

District 13 Minutes
June 30, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 7:15 by Chairman Dave Kingsbury. Members attending were Dave Kingsbury, Mari Bottoms, Chris Galiszewski, David Blair, Sam Martin, Chancy Ferguson, Rocky Desimini, Kevin Silvernail, Phil and Judy Whitley.

Minutes were read by Mari Bottoms. Kevin moved and Mari seconded a motion to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Fall Fire School: Chancy reported that the trap club has been reserved. Sam is on for the food with Corinna's help. Chris reported that the website is up for registration. He shared a printed copy of the forms. Once a registration is submitted on the website, David Blair will send an invoice to the firefighter's department. Departments must pay for all who register, even if they end up not attending. David does not have information yet on the possibility of getting a grant from the Randy Carpenter foundation to help with the costs. Chris will be advertising on List Serve now and again later. Dave will put it on the Daily Dispatch. Brothers in Battle already has the class on their schedule. Registration will be first come first serve. District 13 is obligated to pay for 16 participants per day and there is a maximum of 32 per day. Chancy will check on motel rooms for the instructors and port-a-potties. Larry Wooldrige will take care of snacks. Both classes will be held at La Grande Fire.

DPSST: Rocky reported that they were successful in getting an AFG grant to purchase props for training. They are shopping around but have not purchased them yet. There is a job opening in Salem, applications close the first week of July. They are conducting a 6 week FireFighter I Academy from August 1 to September 9. The class is full. They attempted to get the military into an RT 130 so they would be ready to go, but it didn't fit into their training. They are preparing for the next legislative session.

DLO: Kevin reported that all departments maintenance packets have been sent out. WE are encouraged to keep documenting and getting task books signed off. Sam expressed concern that ODF and USFS can't or won't sign off on the task books. Discussion continued and many say that they will sign a task book if the task was performed while they were present. Kevin said that anyone who has already passed off on a skill has the ability to sign off on another's task book. Judy mentioned that Willie Crippen is trying to set up cooperation with small departments for their prescribed burns for training and task books. She asked that they involve Dist. 13.

Proposed Training: District 13 should be sponsoring classes all year, not just Fall Fire School. Chancy expressed concern that the ODF 131/133 class was not announced except at the Fire Defense Board meeting. Perhaps we can get better communications about their classes. WE are still interested in a training officer class for small departments. That could be a class for our group not at the Fall Fire School. The other half of the Brothers In Battle class is Nozzles Forward. If the B n B is successful this fall we should look into bringing Nozzles Forward for next year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.
Next meeting July 28, 2016 in Imbler.

Judy Whitley Pro-tem Secretary

Dave Kingsbury President