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SABINE-NECHES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

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2010 Board of Directors

Stephen L. Curran
President 09-10

John D. Owens
Vice-President 09-10

Terry Basham
Secretary/Treasurer 09-10

Vernon Pierce
Sergeant-at-Arms 09-10

Larry Richard
Fire Director 09-10

Dale Jackson
Fire Director 10-11

Doug Jones
Industry Director 09-10

Tommy Wells
Industry Director 10-11

Tod McDowell
Police Director 09-10

Aleta Cappen
Police Director 10-11

Jeff Kelley
At-Large Director 09-10

Butch Holmes
EMS Director 09-10

Cindy Powers
Health Director 09-10

DECEMBER MINUTES

Quorum is (10) Voting Members at Regular Meeting

NEXT MEETING

The January 5th, 2011, 737th SNCA meeting at 10:00 A.M. will be a Strategic Planning Committee Meeting and held at Rockin A Café in Beaumont.

The 736th Sabine Neches Chiefs Association meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday December 7th, 2010 at The Rockin A Café in Beaumont.

Jeff Bolton gave the invocation.

John Owens led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mike Burney with Acadian Ambulance welcomed the membership and self-introductions were made.

The following SNCA Officers were excused; Tommy Wells, Doug Jones, Tod McDowell, and Aleta Cappen.

READING OF THE MINUTES

President Stephen Curran asked for "Approval" of the previous month's minutes as e-mailed. A motion was made by Larry Richard and seconded by John Avery to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDANCE:

President Curran read a letter from LIT for recognition for all the assistance the SNCA gives LIT (copy below).

November 9, 2010

Sabine Neches Chief's Association
Chief John Owens
PO Box 2257
Nederland, Texas 77627

Dear Chief Owens,

The Lamar Institute of Technology Scholarship Banquet was a wonderful event. Your dedication to LIT was highlighted at the event. We are truly grateful for your support.

This has been a very successful year. We could not have done it without you.

Thank you for all you do for the students of LIT. Have a wonderful day.

Sincerely,



Joanne Brown
Executive Director

President Curran also shared an e-mail from Scott Kerwood thanking the membership for assisting the Hutto Community in winning a \$10,000 Liberty Mutual grant (copy included below).

From: sdkerwood@gmail.com [<mailto:sdkerwood@gmail.com>] **On Behalf Of** Fire Chief Scott D. Kerwood

Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2010 2:10 PM

To: Edward Broussard; douglas.killian@hutto.txed.net; tom@hutto.org; Tom Hines; Scott Martinez; Manager @ MSR; Philip Jankowski; Mahlon Arnett; Harold Thomas; bill.brown@jonahwatersud.com; Glenn Trubee; Judy Gibney; jonfritz@embarqmail.com; Ron Morrison; Joe Cantu; Doug Gaul; Oscar Draguicevich; Alvin Lankford; Bryon Borchers; tom@lafronteramedia.com; centexfire@yahoo.com; Elizabeth Beams; Barbara Aldridge; Fred Windisch; bigwisko; John Kiracofe; scurran

Cc: Maryann buchanan; Holden, Jessica

Subject: We Won!

Good Afternoon All!

Well, you did it. We won \$10,000 thanks to you and all of your work. I have included the press release below. I will be working with the media to make sure we get the information out and

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thank everyone who made this possible. Please tell all of your associates that we are thankful for their hard work on this. Congratulations to the Hutto community for making this happen.
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TEN U.S. FIRE DEPARTMENTS SHARE \$100,000 AWARD FROM LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE

Community Residents Rally to Earn \$10,000 Grants for Their Local Fire Departments by Committing to Fire Safety at www.BeFireSmart.com

BOSTON – November 18, 2010 – According to a recent survey by the National League of Cities, 14 percent of cities across the country cut police and fire-protection budgets in 2009, usually one of the biggest-ticket items for local governments, with many other cities expected to take similar measures through 2012 due to municipal budget shortfalls. For 10 U.S. fire departments, hard-to-find funding has been found: \$10,000 each, thanks to their own community residents who rallied to earn fire safety grants through Liberty Mutual Insurance’s second annual BeFireSmart Safety Pledge Program.

