**MSFA Training Committee Meeting**

**January 27, 2019**

**MFRI – UESRTC Centerville, MD**

**Present:** Chairman Leon Fleming, Charles Simpson, Scott Wood, Bobbie Stevens, Dan Stevens, Steve Cox, Robert McHenry, Bob McHenry, Brendan Bonita, Mark Bilger, Bob Cumberland (MFRETC), Kate Tomanelli, (MSFA Exec. Director), MSFA 1st VP Mike Faust

Guest: Joan Cumberland, Nancy Cox

Welcome to MFRI UESRTC – Mark Bilger

**Training Chairman Leon Fleming –**

* Welcomed all, called the meeting to order and led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance at 10:00AM.
  + Leon Asked 1st VP Faust to have Phil Hurlock (who recently retired again from MIEMSS) added to the Committee. 1st VP advised he will handle
* **1st VP Mike Faust** –
  + Advised he will not make any committee changes unless requested by the Committee Chairs for next year.
  + He requests the Committees all work with each other and the Exec Director.
* **Exec Dir Kate Tomanelli** –
  + Advised how the new MSFA website will be setup.
  + Will be adding additional personnel for R&R and Strategic Planning
  + Talked about how the new positions will work
  + Discussed the new EMT NR Pilot program. 4 pilots will be held
    - Will use AAOS in place of Brady
    - Will be more hours
    - Queenstown , MFRI HQ, LESRTC, WMRTC
    - Will do better follow-ups of students
    - Will introduce testing at the beginning instead of the end
* **Vice Chair Scott Wood** –
  + Advised he is working with MFCA on several training programs.
  + Lots have registered for MD Weekend.
  + **Scott Wood** is working with **Joe Ward** (MFRI) on putting on several types of classes at the Convention this year.
    - They want more classes available at OC for attending.
  + Questions about getting more recertification classes.
  + Discussed the Simulation Lab and how we can better make all aware of it.
    - Need to talk about at OC to make more aware of it.
* **MFRI Assistant Director (Acting) Steve Cox –**
  + Advised he will be temporary position through Feb and possibly March.
  + Discussed MFCA Chief Officers Seminar in March
  + Fire Service Staff and Command coming up.
  + Discussed Maryland Weekend issues regarding the Gov. Shutdown
    - Further discussion Jan 28 with NFA
    - A contingency plan is in place for 150 to 162 students
    - Turf Valley is on hold until 5:00PM Jan 28
  + **Chairman Leon** asked that the Training Committee needs to be included in these contingency plans and discussions. Steve advised it was an oversite by many and he will include **Scott Wood** in the future.
  + Discussed more information regarding the EMT pilots, will start last week of February.
  + Rick Himes will be program coordinator for all pilots.
  + Losing an average of 424 students a year that don’t pass or complete the MD Cert.
  + MFRI has made 11 changes to try to help students and have 2 more to do
    - This pilot program is #12
    - MFRI can now be a testing site is #13 - 15 seats in regional sites and 30 in Col. Pk.
    - EMS Board and MIEMSS has approved the concept and will go to legislature.
    - What are the deficiencies that have come about because of the past problems?
  + **Charlie Simpson** asked, were Fred. Co. Classes Vol or Career? **Career**
  + **Charlie Simpson** asked, what will be location of testing site in NCRO? **Dir. M. Cox working with the Training Centers**
  + Statistics indicate the Old type testing and New are same as 85%, difference is the number of students testing is much less.
  + Next year convention class schedule from MFRI will be put together by November.
  + **Bob Cumberland** asked Steve to check on getting MIEMSS CE numbers on student transcripts. Will make contact with Steve by email.
  + **Bob McHenry** asked Steve about having remedial reading programs for students. Steve advised MFRI is dealing with this in the pilot EMT programs.
  + **Bob McHenry** discussed issues with pro-board certified or equivalency programs. Steve advised, talk to MFRI Bob Rose.
* **Bob Cumberland –** 
  + Advised of organizational changes in the MFRETC
  + Looking into Statewide Training Plan in place of many individuals.
  + Feb 12 at CCPSTC 10AM their next meeting.
* **High School Programs Dan Stevens** –
  + Advised trouble getting hold of Committee Members
* **Chairman Leon Fleming –** 
  + Will be getting new program lists from MFRI for keeping the 10 Year Plan up-to-date
  + Discussed other committees he has had contact with and how we are working better with the MFCAs regarding classes. He has been in contact with R&R Comm. regarding the R&R training schedule.
  + Advised **Steve Cox** of the great work and relationships the Committee has experienced with **Joe Ward** and **Scott Wood** working on the MSFA Convention.
* **BOB McHenry –** 
  + Discussed R&R upcoming programs
* **Brendon Bonita –** 
  + Asked how to get MFRI to create pilot programs. Send email to Chairman Leon and he will refer to MFRI.
* **1VP Faust –** 
  + Talked about 3rd printing of Lavender Report and other happenings at MSFA
  + Next Executive Committee Meeting Feb. 9 & 10 at United Communities VFD, Queen Anne's County

Next Meeting – May 4, 2019, Saturday 10:00AM, Ellicott City VFD Sta. 2.

Will work on Convention Book Report

Thanks to Mark Bilger and MFRI for their hospitality.

Adjourned: 11:45PM cjs