



California Fire Technology Directors’ Association Meeting

Cosumnes River College
8401 Center Parkway
Sacramento, CA 95823
WINN Center, Room 150
November 17, 2022, 0900-1700 hours

Attendance:

Adams, Tim	Las Positas College	Hubbard, Kris	Cosumnes College
Atkinson, Scott	Mt. San Antonio College	Hughes, Patrick	Lake Tahoe
Baumunk, Jeff (Zoom)	El Camino	Warner, Gail (Zoom)	Imperial Valley College
Beckman, Richard	Rio Hondo College	Jewett, Matthew	Miramar College
Buell, Bob(Zoom)	Chabot College	Jaeggi, Scott (Zoom)	Rio Hondo College
Champion, Leonard	Allan Hancock	Kwong, Ken	American River College
Cripe, Ron	Modesto College	Labrado, Kileigh	Lake Tahoe
Cutino, Paul	Los Medanos College	McElhewie, Matthew	Harwell College
Deeds, Brad	Lake Tahoe	Mosack, Raymond	Mt. San Antonio College
Delcouk, Chris	Siskiyou College	Pasquna, Anna	Lassen College
Escajeda, Jackie	Mission College	Petty, Caryn	State Fire Training
Fowler, Chris	State Fire Training	Preciado, Brian	Solano Community College
Greenlee, Greg	Monterey Peninsula College	Robinson, Derek	Bakersfield College
Haas, Rick	Cosumnes River College	Roe, Donnie	Marced Community College
Hall, Darren	Miramar College	Silvestri, Daniel	911 Safet Equipment
Hall, Guy	Mission College	Truvillion, Charles	Bakersfield College
Hanneman, Dave	Idaho State University	Weaver, Dan	Lassen College
Hemler, Jason	Sierra College	Miller, Cameron (Zoom)	College of the Desert
Hubbard, Karen	ARC-Four Los Rios Campuses	White, Tim	Metro Fire

- I. **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Peter called the meeting to order at 9:00
- II. **WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS:** Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- III. **APPROVAL/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** Motion to approve by Dave Brown, second by Bryan Preciado
- IV. **APPROVAL/CHANGES TO THE MINUTES:** Motion to approve by Bryan Preciado, second by Derek Robinson

V. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT:

Financial Report

September 1, 2022, through November 16, 2022

Beginning Account Balance on September 1, 2022 \$ 20,074.19

Deposits

- challenge coin sales 18.00
- Zelle Activation Transfer test 5.00

Withdrawals

- Refreshments - Sept. meeting in San Jose -63.18
- Refreshments - Sept. meeting in San Jose -43.25
- Zelle Activation Transfer test -5.00
- UPS Store (shipping to Sacramento) -49.05

Ending Account Balance on November 16, 2022 \$ 19,936.71

Submitted By: Scott A. Jaeggi

VI. CORRESPONDENCE:

VII. STANDING REPORTS

A. SFT: Caryn Petty

1. Staffing/Promotions

- a. Brandon Erickson, Staff Services Manager I (Exam and Accreditation)
- b. Frank Vue, Instructor Registrar
- c. Derek Lueth, Records Management System Analyst
- d. Dustin Franks, Evaluator Applications
- e. Selena Garcia-Villicana, Exam Scheduling

– Caryn 2 new deputies going through backgrounds

2. Blueprint 2023

- a. Focus Group #1 met August
 - b. Strategic Plan for SFT in the coming years
 - c. Blueprint 2030 is the big project to follow-up on Blue print 2020 from 2008
 - d. BP2020: [Blueprint 2020](#)
 - e. Focus Group #2 to meet in early 2023
- Chris Fowler discussed Blueprint 2023. Blueprint 2030 is the path for SFT going forward. Ready to set new goals for the next decade. The focus group met in August at SAC State who provided

a facilitator for the group. Chris stated that it was a very diverse group throughout California consisting of a lot of young members.

- SAC State provided a summary of the meeting which is available on the STEAC website under the October minutes. Chris will send the summary to CFTDA for review. The group established short term, mid-range, and long term goals to achieve in two year increments.
- Focus Group # 2 will meet at SAC State for three days in early 2023 to put action to those goals.
- One big thing to come out of the committee is to integrate technology in what we are doing.
- SFT is looking to have a CFTDA representative attend the next Focus Group in early 2023.

