



FIRESCOPE OPERATIONS TEAM
MINUTES
San Francisco
June 10, 2021
0930

Welcome/Roll Call

Poirier

Members Present: Operations Team

| | | |
|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Peshkin (KRN) | O'Brien (LAC) | Dossey (ORC) |
| Walder (WMR) | Neamy (NIMS Consortium) | Kendall (CalFire) |
| Poirier (LFD) | Gardner (VNC) | |
| Velo (SFFD) | Johnstone (OES) | |

Members Not Present: Operations Team

LeMoine (ACF)
Skelton (USFS)
Farris (SBC)
Richardson (Cal OES Mutual Aid I)
Minton (NPS)
Barber (RBFD)
Mc Laughlin (TCFD)
Bidaduru (USFA)

Others Present: Task Force & Specialist Groups

| | | |
|-------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Johnson, C. (OES) | Gerboth (SND) | D'Arcy (SFR) |
| Zipperman (LFD) | O'Brien (LAC) | |

Welcome, Introductions, and Logistics

Poirier/Velo

Agenda Review*

Appreciation of Chief Dave Richardson's FIRESCOPE service

Poirier

Election of New Ops Team Officers

Chair: Poirier
Vice-chair: Gardner
Secretary: Kendall

Motion to Approve the New Ops Team Officers:
Neamy
Second: Velo
Approved

Review and Approval of Minutes*

Poirier

March 8, 2021 – Conference Call

Motion: Kendall
Second: Neamy
Approved
Abstained: Walder

April BoD Meeting Report (4/6 & 4/7, 2021)

Poirier

- The FOG has been the main focus for the last year for the Task Force. Tremendous effort from the specialist/working groups and liaisons to get the products done. Two chapters are left to complete.
- Approval of the FIREScope and Specialist Groups' Plans of Work. Presentation was given to the BoD.

Task Force Report

Gerboth

- Specialist/Working Group Reports
 - A brief update was given on each of the specialist/working groups.
- Technical Search & Rescue OSD Update/FOG Chapters 16 & 19*
 - Have been working on the OSD for a couple of years.
 - The document is 314 pages. Very detailed.
 - Went back and forth on changes that OES Overhead wanted to implement.
 - The document has been completed. The only item with controversy is with mobilization - Chapter 14.
 - There are some differences in interpretation on the ability of the eight Urban Search & Rescue FEMA Task Forces in California to mobilize. Who has the ultimate control over deployment of those resources? There is a tri-party agreement that is in place for each of those task forces between OES, FEMA and the sponsoring agency.
 - Legal counsel is engaged on this.
 - Having a special meeting on June 17th with the Board of Directors to follow up on this subject.

- CAD to CAD Working Group Update
 - Opportunity to put some SME's together to provide guidance. Looking for more members.
 - Chief D'Arcy from San Francisco is the TF liaison for the group.
- FOG Revision Update – 50 Year Anniversary on Cover Proposal
 - The new FOG cover will recognize the 50-year FIRESCOPE anniversary.
 - Proposing a black cover with a 50th anniversary symbol.
 - Cal OES IT will be working on fine tuning the design of the symbol.
 - Will be looking for approval from the BoD at the July meeting.
 - This could possibly be the last printing of the FOG.
 - Looking into the cost of producing a challenge coin and/or a small sticker to put on FIRESCOPE member apparatus.
 - Recognition of the 50th anniversary on the homepage of the FIRESCOPE website.
- Decon Unit Typing Update
 - HazMat group is working on this project. Making good progress. Expect the product to be complete by the July BoD meeting.
- UAV Working Group Update & Presentation Huff
 - Two years ago, at the Ops Team meeting, the UAS subcommittee under aviation presented a training course that they developed internally in task books for four UAS positions.
 - During that meeting, it was decided to align more with the NWCG course. S373 course that exists in the DOI. They already had the exact same task books. The last two years has been very difficult to get the course.
 - A PowerPoint presentation on training was given by Lyndsay Alarcon from the Forest Service.
- *Wildland Preplan Working Group Update & Presentation Capobianco/Rapoza
 - A year ago, received direction from the BoD with the approval of a white paper to put together a working group to start working on a standardized wildland preplan. The working group has been established. They haven't met in person but have had several virtual meetings.
 - Group was put together by Chief Rapoza.
 - Seven members in the group.
 - Working on getting the preplan ready before wildland season starts.
 - To present to the BoD at the July meeting.
 - PowerPoint presentation was given by Chief Kennedy.

Discussion/Approval of Task Force Documents*

Ops Team

- Annual MACS Exercise & 2021 Introduction Video (OCFA & RRU) Spelman
 - Gave an overview of the video.
 - Orange County developed the original video. Cal Fire Riverside developed the 2021 update and introduction. They will be recognized formally at the next BoD meeting.

