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ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT Thursday, November 10, 2016 10545 Armstrong Avenue – Board Room Mather, California

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Scheidegger. Board members present: Barnes, Clark, Goold, Jones, Kelly, Mitchell, Orzalli, Scheidegger, and Wood. Board members absent: None. Staff present: Chief Wells, Board Clerk Penilla, and General Counsel Lavra.

PLEDGE TO FLAG

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT ITEMS

Action: Moved by Goold, seconded by Clark, and carried unanimously by members present to adopt the Consent Calendar as follows:

- 1. Action Summary Minutes**
Recommendation: Approve the Action Summary Minutes for the Board meeting of October 27, 2016.
Action: Approved the Action Summary Minutes.
- 2. Revised Board of Directors Policies and Procedures**
Recommendation: Approve the updated Board of Directors Policies and Procedures to incorporate the recently approved stand-alone policies.
Action: Approved the revised Board of Directors Policies and Procedures.
- 3. Employer's Contribution Under the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act**
Recommendation: Adopt Resolution establishing the medical premium contributions to reflect the new benefit cap with CalPERS.
Action: Adopted Resolution 2016-084 to establish the medical premium contributions to reflect the new benefit cap with CalPERS.
- 4. Employer's Contribution Under the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act for Employees Hired After December 1, 2011**
Recommendation: Adopt Resolution establishing the medical premium contributions for employees hired after December 1, 2011 to reflect the new benefit cap with CalPERS.
Action: Adopted Resolution 2016-085 to establish the medical premium contributions for employees hired after December 1, 2011 to reflect the new benefit cap with CalPERS.

5. **Special Services – Hermocillo-Azevedo Strategic Communications**
Recommendation: Authorize the Fire Chief to approve the contract for professional services for the remainder of FY 16/17.
Action: Authorized the Fire Chief to approve the contract for professional services.

PRESENTATION ITEMS

1. **Fire Data – A Comprehensive 5 Year Evaluation** (*Fire Marshal Casentini*)
Recommendation: Receive presentation. No action required.
Action: Received presentation.
2. **Swearing-In Ceremony** (*President Scheidegger*)
 - A. **Present Chief Wells with Retirement Resolution 2016-081**
Action: Received presentation. President Scheidegger and Assemblyman Cooley presented Chief Wells with resolutions commending Chief Wells on his retirement.
 - B. **Administer Oath of Office to Chief Harms**
Action: Received presentation. President Scheidegger administered the Oath of Office to Chief Harms and Chief Harms' family pinned his badge and bugles. Chief Wells passed the trumpet to Chief Harms, signifying passing command of Metro Fire.

REPORTS

1. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**
President Scheidegger announced this will be his last meeting as Board President and as a member of the Board representing Division 5. He shared two words that describe his service to Metro Fire's Board, pride and gratitude. Pride in serving the community with the great team known as Metro Fire, this includes staff and fellow Board Members. Director Scheidegger expressed his gratitude to Chief Wells for his leadership at Metro Fire for the last two years, the Board Clerk, and his wife Marilyn. Director Scheidegger and Marilyn recently celebrated 41 years of marriage and serving as a Director takes effort and sacrifice, and he thanked her for her support.

2. **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

Upcoming Meetings/Events

11/12 Dean Baker Crab Feed (SMFFA)

Reassignment

Effective 12/27, Captain Matt McGrew – Training Day Captain

New Hire

Effective 11/7, Fire Inspector I Dennis Whitt

Retirement

Effective 10/28, Engineer Jeff Gibboney, 22 years of service

Effective 11/1, Captain Richard Schmiedt, 29 years of service

MISC / PIO

11/7, the same evening the Lucas Device stories aired, crew on M61 had a field save using the Lucas Device.

Operations Report

Deputy Chief Bridge reported out since the Board Meeting on October 27th there have been approximately 3,600 dispatches. There were 2,700 EMS related dispatches with a transport rate of 73%.

With Fire Season coming to an end Chief Bridge reported out on the 2016 deployment statistics. Metro Fire was dispatched to 27 team incidents, with 14 being OES team and 11 regional team deployments, and 2 all-Metro, for a total of 337 employees sent out.

3. GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT:

General Counsel Lavra congratulated Chief Wells on his retirement. It has been an honor and privilege to work together and consulted on hundreds of occasions since Chief Wells was appointed as Deputy Chief of Administration through his tenure as Fire Chief. Chief Wells always took action for the right reason and what was in the best interest for the District.

4. SMFD – FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 522 REPORT:

Captain Condit who serves on the Executive Counsel reported out on behalf of Local 522. He thanked Director Scheidegger for his service as a Board Member, thanked Chief Wells for everything he has done for Metro Fire, and welcomes Chief Harms.

5. COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS

All Committee Meetings will be held at the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District Board Room, 10545 Armstrong Avenue, Mather, California unless otherwise specified.

A. Executive Committee – (Scheidegger)

Next Meeting: TBD

B. Communications Center JPA – (Bridge)

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 9:00 A.M.

C. California Fire & Rescue Training JPA – (Kelly)

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 15, 2016 at 4:00 P.M.

Location: California Exercise Simulation Center (CESC)
10545 Armstrong Avenue, Suite 320
Mather, CA 9655

D. Finance and Audit Committee – (Wood)

Next Meeting: TBD

E. Policy Committee – (Goold)

Next Meeting: TBD

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Director Jones welcomed Chief Harms and is looking forward to working with him. She congratulated Chief Wells for retirement, it is the "best promotion". Director Jones thanked Director Scheidegger for his commitment to the agency. His leadership and work on the Board has benefited the community.

Director Kelly shared that he has the utmost respect for Chief Wells. It has been a pleasure watching him come from within the organization and having him at the helm. He welcomes Chief Harms to the professional organization that is Metro Fire. Finally, Director Kelly gave his appreciation to Director Scheidegger, especially for his utmost professionalism and dedication to doing the right thing.

Director Clark thanked Chief Wells for his true professional service. Chief Wells always helped when his Division was in need. He wished him all the best in retirement, especially good health. Director Clark looks forward to sitting down with Chief Harms. Lastly, he thanked Director Scheidegger for his leadership on the Board and as President.

Director Orzalli recently attended the State of Sacramento County with Director Jones. He congratulated Chief Wells on retirement, it has been an honor to work with him, and shared something Chief Wells said, "In my experience, when you treat people like people, they genuinely behave like people." He carried that philosophy into his role as Fire Chief. He welcomes Chief Harms. Finally, he thanked Director Scheidegger, he is the real deal and has made a real difference. His friendship on the Board will be truly missed.

Director Goold shared that we are witnessing a great Fire Chief leave the organization, and beyond that a great human being. He thanked the wives of Chief Wells, Chief Harms, and Director Scheidegger for their love and support. Director Goold will miss the banter between Director Orzalli and Director Scheidegger. He wished Director Scheidegger all the best!

Director Mitchell thanked Assistant Chief Casentini for his presentation. Director Mitchell has known Chief Wells for quite some time and shared that he thanks Chief Wells for his support over the years. He welcomes Chief Harms. He also thanked Director Scheidegger for his great counsel and assistance in orienting him as a new Board Member.

Director Barnes commended the uniform and professional staff for the work it takes to keep Metro Fire going as a first class organization. During the two years he served on the Board, Chief Wells has navigated the Board through difficult decisions. Director Barnes has also come to know Chief Wells as a friend, and he hopes to continue that friendship. He wished him the best in retirement and told him to enjoy the benefits of being retired for as long as possible. Director Barnes is looking forward to collaborating with Chief Harms going into the future. He thanked Director Scheidegger for welcoming him as a Board Member two years ago and for his leadership as Board President. He welcomes Director Sheetz, and is looking forward to working with her. Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

Director Wood congratulated Chief Wells and thanked him for keeping Directors informed during his tenure as Fire Chief. To Director Scheidegger, your leadership and integrity will be greatly missed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.



Ted Wood, Vice President



Jim Barnes, Secretary



Melissa Penilla, Clerk of the Board