3. CURRICULUM AND CERTIFICATION UPDATES

- a. **Fire and Emergency Services Instructor.** The instructor (2012 edition) series curriculum has recently been updated and correlated with NFPA 1041L Standard for Fire and Emergency Services Instructor Professional Qualifications, 2019 Edition. With this 2019 edition update, SFT has revised the certification title from “Instructor” to “Fire and Emergency Services Instructor” to align with the NFPA standard.
- b. The Instructor (2012 edition) series course plans were discontinued on **June 30, 2022**. Registered Instructors teaching courses on or after July 1, 2022, shall use the 2019 course plans.
- c. Task Books Candidates who initiate their Fire and Emergency Services Instructor 1, 2, or 3 Certification Task Book on or after July 1, 2022, shall use the 2019 certification task book. Candidates working on a 2013 Instructor 1 or Instructor 3 certification task book(s) are required to complete all Task Book Updates prior to applying for certification. There are no updates to the 2013 Instructor II certification task book.
 - [Instructor 1 Task Book Update](#)
 - [Instructor 3 Task Book Update](#)
- Have instructors reach out to Caryn if you have questions
 - d. [Implementation Plan](#) for further details or visit the [CFSTES Professional Certification webpage](#)

4. Structural Collapse-AVAILABLE NOW

- Link: [Structural Collapse Specialist \(2021\)](#)
- a. Retirement delay of RS1 to **December 2022** and RS2 and RS3 to **June 2023** (per 2022 SBFS quorum)
- b. Structural Collapse Technician 1 and 2 – this new curriculum replaces Rescue Systems 1, 2, 3. The new courses are in alignment with NFPA 1006 professional qualifications.

5. Confined Space Awareness and Technician

- Link: [Confined Space Rescue \(2021\)](#)
- a. Retirement of Confined Space Rescue 92008) on **December 31, 2022**
- b. Confined Space Rescue-the updated courses are in alignment with NFPA 1006 professional qualifications.

- No substantial changes. Take a look at the new curriculum to make sure that courses and delivery are updates.
- 6. **Common Passenger and Heavy Vehicle Rescue- AVAILABLE JANUARY 2023**
 - Common Passenger Vehicle Rescue (Vehicle Extrication) course and a new Heavy Vehicle Rescue course have been developed by a curriculum development cadre using NFPA 1006 professional qualifications.
 - a. Rollout to occur in February 2023 for existing instructors-monitor email.
 - b. Retirement of Vehicle Extrication (2018) on **June 30, 2023**
 - Link: [Common Passenger Vehicle \(2021\)](#)
 - Link: [Heavy Vehicle Rescue \(2021\)](#)
- Look at curriculum for verbiage changes
- There will be a direct cross walk from old to new curriculum for instructors.
- The instructor ratio changed from 10:1 to 8:1
- 7. **Trench Rescue-AVAILABLE DECEMBER 1, 2022**
 - a. Alignment with NFPA 1006, no change to time or cost.
 - b. All current instructors will be able to teach new curriculum
 - c. Retirement of Trench Rescue (2014) on **June 30, 2023**
 - Link: [Trench Rescue Technician \(2021\)](#)
- 8. **FC4-AVAILABLE JANUARY 1, 2023**
 - a. FC4A – Ignitable Liquids and Gases Awareness/Operations (12.0 hours)
 - b. FC4B – Ignitable Liquids and Gases Technician (12.0 hours)
 - c. No substantial cost to base class (FC4), extracted pipeline for standalone course. 12-hr and 12-hr, respectively.
 - d. Current Senior and Primary instructors will be able to teach new curriculum.
 - e. Primary Task Book candidates in process must be postmark by **December 31, 2023**.
 - f. Senior Task Book candidates should stop process. SFT no longer registers Senior Instructors for FC4 courses.
 - g. Retirement of Fire Control 4 (2015) on **June 30, 2023**
 - Link: [Fire Control 4 \(2022\)](#)
- New curriculum eliminates primary and senior instructors. Any existing primary and senior instructors will have a cross walk available, so they will have to take a look at the course plan.
- 9. **Home Ignition Zone – Defensible Space**
 - a. Created per AB38
 - b. Cadre met in Spring 2022 and pilot courses have been delivered since
- 10. **Maritime FF(June 2022)-AVAILABLE MARCH 1, 2023**
 - a. Cadre met in Sacramento in July 2022
 - b. The course will be presented to STEAC in October 2022 for a first read
- 11. **S-223, Fireline Medic – AVAILABLE NOW**
 - a. Available now as an FSTEP course

