

## EMIFPA

### Board Meeting Feb. 13, 2010

**Attendees:** Phil Tagg, Cibola NF So; Sue Hansen, Ciudad SWCD; Steve Remenar, KAFB FD; Karen Takai, Cibola Sandia RD; Craig Lake, Albuq. Fire; Larry Nelson, CERT; Mike Rose, NMDOH/CERT; Nettie Condit, ARC, Deb Stefan, Public, Cid Morgan, Cibola Sandia RD Ranger; Johnny Walker, BCFD; Linda Kearns, Public.

**Meeting called to order** at 9:26.

<b>Treasurers Report:</b>	Savings	\$4,219.54
	Checking	\$ 306.13

Checks paid were for Board Meeting dinner @ Gardunos and the 2007 MicroSoftware @ Best Buy.

**Audit Committee:** The audit committee completed the audit and everything was correct.

**Fundraising & Board Meetings** were held on Feb. 5, 2010 and minutes were passed out at meeting.

**Community Outreach:** On Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> approximately 90 people attended the WUI meeting at the Sevilleta game & Fish Refuse Research Station.

Final Winter Fire Information series was completed. The spring series starts on Feb. 17-topic is Lowering Risks.

N-14 Sector Plan is currently under way. The Triangle grocery would sponsor a Community Outreach wildfire information day would need to be scheduled. BCFD is checking about availability of 4" numbers for homes. St. Forestry is checking on getting water hydrants up the N-14 corridor.

**Training Committee:** Lack of participation in planning meetings the field day was cancelled.

Danny checking on some things for next year, would like to see the training back out on the ground. Training meetings will be scheduled on the annual meeting agenda to help keeping on track.

**Board Meeting:** It was suggested that each agency plan an event for their area. Plans are to have a proposed training agenda at the meeting with the agency heads in April at the BC Atrium. Agencies would need to know the number of days, people and apparatus needed and the objective of the training. It was mentioned that it would be nice to have the history of EMIFPA told by current Type III-IC, Louie Casaus, then the proposed events and an overview of what has been done in recent years at the meeting with agency heads since some are new and have not been involved with the EMIFPA organization.

**Old & New Business:** Website is currently being updated.

Meeting Agenda - dates and locations will be added to website.

Grant writing class could be included in fund raising. Deb S. would like to take the class and have that as part of her responsibility since she isn't involved with other activities at this time.

#### **Agency Updates:**

**Bernalillo County**-Wild land refresher completed approximately 200 people were trained. Hydrant testing starts in March. Cadet training will start on March 15<sup>th</sup>, over 150 people applied for the 15 slots. Pre-testing is currently being done.

**Forest Service**-Mountainair has a new AFMO. Sandia-Sunbear is the new Engine captain for the new engine 451, Adrian Padilla will be his assistant; the new fuel person is from Taos; the new trails foreman also has fire experience; the helitack and helicopter will be in place by the end of March; fire personnel will be in place by middle of April and Cindy will be at Cedro Peak in April. **Weather** outlook-normal fire season but will be late. **PIO** refresher will be held on April 7, Wednesday at the Sandia District. Hondo (Casa Loma to Cold Springs) and Sulphur (Cold Springs to Doc Long) projects are still being pursued.

**Ciudad**-In March there will be over 100 acres cleared in the Sabino open space project with a fire break created. No money available after that project. Two grants have been applied for Sedillo Ridge and outreach programs. No Response on grants for thinning around homes, schools and businesses. Sabino interpretative signs will be going up in the fall. Cid suggested that Dana Howlett might be interested in helping with that project since she is retiring in March and the new Fuels Tech could help with the Fire plan.

**KAFB**-The 130/190 class was completed. A refresher class is scheduled for March 22<sup>nd</sup> through the 26<sup>th</sup>. Pac tests will be done in April from the 5<sup>th</sup> thru the 9<sup>th</sup>. The tree count in the Main Fire area will be done in the spring after the thaw.

**CERT**-They have met with the new Torrance county emergency manager, Habierio Sanchez. They hope to have a Cert training in the East Mountains in late April or early May. Career fair was held for mid and high school students in February.

**Albuquerque FD**-Refreshers and pac tests have started and will continue thru March 12<sup>th</sup>. Jeremy will take over the Wildfire section; he is also on the Type 3 team.

**Red Cross**-Amelia's last day is in February. The new Director of Programs & Services is Donna Audette. Her phone number is 262-6161 and her email is [audetted@usa.redcross.org](mailto:audetted@usa.redcross.org).

**Forest Service SO**-Type 3 teams have been put together. The new PRG's are out.

#### **Committees:**

- **Fund raising Committee**-Deb Stefan, Karen Takai and Sue Hanson
- **Red Flag Committee**- Co-leads are Danny Valenzuela & Karen Takai, and Una Brown.

- **Public Outreach**-John Helmich, Karen Takai, Phil Tagg, Sue Hanson, Chris Gober, Mike Rose and Linda Kearns.

**Meeting adjourned** at 1200.