- There is a small correction in the video that is being fixed this week.
 - Will send out globally next week.
 - Posted on the FIREScope website homepage.
- FIREScope Quarterly Briefing – Spring 2021 Gerboth
 Motion: Kendall
 Second: Walder
 Approved
- Behavioral Health SG – Additional Positions in IROC Serrano
 Motion: Velo
 Second: Poirier
 Approved
- FIREScope Reorganization White Paper and Org Charts Gerboth
 Motion: Kendall
 Second: Neamy
 Approved
- ICS 215 C (Contingency) Spelman
 Motion: Walder
 Second: Velo
 Approved
- Operations Team Updated Confidential Roster Johnstone
 - Make sure that your information is current.
 - Let Chief Johnstone know if you have anything specific that has changed.
 - New members need to complete their bio and submit a photo.
 - Goal is to have current information for all members for the online roster.
- REMS Working Group Charter, Plan of Work, and Roster Gerboth
 Motion: O'Brien
 Second: Velo
 Approved

OLD BUSINESS

- FIREScope ICS 010 – Glossary of Terms Update Johnstone
 - In the FOG revision, the glossary of terms was updated with many new terms. Many were added by the Behavioral Health Specialist Group.
 - We have a document (ICS 010) in our publications that needs to be updated. Task Force will make the necessary revisions and then share with the Ops Team.
- ICS 701 – Emergency Response to Tactical Law Enforcement Incidents - O'Brien
 - ICS 701 document that was approved by the BoD in 2015 was a document that wasn't reflected in the FOG.

- Looked at ways to incorporate it into the FOG. Were able to interweave it into chapter 18 and move the chapter from terrorism/weapons of mass destruction to unified response to violence.
- Has been placed into the EMS Specialist Group's plan of work.
- Next meeting will be on June 30th.
- Update on Wildland Urban Interface Structure Defense Document Johnstone
 - Major FOG revision to Chapter 14.
 - A Working Group was re-established for FIRESCOPE's WUI Structure Defense documents.
 - The WUI SD document posted under publications is now in need of revision. (2012)
 - There is an agreement with that working group to also reconvene to update and make it standard with the FOG. It's a more detailed document.
- MACS 409 – Mutual Aid Agreements (ICS 900) Johnstone
 - A conference call was held with Chief Gardner and Chief Kendell.
 - This document relates to agreements of all types, and when/how they mesh.
 - It is a current document that needs a major revision.
 - May use the Thomas Incident as a template. Then it will enter into the decision process when the time comes.

NEW BUSINESS

- \$20 Collection from Members for Retired Member FIRESCOPE Mugs -Johnstone
 - Once a year we ask for \$20 from each member to go toward purchasing a FIRESCOPE mug for members who retire.
 - Please give the money to Shelley Dorsey.

Updates and Reports

- Cal OES* Johnstone
 - 2021 Cal OES Update presented.
- Cal Fire Kendall
 - Last Monday Cal Fire moved to peak staffing. Takes them up to full staffing and 356 engines across the state. 58 dozers. Aviation assets have all been deployed. Down two air tankers and one air attack platform due to maintenance. Delayed about two weeks on deploying the last two SIs.
 - Currently have four Black Hawks in service. Took delivery of two more. Looking at the transition training for those. Trying to dual train everyone in the Black Hawk and the Huey. Still stalled on the conversion of the C130s. First one should be tanked and flying in 2023. Maybe the end of 2022.

- Huge crew shortage across the state. Early release of members of inmate crews.
- Brought on paid hand crews... working through the process of getting them trained and deployed.
- Staff worked this winter on Covid vaccines and assisting the counties and local government.
- USFS/DOI Skelton/Minton
 - No report
- U.S. Fire Administration Bidaburu
 - No report
- State Fire Training Gerboth
 - Chief Henning has been promoted. Currently looking for his replacement.
 - The Firefighter II curriculum is coming to an end December 31, 2021.
 - Working on the fee structure for classes.
 - Making an effort on the Technical Rescue classes. Moving toward NFPA compliance as opposed to just the State Fire Marshall.
- NFPA Neamy
 - Chief Neamy revises and submits the NFPA terminology suggestions that goes into the FOG.
 - Already submitted the 1026. Has until November to submit it for 1561 Incident Management Standards.

Next Board of Director's Meeting

- July 7 -8, 2021 OCFA In-person

Next Ops Team Meeting

- September 22, 2021 Conference Call

Roundtable

Adjourned Day 1 at: 1700 and Day 2 at: 1451

* Denotes shared documents for discussion/approval