- b. Historical Recognition for existing instructors extended to **June 30, 2023**

12. Incident Safety for the Agricultural Land and Livestock Producers-AVAILABLE MARCH 1, 2023

- a. Cadre met in Sacramento in August 2022
- b. The course will be presented to STEAC in January 2023 for approval
- c. Specific questions: Chris.Fowler@fire.ca.gov
- d. The course will be presented to STEAC in October 2022 for a first read

13. Fire Fighter Survival and Fire Fighter Rescue and RIC Ops

- a. Courses have been reviewed, updated, and enhanced for currency and relevancy.
- b. FFS 16.0 hours
- c. FFR and RIC Ops 24.0 (formerly RIC Ops)
- d. The courses will be presented to STEAC in January 2023 for a first read

- Updated to align with the IAFF curriculum.
- No changes to hours to Fire Fighter Survival remains 16 hours
- RIC Ops re-titled to Firefighter Rescue and RIC Ops in alignment with brand new curriculum from IAFF. Course increased an additional eight hours.
- It will go to January STEAC for the first read.

14. Curriculum Proposals

- a. To submit a curriculum proposal, complete the form template (link: [SFT Curriculum Proposal Form](#)) and email to Chief Chris Fowler at Chris.Fowler@fire.ca.gov
- b. Machinery (2023)-Complete
- c. Large Animal (2023)-Complete
- d. Fire Investigator (2023)-Scheduled March/April 2023
- e. Tower (2023)-Scheduled February 2023
- f. Fire Fighter (2024, tentatively)
- g. BHCA (2024, tentatively)
- h. Dive Rescue-*under review*
- i. Drone-*under review (Drone submitted but not accepted)-under review*
- j. River Flood-Review 2024
- k. Rope Rescue Operation Technician-Review 2024

- Best if proposals are based on NFPA.
- Curriculum proposal template are available on the SFT website or Caryn can email you a template.
- Stand by for cadre announcements.

15. Distance Education

- a. Only ALAs and ARTPs
- b. All DE and hybrid delivery courses require SFT approval prior to delivery
 - [Distance Education Info Bulletin](#)

- [Distance Education Application \(ALA/ARTP Only\)](#)
- [Distance Education Outline Example Letter](#)
- c. Not COVID-specific, remains an option
- d. Instructor/Fire and Emergency Services Instructor series in high demand.
- DE sample request are on the CFTDA website

16. FIRE FIGHTER CERTIFICATION

- a. Certification Exam tiering system
 - Report: [FF Exam Random Skill Issuance](#)
- SFT Going through IFSAC/ProBoard accreditation, having to update language in skill sheets minor updates. Changes will be coming out in Spring.

17. Certification Exam Simulation

- Report: [Certification Exam Simulation](#)

18. Modified FF Skill Sheets require review and approval from SFT prior to use/implementation

- a. Contact Caryn Petty to coordinate.
- a. **Exam Request-Minimum** 6 weeks prior to start of first module.
- b. Utilize most-current version of Form and Roster from website
 - [Certification Exam Request Form \(2019\)](#)
 - [Certification Exam Roster Template](#)
 - [Results Template](#)
 - [Certification Exam Request Instructions \(Guide\)](#)
- c. Notation in accreditation files for non-compliance
- d. Timely return of results
- e. CSTI/IAFF Results, if applicable
- f. Responsibility of Academy to verify candidate prerequisites are satisfied
- g. CSRA, FC3, etc.
- h. Outside/Alternate Candidates: Verification of training
- i. Need a letter from the Chief as well as a training record.
 - [Training Record](#)
 - [Alternative Candidate Info and Chief Letter Template](#)
- j. Retake Candidates: ensure approval attained from SFT prior to participation
- k. Documentation may be requested at any time from SFT

19. ACADIS

- a. Forecasting
- b. Academy Instructor qualification (WebForm, etc.)
- Caryn looking at ways to improve process to identify qualified academy instructors.
- Anyone teaching general knowledge subjects at the fire academy must have Instructor 1, Ethics, and hold a Firefighter I/II depending on the subject they are teaching. Since, SFT does not track fire academy instructors they are trouble shooting to come up with a solution. Academy Directors must verify that their general knowledge instructors qualify as a 6.6 fire academy instructor.

