

COLLIN COUNTY FIRE AND ARSON ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD November 7, 2017

Meeting held at McKinney Fire Department, 2200 Taylor Burk Dr, McKinney, TX

10:00AM

Meeting Minutes were read

Approval of minutes from meeting held October 3, 2017

Motion: Joe Wetzel

Second by: Morrell Blissett

Motion: passed

Reports

- A. President – present**
- B. Vice-President – absent**
- C. Treasurer – absent**
- D. Secretary – present**
- E. Chairs – Training Coordinator present**
- F. Members - present**

- President reported that the Fire Death Course went well with no major problems. 47 students attended. Demo Day was difficult only due to delays, it was suggested to possibly conduct pocket courses during the delay time next year. Pres also spoke about the grad student in attendance that is doing research on pre & post fire effects and others that participated/observed for research purposes.
- Treasurer was absent but reported there is still approximately \$8,000 in the account. Receipts have been submitted for class expenses. \$2,500 was saved by the pod demo.
- Association Members – Various members commented on the Fire Death Class: very informative, impressed by the research going into it, very good experience, lots of compliments were received and class was great

Old Business

Discussion and review of the Fire Death Class continued and a drone video of the recorded pod fires was played during the meeting.

New Business

Electrical Smart Meter Training was scheduled for the next meeting in December. Discussion on developing a committee to control the Fire Death Class Program in the future, which would pair with SHSU. Volunteers for new committee (Kelly Johnson, Joe Wetzel, Morrell Blissett, Steve Seddig). This

committee will work in conjunction with the association and college to keep the course running. Discussion will continue on this committee.

Discussed establishing another committee to form an approved Fire Investigation Academy. This needs to be completed by the next class in Sept. 2018. Possibly combine Academy Students with Class only students, Phase 1 of FI state curriculum would be the Fire/Death Course, Phase 2 will be online, Phase 3 would be held in the Woodlands at a SHSU facility.

Motion was presented to move forward with the committee and gather reference material and necessary resources to get Academy approved.

Motion: Kelly Johnson
Second: Morrell Blissett
Motion : Passed

Training/Recent Fires/Open Floor

Free Upcoming TEEC Class w/ Nationwide Insurance, will be held in April 2018 (original class is postpone till then)

WFD discussed fire w/ fatality in Lucas, flew drone and got good video of fire, fire started on front porch. Serial Arsonist was reported in Brady, TX by State FM Office, also discussed triple death fire in Bosque County, fire possibly set by child.

CCMEO advised that in fires where vic is "expected to die" could be reported to ME Office to start the investigation instead of waiting until vic is deceased.

Adjourn

Motion: Morrell Blissett
Second by: Chris Noll
Time: 11:20AM

11:30-12:30 Presentation on ATF Explosives Detection Canine Program, presented by ATF Agent Randall Dockens, along with a Fire/Death Class Overview, presented by Training Coordinator Kelly Johnson