Between early September and October 31, more than 78,000 Americans visited www.BeFireSmart.com and took the online “Burning Questions” quiz, answering ten simple true/false questions about home fire safety to earn a credit for their local fire station.

More than 3,100 local fire departments earned credits, with the following 10 leading their population groups to secure the \$10,000 Liberty Mutual grants:

Large communities (more than 100,000 residents)
Richmond (Va.) Fire and Emergency Services.
Tampa (Fla.) Fire Rescue

Midsized communities
College Park (Md.) Volunteer Fire Department
Hutto (Texas) Fire and Rescue
Midwest City (Okla.) Fire Department
 Mooresville (N.C.) Fire & Rescue
Whitman (Mass.) Fire Rescue & Emergency Services
Wilmington (Mass.) Fire Department

Small communities (less than 10,000 residents)
Merrimac (Mass.) Fire Department
Tittabawassee Township (Mich.) Fire Department

“This program allows residents to embrace their personal and civic responsibility and support the fire service in their own city or town,” said Greg Gordon, senior vice president of Consumer Marketing at Liberty Mutual. “We celebrate their efforts with funding for their local fire departments to use toward public education programs, residential fire alarms, upgraded equipment, or any other needs they might have to ensure the safety of countless families across the U.S.”

About BeFireSmart.com

Parents will find www.BeFireSmart.com to be rich with resources that help them teach their families about fire

safety and to prevent home fires from occurring. The site includes games, instructional videos, interactive fire safety quizzes and a tool to build your own fire escape plan. The fast and fun kids' section also features a downloadable coloring book that tells a story about the importance of never hiding from a firefighter during a fire. The site also offers classroom lesson plans for teachers, and resources for firefighters.

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Scott D. Kerwood, PhD

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TREASURERS REPORT:

The Treasurer's information is compiled by Terry Basham, Sec. /Treasurer with the assistance of Mr. John Avery, PAFD.

Financials as of 12/01/2010.

Checking:	28,207.63
CD:	4,967.86
CD:	5,000.00

Total:	\$38,175.49

The President called for a motion to approve the Treasurers Report. Charlie Kosh made the motion to approve the Financials and Dale Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

The request for membership for Southeast Texas Emergency Medical Services was reviewed by the board. Based on the review by the Board of Directors; the Board recommends that Southeast Texas Emergency Medical Services be approved as a voting member with the classification of Public For-Profit Entity voting member with dues set at \$250.00 per year. A motion was made by Cindy Powers and seconded by Vernon Pierce to accept Southeast Texas Emergency Medical Services as a voting member with the classification of Public For-Profit Entity voting member with dues set at \$250.00 per year. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Proposed Constitutional Changes:

The two proposed amendments that were read to the membership and discussed at the November meeting were brought to the floor for a vote.

Pro-rata first year dues, proposed by Mr. John Avery. New memberships shall be invoiced pro-rata based on the number of months remaining in the Fiscal Year. (Example: If member is approved in June, the member would pay for 7 months).

- Motion was made by Cindy Powers and seconded by Charlie Kosh to change the constitution regarding pro-rata first year dues. Motion carried.

Make modifications to Article V, Meetings to allow members to pay for the three working meeting that are held three times a year.

- Motion was made by Jeff Bolton and seconded by Bryant Champagne to change the constitution regarding members being allowed to pay for working meetings. Motion carried.

2010 ELECTIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President Curran presented the ballot to the floor and asked for nominations. There were no nominations from the floor and Elgin Browning made a motion to accept the slate as presented. The motion was seconded by Will Lyons. Motion carried.