20. Chief Fire Officer Certification – Associate Degree Requirement

- a. Effective January 1, 2021, State Fire Training is accepting applications for Chief Fire Officer Certification without an associate degree. This temporary exception allows applicants to submit the equivalency in a combination of both education and experience. Applicants are required to meet all certification requirements and apply on or before **December 31, 2022**. Interested persons should review the [Chief Fire Officer Certification – Associate Degree Requirement Informational Bulletin \(PDF\)](#) for further details.

21. UPCOMING SFT COURSE DELIVERIES

a. Registered Instructor Orientation (RIO)

- 12/7 – CAL FIRE San Diego
- 1/31-Shasta/Siskiyou
- 3/21 – Fresno Symposium

-If you want to join Caryn on an Accreditation visit please let her know

b. Certification Examination Evaluator Training (CEET)

- 12/7 – CAL FIRE San Diego
- 1/31—Shasta/Siskiyou
- 3/21 – Fresno Symposium

c. Behavioral Health and Cancer Awareness 1A, Front-Line Responder

- None pending, anyone interested in hosting?

d. Behavioral Health and Cancer Awareness 2A, First-Level Supervisor

- Spring 2023—Novato

22. AUTHORIZED SIGNERS

- a. If there has been a change to your agency leadership and/or Training Division designees, ensure agency Authorized Signers in SFT system are up-to-date
- b. FD/ALA Letter Template: [FD Authorized Chief Signer Letter Template](#)
- c. ARTP template letter: [ARTP Authorized Signer template](#)
- d. Email completed letters to Diane.radford@fire.ca.gov

23. TASK BOOKS

- a. Docusign/digital signatures for the Authorized Signers not accepted by SFT
- b. Use complete dates when completing Task Books
- c. Must list month/day/year on JPR, Teaching hours, and experience.

24. LETTERS

- a. A separate verification letter must be supplied for varied application submittals.
- b. A single letter may not be used to address both Registered Instructor *and* Registered Lead/Skills Evaluator

25. STATEWIDE TRAINING AND EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (STEAC) AND STATE BOARD OF FIRE SERVICES UPDATES

- [STEAC October 2022 Agenda](#)
- [STEAC July 2022 Agenda](#)
- [STEAC April 2022 Agenda](#)

26. Accreditations

- a. Recent ALAs
 - Santa Clara County FD (ALA) – Approved, August 2022 SBFS
 - Alameda City FD (ALA) – October 2022 STEAC
- b. Upcoming Accreditations
 - Modesto Junior College
 - Shasta College
 - College of San Mateo
 - American River College
 - Chabot College
 - Cosumnes River College
 - Columbia College
 - San Bernardino County FD

27. ACADEMY OF EXCELLENCE

- a. Will be posted in November 2022 eNews
- b. Coleman Academy of Excellence Award
 - The Ronny J. Coleman, California Accredited Academy of Excellence Award will be presented to an exemplary Accredited Regional Training Program (ARTP) or Accredited Local Academy (ALA). State Fire Training seeks to honor an academy that constructively influences its students through leadership while establishing and promoting best practices. This academy will be recognized for developing supportive training and education programs that improve the caliber and quality of the California fire service. This academy will be acknowledged for its ability to collaborate successfully within the vocational education community. To nominate an Accredited Academy, complete the *Coleman award of Excellence Nomination Form (PDF)*, attach any supplemental documentation, and submit it by **December 31, 2022**. The award will be presented at the Fresno Training Symposium in **March 2023**.

- Caryn expects more nominations this year. Santa Rosa won last year.

28. INSTAGRAM

- a. @calfire_statefiretraining

- New Instagram up and running

29. Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) Centennial Celebration

- a. March 2023

- Expect centennial events happening

- Daren – consider having May meeting @ SFT – FOR CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION
- Governors’ proclamation for the day

