VCOS Board Teleconference Thursday, August 7, 2014

Minutes

Called to order: 3:03 p.m. ET

Present: Chief Norvin Collins, Chief Shane Crutcher, Chief Dan Eggleston, Chief Charles

Flynn, Chief Randy Larson, Chief Timothy Wall, Chief Fred Windisch

Absent: Chief Jason Catrambone, Chief Jim Seavey, Chief Mike Vaughn, Chief Jim Wilson

Staff: Ms. Kelly Ameen

FRI Schedule and Logistics - Chief Wall

The VCOS board should have received a document outlining the schedule for FRI. That document also contains hotel confirmation numbers. Make sure your arrival and departure dates are correct. Chief Florentino is arranging transportation to/from the airport and you should hear from him soon. His cell phone number is listed at the end if needed. He is also working on a location for dinner on Thursday night. We need to finalize the dinner count so please RSVP to Chief Florentino. The VCOS board will meet with Dr. Oneial from NFA on Saturday morning for breakfast.

FRI Booth Schedule - Chief Seavey

Chief Seavey put together a schedule for the VCOS exhibiting booth at FRI. He will be sending a revised version over the weekend so keep an eye out.

FRI VCOS Annual Meeting Agenda - Chief Wall

The VCOS board was sent the agenda to review. The agenda will be sent out to friends/sponsors and other meeting attendees tomorrow so please send any changes ASAP. Chief Metcalf will conduct the swearing in of new board members. Attire for the meeting is jacket and tie. We will have a screen and project available.

Chief Flynn requested that the NVFC SAFER grant be added to the agenda. He will provide the update at the meeting.

Shell NASCAR Event – Chief Wall

Shell Pipeline is sponsoring VCOS at a NASCAR event on October 26 in Martinsville, VA. The VCOS logo will be on the trunk lid (which will then be presented to VCOS at the Symposium).

VCOS also gets five VIP "hot" passes to get on the track before the race, meet the driver, and then watch the race from Shell's hospitality suite. Shell pays for all race day expenses, but not travel to the event or hotel. We need to determine the five people that want to go. Ms. Ameen will need to send Shell emergency contact information and photocopies of a driver's license/passport from each person.

We need to decide what to do with the trunk lid once it is presented to VCOS. One idea is to donate it to the National Fire Heritage Museum. Another idea is to use it as an auction item to raise money for NFFF. It can be displayed at the Symposium and we can ask for donations and add names of people who donate to a plaque to go with the trunk lid to the National Fire Heritage Museum. When the VCOS board meets with Shell Pipeline at FRI, we can find out what they think would be best and if there are any restrictions on what can be done with the trunk lid.

RESCUES Stakeholder Group - Chief Wall

VCOS needs to nominate two people to be on the RESCUES stakeholder group. There will be two live meetings and several conference calls between now and January 2015 that the person must attend. All expenses are paid for by RESCUES. Chief Eggleston recommended Chief Scott Lambert who is Albemarle's training chief. Chief Tom Kuntz was also recommended. Those names will be submitted.

Roundtable and Committee/Project Updates

Ameen: Please remember to get ITEMIZED receipts when you travel. Also, the VCOS board is encouraged to get quotes while at FRI for the 20th anniversary publication. Please verify that your hotel room arrival/departure dates are correct for FRI. Note on the VCOS Board schedule that there will be an unveiling of ISFSI's fire dynamics video which VCOS helped to sponsor. This will be right before the VCOS Annual Meeting. Sit towards the back so you can leave at 1:55pm to get to the VCOS meeting. Also note on the schedule that the VCOS Board will have breakfast with Dr. Onieal from NFA on Saturday at 7 am.

Windisch: The ISFSI video will also be shown during the opening session at the Symposium in the Sun.

The call ended at 3:32 p.m. ET.