Elections were held for the following positions:

- 1) Secretary/Treasurer
- 2) Sergeant at Arms (Vernon' current position)
- 3) Fire Director Position (Larry Richard's current position)
- 4) Industry Director Position (Doug Jones' current position)
- 5) Police Director Position (Tod McDowell's current position)
- 6) At Large Director (Jeff Kelly's current position)
- 7) EMS Director (Butch Holmes current position)
- 8) Health Director (Cindy Power's current position)

The results of the elections are:

- 1) Secretary/Treasurer -
 - Dale Jackson
- 2) Sergeant at Arms
 - Vernon Pierce
- 3) Fire Director Position
 - Ann Huff
- 4) Industry Director Position
 - Elgin Browning
- 5) Police Director Position
 - Tim Ocnaschek
- 6) At Large Director
 - Theresa Wigley
- 7) EMS Director (
 - Stephanie Garsea
- 8) Health Director

➤ Cindy Powers

President Curran gave all the incoming Board members a big welcome and thanked the outgoing members for their contributions. He also reminded them that their assistance is still needed!

Due to Dale Jackson being elected to the office of secretary/treasurer; his unexpired term as Fire Director was filled per the constitution; Section 8 Vacancies in Office by Larry Richard.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nominating Committee –

There was great participation in this election. The membership was thanked and asked to “keep up the good work”.

Membership Committee – No report

Constitution and By-Laws – No report

Audit Committee – No report

Training and education:

LS MGT315 490 — Enhanced Threat and Risk Assessment

Price	Start Date	End Date	Start Time	Instructor	Location
	3/29/2011	3/30/2011	800	Monroe Manley	Calcasieu Parish 911 Hodges Str Lake Charles, LA 706

Course Description

MGT315 - Enhanced Threat and Risk Assessment - 16.00 Hours

Prerequisites

Completion of MGT-310 Threat and Risk Assessment is strongly recommended but not required.

Description

Contact Information

800-423-8433 or publicsafety@teexmail.tamu.edu

26th Industrial Fire World Emergency Responder Training & Exposition

April 11 - 14, 2011

Renaissance Riverview Plaza Hotel

Mobile, Alabama

Contact kendra@fireworld.com for group rates or questions.

Vincent Dunn coming to Lumberton to do a training class. Dennis Gifford will provide more information.

Please check the SNCA web site for training opportunities.

Also please check <https://www.preparingtexas.org/index.aspx>

Awards Committee – This year’s awards are completed and will be presented at Bosses Night.

Communications – No report

Inventory – Please fill out the “Surveys” that were sent to each member and get them back in.

Bosses Night –TDEM Chief Nim Kidd to be our keynote speaker. Event will be held December 13th.

Programs – Programs are scheduled thru the fall.

Drills/Exercises – No report

Homeland Security – No report

Oil Spill – No report

Overhead Teams – No report.

Strategic Planning – No report

Golf Tournament – No report

Public Relations – No report.

RECENT EMERGENCIES/ ISSUES

Recent emergencies were discussed in the following categories: Industry, Municipal Fire, Law Enforcement, EMS, Homeland Security and Health.

SPECIAL ANOUNCEMENTS - None

PROGRAM

Cindy Powers have a nice presentation on colds and the flu.

PLEASE NOTE THE UP-COMING HOSTS:

Please review the upcoming hosts. Each member is required to host a monthly meeting. Below is the schedule for 2010-2011.

Host Member	Month	Year
SNCA Strategic Planning Meeting	January	2011
Chevron/Phillips Chemical Co. - Orange	February	2011
Pinehurst Fire Department	March	2011
Chevron-UGT Pipeline	April	2011
Colonial Pipeline Company	May	2011

ExxonMobil Chemical P/E	June	2011
Valero	July	2011
Firestone Polymers	August	2011
Cheniere	September	2011
CHRISTUS Hospital - St. Elizabeth	October	2011
Chemtrade Logistics (Peak Sulfur)	November	2011
Bridge City	December	2011

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mike Free and seconded by Bryant Champagne to adjourn the 736th meeting at 11:55 am. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry Basham

Secretary/Treasurer