30. Questions/Answers/Discussion Topics

- DSA/DGS comments/concerns re: new facilities/props (current or completed)
 - See: IR 16-10 (06/20)
- SFT Looking to help with issues being experienced by colleges
 - Matt Jewett – commented on fixed vs portable props – Is there something that SFT can give us to help
 - Kris-whatever we can do to help, we will do. They have been trying to educate DSA
 - Caryn-they are thinking burn boxes are like classrooms – if anyone has applications or application numbers that went through, please share with SFT so they can educate them.
 - Peter-Drager Box having issues with school insisting on going to DSA/DGS
 - Daren-has anyone converted theirs to propane, so you don’t have to burn class A materials. The more they burn the more issue they are having because too much smoke is generated.
 - Rick Haus-have you reached out to your Air Quality Resource person, because we are exempt. We have an exemption for fire training California.
 - Darren-Yes, I know we are exempt, but that’s not the issue. We are smoking out the neighborhood.
 - Caryn-If you are having issues please reach out to us and we will see if we can help you.
 - Richard – Asked if we can we get SFM approval prior to going to DSA?
 - Kris responded it is out of our jurisdiction. We can make a recommendation, but we have no jurisdiction.
 - Caryn-NFPA 1403 is just a recommendation. We don’t require an engineering inspection.
 - Caryn discussed a proposal to issue course completion certificates for Firefighter, Wildland, and Hazmat modules. The purpose would be for record-keeping and a method to track students who completed the training but have not yet passed the certification exams. This would make it easier for academies to verify that students have completed the training and are eligible for testing. It would cost \$20.00 or less. Open discussion on the proposal, with concerns centered around additional student costs; however, everyone recognized the benefits of issuing completion certificates for the different modules. Caryn used Greg Greenwood as an example because they have a candidate that only needs to test for the Wildland module. If that student had the completion certificate, it would be easier to verify that the student had the training and was eligible to take the exam. Peter and Ray discussed the proposal’s benefits and supported the training’s certification process. Peter made everyone aware of the online survey and urged those that have not completed the survey to please complete it.

B. Statewide Training and Education Advisory Committee (STEAC) and State Board of Fire Services Updates (Richard Beckman)

- Richard Discussed the new Wildland Defensible Space Inspector course which is available on the SFT website.
- Kris Advised the group that the Wildland Defensible Space Inspector course is for pre-fire service personnel, it is not intended for fire service personnel you do not have to have any ICS training or prior experience to take the course.

- German asked how many hours is the class and do you have to be subject matter expert to teach the course.
- Kris Defensible Space Inspector with three years experience, Fire Inspector with three years experience, Fire Marshal with three years experience, Battalion Chief or higher. You can also be a registered instructor and complete the class, or complete the class and go through the PACE II process. A list of requirements can be found in the Implementation Plan. The Defensible Space Inspector course is a twenty-four hour course.
- Richard asked how you would go about hosting a course.
- Caryn replied that if your interested in hosting a course she can get you in touch with correct people.

C. Public Safety Advisory Committee Report

- a. No report at this time.

Lunch

IX. Old Business:

D. NFFF Opportunities (Jeff Seaton):

- Peter In order to teach the “Everyone Goes Home” course series. We are working on an MOU between NFFF and CFTDA to teach courses waiting for a signed copy from NFFF.

E. Non-Profit Status Up-Date (Derek Robinson):

- Peter we held off on filling the application until the new Board is in place, so we are able to put the correct names on the application.

F. Appointment of Matt Jewett to SFT Funding Committee (Cacossa)

- Chief Mesta and Matt Jewett are working on collecting all the documents Randy and Matt worked on previously. They are also working on drafting resolutions to support SFT funding.

G. Elections at November meeting (Cacossa)

- Treasurer
 - Peter- Called for nominations: Richard Beckman nominated Ray Mosack for Treasurer. No other nominations were made. A unanimous vote in favor of electing Ray Mosack as Treasure was taken.
- Secretary
 - German Sierra nominated himself for the Secretary position. A unanimous vote in favor of electing German Sierra as Secretary was taken.
- Vice President
 - Darin nominated Matt Jewett for the Vice President position. A unanimous vote in favor of electing Matt Jewett as Vice President was taken.

- President

- Ray Mosack nominated Peter Cacossa and Bob Buell nominated Jeff Baumunk for the President position. A vote was taken, the majority of the members voted for Peter to remain President.
- During nominations and voting there was a side discussion regarding in-person vs. Zoom meetings. Darren Hall advised that some people are not able to travel and thought it was a good idea to maintain the Zoom option. Scott Jaeggi supported the Zoom option and advised several members of CEMSEA Group that meets on Friday attend their meeting via Zoom.

X. New Business:

- A. Metro Fire Presentation (Tim White): Tim White made a presentation about their outreach and recruitment efforts for Metro Fire.
- B. Idaho State Presentation (Dave Henneman): Dave Henneman gave a presentation on Articulation Agreements with California Community Colleges.

