved at the Regular CFTOA meeting Held , April 8, 2022.**

- CFTOA Secretary Initials: D. A. R.