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Fire Chief

# Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

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## ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT

Thursday, October 27, 2022

Held at the following locations:

10545 Armstrong Avenue – Board Room

Mather, California

&

Remotely Via Zoom

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Saylor. Board members present in person: Clark, Goold, Jones, Orzalli, Saylor, Sheetz, and Wood. Board members present virtually via Zoom: Rice. Board members absent: White. Staff present: Chief Harms and Board Clerk Penilla.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** - None

### CONSENT ITEMS

**Action:** Moved by Goold, seconded by Wood, 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 Regular Board meeting of October 13, 2022.

**Action:** Approved the Action Summary Minutes.

2. **Surplus Vehicle Designation**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution establishing a list of surplus vehicles, and sell or donate the vehicles as deemed appropriate by the Fire Chief.

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 2022-089.

### Presentation Item

1. **Letter of Commendation – June 24, 2022 Incident** (*Deputy Chief Mitchell*)

Sacramento Metro Fire Captain Shawn Lemon, 42C

Sacramento Metro Firefighter Tucker Hodge, 42C

Sacramento Sheriff's Sergeant Devin Card

Sacramento Sheriff's Deputy Codi Lopez

Sacramento Sheriff's Deputy Ambar Vicente-Rivas

Sacramento Sheriff's Deputy Remar Pasalo

Sacramento Sheriff's Deputy Christopher Guerra

Sacramento Sheriff's Deputy Shea Lukes

Sacramento Sheriff's Deputy Daniel Duran

Sacramento Sheriff's Deputy Jesus Oliver

**Recommendation:** Receive the presentation, no action required.

### ACTION ITEMS

1. **Notice of Award - RFP 22-04 Fire Station Architecture and Engineering Services**  
(*Erin Castleberry, Administrative Analyst*)

**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution and authorize the Fire Chief to execute and administer an agreement materially similar to the draft attached with the highest ranked proposer or second highest ranked proposer, should an agreement not be reached with the former.

**Director Rice had Zoom connection challenges and was not available for a portion of the recommendation or vote.**

**Action:** Moved by Wood, seconded by Clark, and carried (Aye: Clark, Goold, Jones, Orzalli, Saylor, Sheetz, and Wood; Absent: Rice and White) to adopt Resolution No. 2022-090 and authorize the Fire Chief to execute and administer the appropriate agreement.

## REPORTS

**Director Rice rejoined the meeting during reports.**

### 1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT—*(President Saylor)*

President Saylor attended the Fire Districts Association of California Leadership Symposium earlier this week. She attended various breakout sessions all relevant to the fire service and current issues, and encourages others to attend in the future.

### 2. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT—*(Chief Harms)*

#### Reinstatement

Welcome to Kevin Johnston who has been reinstated to the position of firefighter effective October 17, 2022.

#### Retirement

Congratulations to Captain Brian Currie on his retirement on October 14, 2022, after 21 years of service.

Congratulations to Firefighter Richard Turner on his retirement on October 14, 2022, after 28 years of service.

#### Reassignment

Battalion Chief Scott Perryman has been reassigned as the Mobile Integrated Health Program Coordinator, effective October 29, 2022. Captain Adam Spiva has been reassigned from the MIH Program to Suppression, effective October 29, 2022. The District would like to thank Captain Spiva for managing this program, especially during the start-up phase.

#### Recruitment

Single Role Paramedic – Final Filing Date Friday, November 18, 2022

#### Meetings/Conferences

Chiefs Forums haven been taking place throughout the month, with the last meeting on 10/31.

10/18, Sacramento County & Metro Fire 2x2 meeting which focused on statistics, with emphasis on drug overdoses especially fentanyl poisoning.

10/18, Promo Ceremony - A big thank you to Brenda Briggs for coordinating the Promotion Ceremony, and congratulations to everyone honored. It's been sometime since we had an event like this, and it was nice to see everyone together to celebrate the promotees.

10/20 Sac County Fire Chiefs Association meeting

10/20, Lowe's support for First Responders for National First Responders Week Donation event. Lowe's made a gracious donations of tools and supplies to Metro Fire to show their support and appreciation for the work our members do every day.

### **OPERATIONS' REPORT**

Deputy Chief Mitchell shared there have been 4,011 total incidents since our last report on October 13, 2022; an average of 286.5 calls per day. With 134 fire incidents responded to, an average of 9.5 calls per day.

DC Mitchell shared some CERT Airshow statistics. There were many hours put into the airshow this year, specifically 428 volunteer hours. They treated 31 patients which is much lower when compared to years past.

Lastly, on October 24th, at 0904 hours, BC5, E25, M25, E27, and TR26 responded for a reported vehicle into a house on Roseville Rd near Whyte Av, near the border of Sacramento and Placer County. Responding crews were updated en route by Dispatch that law enforcement was on scene, reporting multiple patients, along with CPR in progress on a pediatric patient. Captain John Squaglia on E25 arrived and began management of the scene with his crew. Captain Rich Rubiales on E27 established command, confirming multiple critical patients and declared a Multi Casualty Incident, requesting 3 more medics and 1 additional truck company. Battalion Chief Scott Perryman arrived and assumed Roseville Road Command, working with EMS 24/Captain Shannon Chamberlin to setup communication with UC Davis for patient notification and hospital destinations. Within 7 minutes of arriving on scene, Firefighter/Paramedic Aleksey Shakh on M25 had the pediatric patient assessed, packaged, and began transport to the Emergency Department. En route to the hospital, M25's crew was able to get pulses back on the pediatric patient. Within 20 minutes of our crews arriving on scene, all 4 patients were transported to local hospitals.