XI. Round Table:

Jason Hemler (Sierra College) He ordered a phase four prop, couple of months ago, It's going to be coming hopefully in December or January. The CTE Dean Came to him and said we had another big pot of money, so they are getting a phase one as well. This is going to be coming in March. Draeger had one being built that was not sold, so they jumped in to it. They held orientation for their academies last Monday and Tuesday, They will also have one today and tomorrow. These Academies will start in January 1st with 40 students in Roseville and one with 30 students in Grass Valley, both academies are full. Class registration is pretty good, online classes are all full, in seat courses have around ten to twenty students enrolled. Registration opened up last week.

Chris Delcouk (Siskiyou College) Nothing to share, this was his first meeting and thanked everyone having him. He also volunteered to help with the CFTDA website, he did that kind of work in Woodland.

Guy Hall (Mission College) Their Academy is full already, it opened up about a couple of weeks ago. All of their FESHE classes are online and enrollment's doing pretty well. They are getting a lot of equipment and they are running out of space, they are expanding their drill tower and adding a bunch of stuff over the next year or two, so things are moving in the right direction.

Derick Robinson (Bakersfield College) They are growing their program but they are limited by their partnership with Bakersfield City and Kern County Fire Departments so they are only able to offer one firefighter academy a year. They are trying to expand out and offer a firefighter II which would lead into a work experience program. They are in the early stages of identifying funding for a new facility for the college, the land has already been purchased. This will give them the opportunity to run two full time academies a year. Interviews were completed last week so they will be sending letters out to 33 candidates to attend their next fire academy. Charles has been working on a fire prevention internship program. They have completed all the procedural internal components to establish and Bachelor of Science Degree in Police Science in accordance with AB89.

Darren Hall (Miramar) Their academies are going well, they'll be graduating about thirty-five out of tpart time and full time academies on track. Cal Fire is right there to hire all of them on the spot immediately after, if they want to go directly to Cal fire, they have a great relationship with them. They are looking at the bachelor's program, they are in the middle of the application process. It will be in Public Safety Administration with a couple of emphasis in either emergency management or an emergency medical

services, or some piece of fire that is not duplicated of what the CSU's are doing so. Their district was one of the first to have a Bachelor's Degree out of a community college, so they are very interested in us pursuing this. They are going to see if they can meet the application requirements. A lot of the strong workforce discussions are talking more at a regional level in their area, so some funds are coming down, they just released a strategic plan for their district and identified EMT and paramedic as a 29 percent increase in jobs, that is a California development number.

So they are using that and expecting some significant funding to come to support that as a part of the sector navigation and funding and the regional perspective. They are trying to stay on top of like the CCCAOE group and attend those conferences. That is where they learning about additional funding, and seeking those funds.

Matt Jewett (Miramar) They are in the process of working with their administration to do some redesigning of their academy delivery. Darren got a fire control three props so they are having a first fire control 3 course coming up.

Kris Hubbard (Consumes River College) As the new Dean of Health and Human Services, agriculture, food and natural resources he thanked everyone for coming to his facility and welcomed everyone to the campus.

Ken Klong (American River College) They are getting ready for their ARTP reaccreditation. Academy testing is also going tomorrow and Monday for their nonaffiliated Academy. They have one class on the ground class right now that has 22 students. They are slowly trying to transition the rest of their classes, so that can be taught on the ground on the with some resistance

Ray Mosack (Mt San Antonio College) They are getting ready to graduate the current fire academy of 30 students. They started with 45 students but lost several students due to injuries even before the academy started. They are trying to bump the numbers up by bringing more candidates in the beginning of the academy as alternates. They are using Mark Rotondo from MES for their uniform purchases for the next academy class. So far it is working out well with in person sizing and online ordering.

Paul Cutino (Los Medanos College) He is the EMT program director and by Academy Coordinator. They just successfully completed another Academy Accreditation. They had switched the Academy that was once in the fall to the spring because they were losing all of their cadre to out of county assignments. This is Paul's first meeting and he will be retiring after next semester.

Rick Hass (Cosumnes River College) They are still offering a full AS degree, it's on every other year, so students can pick up all the different classes, whether it's apparatus firefighter safety and survival building construction for fire service all those things. They are running an academy once a year. They will be running firefighter I academy in the fall and running firefighter II academy in the spring semester. This is a change for them the used to combined firefighter I and II in the fall semester. They received a great deal of strong workforce money to the tune of over a hundred thousand dollars a year for the last several years, he thank Kris Hubbard and Dana Wasmere for securing the funds. Rick literally took Kris's job a month ago, and the Vice President of the college sent him an email that said hey happy birthday and tells him he has another twenty-eight thousand dollars to spend in the next fourteen days. They have a great relationship with the fire department where they have a training facility to use. They could use more kids who want to be a firefighter.

