# VCOS Board Telecon Thursday, January 10, 2013

### **Present:**

Chief Timothy Wall Chief Fred Windisch Chief Mike Vaughn Chief Dave Fulmer Chief Jim Wilson Chief Ted Lowden Chief Jim Seavey

#### Guest:

Mr. Tommy Hicks, Chief Programs Officer & Assistant Executive Director, IAFC National Programs

## Absent:

International Director Shane Ray Chief Fred Crosby Chief Dan Eggleston

#### Staff Absent

Minutes taken by Secretary-Treasurer Chief Fred Windisch

## Approval of Minutes from October 18 and December 13 - Chief Timothy Wall

Motion by Chief Windisch and seconded by Chief Wilson to approve minutes from October 18 and December 13. Motion carried.

Note: To date, minutes have not been received by the board from the November 2012 board meeting.

Introduction of Mr. Tommy Hicks, Chief Programs Officer & Assistant Executive Director, IAFC National Programs – Chief Timothy Wall

• Mr. Hicks delivered a general overview of the IAFC's National Programs.

# Update on February 2013 board meeting - Chief Timothy Wall & State Fire Marshal Shane Ray

• The meeting will be held at the <u>Hampton Inn Columbia (I-26/Harbison Blvd)</u> at 101 Woodcross Drive, Columbia, SC. Telephone: 803-749-6999

## Update on New Agreement with Target Solutions - Chief Dave Fulmer

- Target Solutions presented a proposal Chiefs Fulmer and Wall to create a grant program. This program will provide a discount when members sign up for specific programs.
- Target Solutions has initiated a 50% group purchasing discount to new users.
- Target Solutions will be a 2013 Symposium sponsor.

Action: Chief Fulmer to send out email to the board for action at the upcoming board meeting in case Fulmer cannot attend.

# **Update on VCOS Booth Travel Schedule for 2013 - Chief Jim Seavey**

Chief Seavey reports that the booth travel budget for 2013 is \$6,000.

## Symposium 2013 – Chief Fred Windisch & Chief Jim Wilson

- There is no financial report yet for the 2012 wrap-up.
- Chiefs Windisch & Wilson discussed offering more breakouts for the 2013 preconference; they will schedule a conference call soon to discuss this further.
- Chief John Buckman is working on the 2013 presenters.

# Newsletter on Risk Management – Chief Fred Crosby, Chief Mike Vaughn, Chief Jim Seavey

- Three volunteers are needed to work on this issue.
- Chief Fulmer will coordinate the plan to produce the newsletter.

## Online registration for educational meetings – Chief Timothy Wall

The board discussed using EventBrite for all educational sessions eventually, starting with FROG, BH&H and ISO. It was agreed not to start using it for ISO until after the February and March courses.

Motion by Chief Windisch and seconded by Jim Wilson to use EventBrite for educational meeting registration, starting with FROG, BH&H and ISO.

### Roundtable

Vaughn: Working on the FRI scholarship.

Lowden: Working on Symposium scholarship.

Fulmer: Working on Safe Driving Award.

Eggleston: Working on Recruitment & Retention Award.

Seavey: Working on Buckman award; Wall to confirm.

Wall: Joe Florentino will continue as the Chair of the Elections Committee.

Lowden: Should the VCOS have an offering which discusses school shootings? Put on agenda for February board meeting.

Vaughn: No further input from the Cancer Support Network.

Wilson: Had a FIRESCOPE meeting yesterday; several of them attended the ISO meeting in Sacramento and were very pleased.

Wall: Told the board about the passing of Chief Dan Eggleston's mother.

Motion by Chief Fulmer and seconded by Chief Wilson to donate \$250.00 to the Chesterfield Fire Department Auxiliary. Motion Passed.

Motion by Chief Wilson and seconded by Chief Windisch to provide a \$500 VISA gift card to Chief John Buckman in honor of his retirement as Fire Chief of German Township Volunteer Fire Department.