

# Connecticut State Firefighters Association

## Education Committee

Meeting minutes

January 23, 2014

Wethersfield Fire Department

Company #3, Kelleher Court

The meeting was called to order at 19:16 with the following representatives present:

Burrville Regional Fire School - Richard Winn

Eastern Connecticut Fire School – Al Hawkins, Les Shull, Eric Deschamps

Fairfield Regional Fire School - Chris Tracy

Wolcott State Fire School - Dave Hardt

Connecticut Fire Academy - Jeff Morrisette

Commission on Fire Prevention and Control – Rich Nicol

No one was present representing the Hartford County Regional Fire School, Middlesex County Regional Fire School, New Haven Fire Academy or the Stamford Regional Fire School.

Minutes of the October 30, 2013 special meeting in order to discuss the implementation of the new 2013 Standard 472 for Hazardous Materials Operational were distributed.

Motion to accept the minutes as corrected by Chris Tracy, second by Jeff Morrisette. Motion carried.

Hartford County Regional Fire School – Repairs to the burn building are still pending.

Fairfield Regional Fire School – Chris Tracy, Tecton Architects will publish the RFP for the Fairfield project by January, 31, 2014. There should be two weeks to review the documents then a pre-bid meeting will take place in order to comment on the documents. Proposals will be due in six to eight weeks. Bids will consist of a proposal and a sealed bid, both aspects will be weighted.

The “Q” driver program and other programs offered by Fairfield will be moved off-campus during construction of the new facilities in order to avoid any delays in the construction.

Burrville Regional Fire School – Rich Winn, Reported that they just received the preliminary plan for the school this morning from Tecton. The design for the instructor prep room is remote from the classrooms.

The current plan is to complete all environmental remediation work for all five sites at the same time. The RFP for Burrville is scheduled to be completed by February 28. Jeff said that he can move at one school per 1.5 months. The May bond agenda is anticipated by DCS. Chris thinks that both Fairfield and Burrville schools construction should be on the same bonding commission agenda.

Eastern Connecticut Fire School – Al Hawkins reported that they met with Jeff from Tecton in order to review their program on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Cheshire site – Last Thursday, Glen Washburn requested the contact for the Cheshire documents. Dave Hardt is the school contact. The architect will require another two weeks for the construction documents. The environmental package does not indicate that any remediation work will be required at this site. High banks have been created in order to block the sight lines. 13.2 acres have been laid out including the associated wetlands along Jarvis Lane.

There was a discussion about the need for an annual status meeting with concerned legislators.

NFPA 1072 standard will establish the Hazardous Materials Technician standard. ICS will be the next issue that will need to be defined.

Charlie Stankye has submitted the third quarter requests for the regional fire schools.

Jeff Morrissette reported on the status on the DMV and "Q" driver training. The DMV has been reviewing the CFA training program for the "Q" driver.

Rich Nicol asked if solar would be a large part in the construction planning for the regional fire schools. Rich reported on a recent installation in Durham that is providing some power to 240 homes.

The next meeting will take place on February 27 at Wethersfield Company #3, Kelleher Court.

Motion to adjourn at 20:32, motion by Chris Tracy, seconded by Dave Hardt.

Submitted by Al Hawkins