Scott Atkinson (Mt. San Antonio College) They are seeing student numbers going up for both fire and paramedic academies. They start twenty-five students a semester for their paramedic cohort. They are currently in the process recruiting and accepting applications for their next paramedic cohort. When he first came to the program a year ago the numbers were really low, and they were having to drop the cut

score for the entrance exam just to get enough students to bring in to the program. They definitely experienced the results of that with students struggling to get through the program.

Greg Greenlee (Mariposa College) They are working on finalizing a MOU with the local fire department that actually owns all of the live fire props that They use. It is a Federal agency, so they want us to take over the management and the maintenance of it, because they can't charge the fees because it goes into the Federal pot, and they don't have the money to put back into them. So that's good, because that will also be their first step towards their hundredth time of moving forward with a permanent Public Safety Training Center plan. So that's the end goal of where the location will be. It's a great opportunity with that agency to keep working on that. Their enrollment is holding in the twenties. Twenty is kind of in the number that they sat in for a long time. They never had a higher than thirty Academy, so that works out well for them with their two academies a year. This semester is their first time going through the firefighter I and II combined in the Academy with all the changes. Part of the benefit of coming out of that was able to get some money for the auto X simulator for firefighter II testing. They also were able to purchase a new set of hydraulic extrication tools with money provided by the school that had to be spent in a couple of weeks. They just finished their six year comprehensive program review. They had great support and feedback from their board and the various groups, and he hopes that will continue to result in funding, toys and things for the program. They have a local agency that is looking to surplus a nineteen ninety-one

Type III engine on a Spartan chassis with a seven hundred and fifty gallon tank with a pump and roll. They don't need it, so if anybody is in need of something like that, please let him know or just send him an email, they want it to go to a college program. They had great success with their local agencies, Cal fire and their local unit through one of their A contracts is donating two type ones to them. So the pump and roll, I is something that programs need, so they will give one up since they have one already.

Richard Beckman (Rio Hondo College) Yesterday the LASD had a bunch of their cadets that were jogging during their PT get hit by a car. There were twenty-three injuries on the incident. That was four blocks away from their fire academy. So he had to put out a stop road side running or jogging memo out to their Willand program, and also their pre academy physical fitness class and the academy class, until they find out what's going on with some of their safety protocols. No one was killed but there were five that were very badly injured. They are currently graduating class, ninety-nine on December 9th with forty-six cadets left in the class. Their one-hundredth class is going to start with fifty cadets on February 13, 2023. They just got through hiring forty adjunct faculty because they have been running low on faculty members for a long time. They just processed forty-three they are going through HR right now, which is taking a little bit of time. Their truck Academy is going to start on January 13th with 40 students enrolled from different agencies, some from out of state. In conjunction with the LA Area Fire Chiefs Regional Training Group they finished an Engine Academy. They are currently putting on a hazmat technician and specialist courses that are offered twice a year. They have four applicants for their director's position with interviews taking place to select a candidate. They are hoping to get that position filled by January of 2023. They run one Wildland academy a year which takes place in spring of 2023. They are delivering a Firefighter A, B, and C module testing the first two weeks of January 2023.

Patrick Hughes (Lake Tahoe Community College) Patrick is slowly transitioning into the Academy Coordinator position.

Dan Weaver (Lassen College) They are a pretty small program compared to a lot of other programs. They don't have a fire academy or anything like that, they do have a stand-alone Cal Fire Academy Fire. From there students feed into some of their other programs. Dan introduced Anna, She is their logistics coordinator, among many, many other things.

Leonard Champion (Allan Hancock College) They are celebrating fifty years of their Academy. Their first academy was in 1972, they will be graduating Battalion 150 on December 9th with 23 students. They are currently accepting applications for their spring semester hoping to see a better turnout. They only had 39 applications for the fall semester. He is attending as many outreach events as I possibly can, trying to talk to folks about their program and get interest. They are standing a up a paramedic program that they were hoping to have stood up this fall, but because they are on a huge waiting list for accreditation they will not be able to start the program until possibly the next fall semester. There are over two hundred other sites that are looking to get accredited, so they are in line. They have their internship program going again, they are working with their local agencies and it is going well. Leonard appreciated everybody's input from the last meeting, regarding a heat, illness, prevention program he received several documents from other members. He had another request for information regarding the purchase of extractors or washers for student turnouts.

