



DATE:	Thursday, February 23, 2023
TIME:	0900 -1200
LOCATION:	Virtual

Call to Order

A virtual FIRESCOPE Board of Director's meeting was held on Thursday, February 23, 2023. The meeting began at 0900 hours on February 23, 2023. It was presided by Chief Brian Fennessey.

Attendees

Voting members in attendance included:

Brian Fennessey, Chair, Orange County Fire Authority
Maurice Johnson, Vice-Chair, Fire Districts North
Brian Marshall, Executive Coordinator, Fire and Rescue, Cal OES
Joe Tyler, CAL FIRE
Aaron Duncan, Kern County Fire Department
Kristin Crowley, Los Angeles City Fire Department
Anthony Marrone, Los Angeles County Fire Department
Dustin Gardner, Ventura County Fire Department
Jeanine Nicholson, City Fire Departments North
Colin Stowell, City Fire Departments South
Jeff Gilbert, Volunteer Fire Departments
Jaime Gamboa, USDA Forest Service
Dan Munsey, Fire Districts South
Eddie Sell, California State Firefighters' Association
Brian Rice, California Professional Firefighters
Peter Kelly, *representing* Bureau of Land Management
Wendy Collins, *representing* State Fire Marshal
Suwana Kerdkaw, County Fire Departments North

Members not in attendance included:

Mike Minton, National Park Service

Mark Hartwig, Santa Barbara County Fire (Garrett Huff attended)
Chris Tubbs, Cal Chiefs (Mark Heine attended)

Guests in attendance included:

Nancy Ward, Cal OES, Director
Brook Spelman, CAL FIRE – Task Force Chair
Jon O'Brien, LA County Fire – Ops Team Vice Chair
Jim Johnstone, FIRESCOPE, Cal OES
Cathy Johnson, FIRESCOPE, Cal OES
Shelley Dorsey, FIRESCOPE, Cal OES
Yesenia Serafin, FIRESCOPE, Cal OES

Welcome, Introductions, Agenda Review*

Introduction of Cal OES Director Nancy Ward

Presented by Marshall

Approval of Previous Minutes*

A motion to approve the minutes of the October 5 & 6, 2023 meeting.

Motion: Tyler

Seconded: Nicholson

Motion approved

Ops Team/Task Force Report*

Update presented by Kendall/Spelman

- Ops Team
 - Met in Santa Barbara on January 24th and 25th with the Task Force.
 - Received subcommittee reports and presentations.
 - Closed the meeting with a presentation from Chief Vail on the FIRESCOPE History Project.
 - Held election for new officers. The Chair is now Chief Kendall, Vice-Chair is Chief O'Brien and Secretary is Chief Gerboth.
 - Welcomed new Ops Team member, John Goss, representing NPS.
 - Randy Skelton has retired. His replacement is pending.
- Task Force
 - Josh Stinnett is being replaced by Cary Wright and Dan Horton is being replaced by Pedro Arreguin on the Task Force.

- Dean Zipperman and Dave Gerboth are transitioning to the Ops Team.
 - Brook Spelman is the new Chair, Jason Serrano will be the Vice-Chair and Rob Rezende is the new Secretary.
- *EIT Subcommittee Update on Incident Personnel Tracking.
- Update presented by Spelman**
- Should have a final survey delivered next month before the Task Force meeting. Will be sent out to specific people within the departments. Would like to get input from one or two people from each department on what their vision is for personnel tracking, and what they are already doing. This will correlate with the federal side regarding the Dingle Act.
- *2022 FOG Manual & App Revision Update
- Update presented by Johnstone**
- GovDelivery subscribers are at 87,362 and that number continues to grow.
 - A Powerpoint presentation with data was reviewed.
 - The FOG mobile device app was completed late last year. In the last 30 days it had 7.6K users compared to only 20,000 users the entire year in 2022.
 - May move to having just the app in the future.
 - The FOG increased in price to \$15 on January 1, 2023.
- *FIREScope Quarterly Briefing
- Motion: Johnson
 Second: Crowley
 Approved with additions discussed
- *2023 FIREScope Plan of Work
- Motion: Fennessy
 Second: Johnson
 Approved

- *Haz Mat Mass Decontamination OSD
 - Motion: Munsey
 - Second: Stowell
 - Approved
- *ICS 701 Unified Response to Violence
 - Motion: Gilbert
 - Second: Tyler
 - Approved
- *ICS 162 Implementation Plan (TS&R OSD)
 - Motion: Munsey
 - Second: Nicholson
 - Approved
- *2023 Interagency Aviation Information Spreadsheet
 - Needs to be sent back to the Aviation Subcommittee identification of changes from the previous version.
- *White Paper – Behavioral Health Needs for Fire Service Retirees
 - Need to add a list of best practices. Bring back to the BoD in April.
- *White Paper – Challenges and Solutions to Implementing Fire Service Cancer Prevention
 - Motion: Marrone
 - Second: Gilbert
 - Approved
- *Subcommittee Charters, Plans of Work, & Rosters
 - Motion: Munsey
 - Second: Nicholson
 - Approved

Old Business

Update presented by Fennessy/Marshall

- *MACS 410-4 FIRESCOPE Approved By-Laws Review
 - Document review and discussion.
- Complex Incident Management Transition and its impact on CICCIS
 - Chief Vail gave an overview of the history.
 - In August, responded to a letter from CWCG regarding the transition.

Per Board majority, we are not going to participate until we can evaluate CIM and its impact on CICC'S.

- We have had meetings with the Region 5 Forest Service and they have been supportive of our position.
- 41% of CWCG teams are local government personnel.
- Committed to developing our Type III IMT's for local government.
- Looking for a path from Type III IMT's to Type I IMT's much like CAL FIRE has done in their 4039 manual.
- California is affected more than other states.
- Assessing the position of FEMA NIMS in relation to CIM.
- This year, the team selections will be the same as they have been before. The real impact will be coming in 2024.
- We are invested deeply in CICC'S.
- The intent is to remove the identification of Type I and Type II Incident Management Teams from IROC when going into the CIM criteria. This is still a discussion item. We will have to decide if we are going to stick to our course of Type I and Type II typing. We would have to request California only typing. The other question is, what is an alternative to IROC?
- Will keep as an agenda item for further discussion at the April BoD and possibly the July BoD.

New Business

Update presented by Fennessey/Marshall/Rice/Gardner

- *Prop 19 & Senate Bill 450 – Fire District Funding
 - **Presentation was given by Rice**
 - Chief Fennessey gave a brief history.
 - Presently there is no funding behind it. But, there will be in the future.
 - We don't want to be caught off guard and an administrative structure is needed prior to the funding being provided.
 - A Board subcommittee will be formed to guide the establishment of the Admin structure.
 - Next steps:
 - Develop the application forms that Special Districts will use to apply for Prop 19 funding (when it is available)
 - Recommendation:* Base these applications on applications for existing OES grant programs and the federal SAFER grant program, consistent with SB 450.

-Recommendation: Use this unfunded year as a time to establish the process so that, as funding becomes available, applications from Special Districts can commence without delay.

- Remain diligent in tracking funding each year, work closely with DOF to continue calculations.
- Planned Mutual Aid Summit - Ventura
 - Tuesday, April 4, 2023. All day meeting.

2023 Board of Directors Meeting Schedule and Venues

July 12 & 13	El Dorado Hills
October 4 & 5	Santa Barbara
January 10 & 11, 2024	Cal OES HQ

Roundtable

Adjournment

Chief Brian Fennessey moved for the meeting to be adjourned. Approved at 1144.