**MSFA Training Committee Meeting**

**May 4, 2019**

**Ellicott City VFD**

**Present:** Chairman Leon Fleming, Charles Simpson, Scott Wood, Robert McHenry, Bob McHenry, Bob Cumberland (MFRETC), Steve Cox (MFRI), Jeana Panarella, Brendan Bonita

**Training Chairman Leon Fleming –**

* Welcomed all, called the meeting to order and led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance at 10:00AM.
  + Leon advised the cancellation of the Arson Investigation Program for 20/20 Maryland Weekend. Todd Dyche presented 3 alternatives to NFA. Leon advised MEMA has offered to present a program which was accepted by the Committee. ***Motion: to request $500 from MSFA for Maryland Weekend Budget. PASSED***
  + Discussed the Zembower Award. ***Motion: To Approve Presented Nomination, PASSED***
  + Discussed the John E. "Sunny" Rose, Jr., Memorial Award. ***Motion: To Approve Presented Nomination, PASSED***
* **Vice Chair Scott Wood** –
  + **Scott Wood** advised **Joe Ward** (MFRI) on putting on several types of classes at the Convention this year. OC FOOLS are handling “Hot” training.
    - Still appears to be problems with “Hot” classes and Fools not having certified and insured instructors. Chip Jewell is aware and working on.
    - Seminars are being handled by MFRI
  + Questions about the lack of accredited training by FOOLS were discussed. Many concerns with their training being MFRETC approved.
  + ***Motion: The MSFA Training Committee is very concerned that no contact by the OC FOOLS regarding the training they are presenting at OC. We have no information regarding the certification of their instructors. PASSED***
* **MFRI Assistant Director Steve Cox –**
  + Advised information on new Pilot programs being introduced by MFRI and current programs that are coming out of Pilot.
  + Discussed some changes MFRI will be making to how Pilot programs are being presented.
  + Charlie Simpson asked about having PPt for pilots made available on the MFRI instructor Website. Other options were made available and discussed. As electronic sign-in moves forward this should be addressed.
  + Scott Wood discussed the need for Departments to be notified when a student drops a class or fails out during a class. Steve advised it is more a responsibility of the Department during a class and is handled by MFRI at the end of the class.
  + Asst. Dir. Cox advised the current EMT Pilots are progressing and will complete in August.
  + Advised Additional testing centers for NREMT testing have been approved.
  + Bob McHenry questioned about the EMT 12hr didactic on line refresher being more ALS and using text from Jones and Bartlett. Asst. Dir. Cox will look into.
  + Discussed changes in the new MFRI Rules and Regulations Policies.
  + Discussed other changes being review to various programs at MFRI
  + Jeana Panarella – Will forward EMS class instructor concerns regarding MIEMSS requirements for MFRI instructors to the EMS Committee.
* **MSFPQB –**
  + Will meet at the Convention
* **MSFA – Charlie Simpson**
  + Reviewed MSFA Officer changes and April Executive Committee meeting.
  + Convention information on [www.Convention.msfa.org](http://www.Convention.msfa.org) website.
  + Talked about need for Safety and Training Committee to work together with the Trustees on the need for Safety and Injury Preventative training related to incidents the Trustees handle.
  + Discussed the Legislative results from the last session.
* **MEMA –**
  + No Representative
* **MIEMSS –** 
  + No Representative
* **MFRETC – Bob Cumberland** 
  + Looking into Statewide Training Plan in place of many individuals, moving forward.
* **High School Programs**  –
  + July 8th at 10AM Todd Dyche will have a Roundtable discussion.
* **Recruitment and Retention** –
  + No Report
* **Chairman Leon Fleming –** 
  + Advised we have received no information back from MIEMSS regarding Phil Hurlock’s replacement to the Committee
* **MFCA – BOB McHenry**
  + Discussed the lack of information regarding the training class in Carroll County this weekend.
* **Robert McHenery –** 
  + Advised the need to have rehab sectors during training at live burns and Steve advised MFRI is reviewing.
  + Asked Asst. Dir. Cox about MFRI sharing information about sick and injured students. Asst. Dir. Cox advised limited information is shared at instructor meetings.
* **Brendan Bonita –** 
  + Asked how to get MFRI to create pilot programs. Send email to Chairman Leon and he will refer to MFRI.
* **Bob Cumberland –** 
  + Discussed NFPA 1901 need for public comment. Currently yellow and red and should be opposed to change unless signing a waiver.
  + Brendan talked about changing stripes for going in to going out.
  + Bob talked about “TIMS” training on [www.Respondersafety.com](http://www.Respondersafety.com)
    - No mandatory requirements are posted yet.
  + Maryland Safety Vest is now new standard, (2019 High Visibility Apparel Policy attachment with the minutes)

**Old Business**

* None

**New Business**

* Leon will be submitting proposed 2019-20 new committee list to 1st VP Faust.
* Leon passed on to Asst. Director Cox his thanks for all the assistance and support provided to the Committee by Joe Ward, Richard Armstrong and Todd Dyche.

Thanks to Chief Scott Wood and Ellicott City VFD for their hospitality.

**Adjourned:** 12:45PM – **Next Meeting** – July 14, 2019, Sunday 10:00AM, Public Safety Training Facility in Frederick County at 5370 Public Safety Pl, Frederick, MD 21704.

Respectively Submitted,

Charles J. Simpson, Jr.

ATTACHMENT: MDOT 2019 High Visibility Apparel Policy