Our crews received several compliments and positive feedback from law enforcement and the area hospitals receiving patients. In particular, early declaration of an MCI, early notification to UC Davis, and frequent updates with detailed information, were positive remarks provided as part of our official MCI critique. This is a direct testament to the strong work and professional attitude of the Metro Fire members that responded to this incident.

### **3. SMFD – FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 522 REPORT**

Local 522 Vice President Matt Cole welcomes Kevin Johnston back to Metro Fire. He also wishes Brian Currie and Rich Turner the best in retirement.

The E-Board met recently to discuss local charities and expanding throughout the community. He also attended the professional partnership conference.

Lastly, he took the Board's message of supporting the tentative agreement to the membership and with overwhelming majority the membership also support the tentative agreement. He looks forward to changing focus to other exciting items.

#### **4. 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 – (President Saylor)**

Next Meeting: November 4, 2022 at TBD

**B. Communications Center JPA – (DC Wagaman)**

Next Meeting: November 8, 2022 at 9:00 AM

**C. Finance and Audit Committee – (Director Orzalli)**

Report Out: October 27, 2022 at 5:00 PM

The committee met earlier tonight and heard a presentation from CFO O'Toole regarding CalPERS, and an update on District finances through August 31<sup>st</sup>.

Next Meeting: TBD

**D. Policy Committee – (Director Goold)**

Next Meeting: November 10, 2022 at 5:30 PM

#### **BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

Director Jones congratulated Director Orzalli for leading the Finance and Audit Committee through all these years. She also thanked Deputy Chief Wagaman and Investigator Johnson for speaking at an event earlier in the week and answering several questions related to fireworks. She hopes the video showed tonight can be incorporated into recruitment efforts, what a wonderful way to show the dynamic job we do here at Metro Fire. Lastly, a thank you to Brenda Briggs, whom she has worked with since 1995 beginning in the juvenile fire setter program, Brenda has always done impeccable work and she thanks her for continued professionalism throughout the years.

Director Rice congratulated the District and 522 bargaining team for reaching an agreement, he is very proud to be part of this organization. Kudos to the team who were involved in the video, Director Rice went on to share how the Sacramento County Sheriff Deputies are the finest in law enforcement and is proud to partner with them.

Director Sheetz also shared her sentiments for the Sacramento County Sheriff Deputies and Metro employees, whom she has had a chance to work with throughout her career. She is so thankful to work side-by-side such wonderful and professional people. Director Sheetz also congratulated the promotees, and the union for the contract process, it is a privilege to be in a role supporting this organization.

Director Wood thanked the members for working hard on a contract. He also recognized Deputy Chief Mitchell for sharing the stories from the membership tonight. Director Wood is glad to see BC Perryman participating in the MIH Program again, he remembers their trip to Washington DC where then Captain Perryman was working so hard on this program concept. Director Wood volunteered at the chili cook-off benefitting the Firefighter Burn Institute, and participated in the

Sacramento County 2X2, where he said goodbye and congratulations to Supervisor Nottoli and thanked him for his service.

Director Orzalli thanked everyone for allowing him to represent the Board on the Finance and Audit Committee, and he appreciates the work that has gone into that committee's success.

Director Goold thanked those who coordinated the cancer awareness engine to be present at tonight's meeting. It is important to remember that wicked disease takes many of our friends, very untimely. In regards to the intense video that was shown tonight, and it is important we remember this is what happens everyday! This is what the men and women of the public safety community do and see everyday! Director Goold also gives kudos to the responding crews for the incident mentioned during the operations report, to have an MCI declared and all patients en route to the hospital within 20 minutes of arrival is wonderful.

Director Clark thanked Deputy Chief Wagaman for the tour at Del Campo's Fire Technology Program, it is a great way for kids to be introduced to the fire service. Scott Schneider is doing a great job with the space he has, and making the program successful. He thanked the award recipients to their service in the community, job well-done! Lastly, he thanked Local 522 for a smooth contract negotiation process, having been a part of many negotiations in his career, Director Clark was happy to see this one go so well.

**The Board recessed to closed session at 7:00 pm.**

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

1. **Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) – one (1) matter of Workers Compensation Settlement Authority.**
  - A. Daniel Faulkner and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District  
Claim # SMDK - 549816 – Workers' Compensation Settlement Authority – Colin Connor of Lenahan, Slater, Pearse & Majernik, LLP  
**Action:** Moved by Wood, seconded by Jones, and carried unanimously by members present to give settlement authority to Metro Fire's third party administrator.
  
2. **Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) – two (2) matters of Workers Compensation Compromise and Release.**
  - A. David Burnett and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District  
Claim # SMDS - 550455 – Workers' Compensation Settlement Authority – Colin Connor of Lenahan, Slater, Pearse & Majernik, LLP  
**Action:** Moved by Rice, seconded by Jones, and carried unanimously by members present to give settlement authority to Metro Fire's third party administrator.
  
  - B. Edwin Crawford Jr. and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District  
Claim # 4A21108220F-0001 – Workers' Compensation Settlement Authority – Colin Connor of Lenahan, Slater, Pearse & Majernik, LLP  
**Action:** Moved by Jones, seconded by Rice, and carried unanimously by members present to give settlement authority to Metro Fire's third party administrator.

3. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION – Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (b): One case**

- A. Claim Against Public Entity Pursuant to Government Code Section 910  
Jaysa Harrison v. Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District  
Deputy Chief Bailey

**Action:** Moved by Goold, seconded by Jones, and carried unanimously by members present to deny the claim and refer the matter to the District's insurance carrier.

**The board reconvened to open session at 7:30 PM.**

**ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 PM.



Cinthia Saylor, President



Walt White, Secretary



Melissa Penilla, Board Clerk