

SOUTH DAKOTA JOINT COUNCIL OF FIRE SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

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SD Emergency Managers Association

SD Firefighters Association

SD Fire Chiefs Association

SD Chapter of International Association of Arson Investigators

SD Society of Fire Service Instructors Association

SD Emergency Medical Services Association

SD Ambulance Association

Professional Firefighters of South Dakota

Minutes of January 7, 2022, SD Joint Council Meeting Pierre Main Fire Station, 1:00 PM CT

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM CT, at the Pierre Main Fire Station by SD Firefighters Assn.
President Charlie Kludt.
Pledge of allegiance was recited
Moment of silence was observed

Introduction of members and guest in attendance. Please update contact list as needed.

Minutes of September 24, 2021, were emailed. Motion to approve by Gustad, seconded by Baumgarten.
Carried

Treasurer report was presented currently have balance as of November 31, 2021, of \$45.46 in savings and \$3739.47 in checking. Motion by Behlings to accept report, seconded Konechne. Carried.

Items to be added to the agenda. No items were added.

➤ Chair rotation schedule –

- Chair rotation schedule: Professional Firefighters Assn. will chair this meeting. SD Emergency Medical Services Assn. will assume chair at end of the 2022 meeting, and it will be their responsibility to send out notices for a September 2022 meeting and the January 2023 meeting along with the agenda's. The Chair rotation for future info is as follows:
- 2022 - Professional Fire Fighters of South Dakota (Joined October 1997)
- 2023 - South Dakota Emergency Medical Services Assn. (joined 1998 or 1999) The Assn changed their official name at their fall 2013 meeting
- 2024 – SD Firefighter's Association
- 2025 – SD Arson Investigators
- 2026 – SD Fire Instructors Assn.
- 2027 – SD Fire Chiefs Assn.
- 2028 – SD Emergency Managers Assn.
- 2029 – South Dakota Ambulance Assn.

➤ **OLD BUSINESS**

- Recap of 2021 Legislative session – Willard and Konechne short recap of the past session.
- SD Dept of Public Safety –
 - Fire Marshal's office Paul Merriman gave short updates on past session
- Professional Firefighters Assn. participation was discussed

➤ **2022 Legislative Session**

- SB51 has been filed, it provides \$2,000,000 for the purchase of two live fire simulators approximately \$1,000,000, funds for a west river training center live fire training tower approximately \$500,000 to \$800,000, the balance for recruitment. The final details have not been determined.
- HB 1016 – OEM disaster reimbursement funds
- HB 1017 – reimburse State Wildland for wildfire suppression costs for 2021.
- Question was presented if the State is looking at any type of regulations, conditions regarding the growing of cannabis outside of municipalities. There is information available on what needs to be accomplished and will get that info to Willard.
- Cross state line compact – anyone taking the EMT certification will require having fingerprints and background check.
- Mental health – picked up by firefighters
- State Emergency Management
- Homeland Security – application period was opened Jan. 1, 2022.
- Wildland Fire – recap of past session

➤ **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Contract with lobbyist for 2022 session, approved at Sept mtg – Steve Willard
- Member organizations – commitments for 2022 by each organization approved at Sept
- Dues amount for 2022 per organization – shared by organizations
- Legislation for 2022 - proposed
 - Fire Marshal's office
 - Fire Marshal's Advisory Board will meet in February.
 - State Emergency Management – no one present
 - Homeland Security
 - Dept of Ag Wildland Fire – no one present
- Legislation and updates from various organizations
 - Professional Firefighters of SD – no one present
 - SD Fire Chief's – will have March meeting. hoping to have meeting with Instructors and Firefighters Assn.
 - SD Firefighters – meeting this weekend 2022
 - state fire school in Fort Pierre
 - proposal for a statewide "fire administrator"
 - SD Arson Investigators –
 - Working on have regional training conferences
 - Currently have one conference per year
 - Hoping to have a more central location
 - SD Emergency Managers – no one present
 - SD Fire Instructors –
 - Meeting this weekend
 - Will have several positions open for offices
 - SD EMS's –
 - epi pen draw to reduce the overall costs. Epi pens costs are around \$750 each.
 - Critical care paramedics to allow additional fees.
 - EMS to allow them to participate in the SD Retirement system
 - Dispatch employees to participate in the SD Retirement system
 - Lifepack replacement for all ambulance in the state
 - Tele-health for ambulance to hospital with I-pads for pre-arrival info
 - Update the list of controlled substances
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 - SD Ambulance Assn. – nothing at this time

- SD Public Safety Communications Council – timetable upgrading to full P25
 - Phase in of changeover will begin in the 4th quarter of 2022
 - Proposed programming of old & new radios – profile
 - Minimum specs for average radio for 1st responders
- SD Firefighters & EMS Thoughts Monthly Newspaper –
 - All organizations are encouraged to submit articles/stories
- SD Independent Insurance Agents and SD Salutes –
 - They have grants available to first responders
 - The first line of contact is an agencies independent insurance agent
- Other items
- Adjourn meeting – motion by Hines to adjourn at 3:00 PM, seconded by Konechne . Carried

The following are included with this mailing. Copies will NOT be available at the meeting

Attendance sheets – for this meeting

Membership/contact List – updated contacts

Statement of Accounts – Black Hills Federal Credit Union -

Thanks for your help.



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ATTENDANCE AT MEETING

SD Joint Council Meeting

January 7, 2022 @ Pierre Main Fire Station – 1:00 PM

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