Brad Deeds (Lake Tahoe Community College) Brad thanked everyone again for letting him come to the meeting, this is his second meeting and he highly recommends his fellow Deans attend the meetings. They are redesigning their firefighter I academy, and it launches in January. They are running a hybrid course and will be applying to SFT. Their biggest issue is staffing trying to find qualified instructors. They are really excited about Pat Hugh's, he is coming in and taking over as their lead instructor and a coordinator. They are currently recruiting for a director of forestry, fire and public safety and have posted the position on the CFTDA website. They will also be recruiting for a fulltime tenured track EMS faculty position. Plans are in place to build a 28 million dollar Tahoe Based Public Safety Training Center with 5 million local dollars already put aside for the project. They have support from the Governor's office and local legislators to complete the project. Lake Tahoe Community College will be hosting the Feb. 2, 2023 meeting.

Karen Howard (California Community Colleges representing all four of the Los Rios campuses) Karen is the Assistant Director of Health and Public Safety. Karen was at the meeting to support work based learning, internships and recruitment. She is the conduit between employers and colleges, and she helps with their outreach events and advisory committee meetings

Tim Adams (Las Positas College) They filled their academy very quickly, in a week of registration they capped out at thirty students. They are looking to add a cohort of up to twenty paid students hired by local agencies to run concurrently in some format with the non-affiliates. Fire classes are a little slow on registration, now that they are not offering any online classes this semester. They are trying to draw students back to campus, it has been one of their goals. They have been working on ISA's pretty aggressively, a lot of agencies were in the process of renegotiating their current rate. Agencies are very eager to see if they will get an increase.

Gail Warner (Imperial Valley College) Imperial Pearl Valley College made the top ten for the aspen prize for the top ten best community colleges in the country, they will find out in the spring who made the number one slot. Their enrollment is increasing. They recently had a bond pass last week in the election, so they hope to fast track the start on a new regional public safety training facility within two years. They are doing a total revamp of their fire technology and fire Academy programs and they revamped their advisory committee. They graduate 24 students next month. They just received their new hazmat tanker prop today. Next year in 2023 they hope to be hiring a new full-time tenure track fire Academy Coordinator

Bob Buell (Chabot College) They will be moving into the new Hayward Fire Training Center mid-March, if not sooner. They will have their reaccreditation visit with State Fire training last Wednesday of this month. They are pursuing a collaborative approach to restoring their fire based paramedic program with Merit College, So they are looking into a number of different options on how they can do that and share it between two colleges instead of trying to do it completely their own. Los Positas their sister college currently has a paramedic program, but they are going focus primarily on fire with the other two colleges.

They got approved for a new full time Fire / EMS lab technician position. This is a full time position with under PERS and they are primarily going to work at the brand new Fire Training Center. They are also working to create a year-round academy in the mornings focused on athletes and students who cannot attend classes in the afternoon, evenings or weekends because they either have childcare work. Based on the demographic they happen to have in in Chabot's district they figure that's going to target a group of students that they just haven't been able to accommodate. Speaking as a past secretary Bob advocated that we continue to have zoom as an option, especially on the record keeping side because it is a great asset if someone needs to play back something and see what was said, what was done, or if something missed when it was his turn to share in a conversation. So it's a great resource to use whether it's shared beyond this venue.

Cameron Miller (College of the Desert) Cameron has moved into the fulltime tenured faculty position, he also filling the role of Fire Academy Coordinator. They just got approval to fly a full time fire Academy coordinator position. As part of their accreditation through the State they identified that is something they needed to start looking at. It will be a full time position. They run a part time Academy, so it'll be kind of running over the weekends for a nine month contract, this afternoon. They are looking at the feasibility of putting together a paramedic program. They are kind of isolated out in the in the desert so there's a lot of demand for Paramedics. There are really no options in the Coachella valley so their students are going out to Crafton Hills or Imperial Valley, so they are trying to start something out or at least look at the feasibility for a program. They did receive re-accreditation through SFT for a credit regional training program. Their current academy has nineteen cadets in it, which is about average for them. They started with twenty, but lost one because she wanted to go to a paramedic school.

Hope Gottlieb (JB learning) Hope introduced herself to the group.

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