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2024 Board of Directors

Tim Ocnaschek
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Fire Director 24 - 25

Terry Morton
Fire Director 23 - 24

Tommy Wells
Industry Director 24 - 25

Scott McDonald
Industry Director 23 - 24

Donta Miller
Police Director 24 - 25

Sparky Robinson
Police Director 23 - 24

Joel Ardoin
At-Large Director 23 - 24

Stephanie Garsea
EMS Director 23 - 24

Sharon Whitley
Health Director 23 - 24

Quorum is (10) Voting Members at Regular Meeting

The 892th meeting of the SNCA was held on July 3, 2024 at Courville's. The meeting was hosted by CTEH. President Ocnaschek (BPD) called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM

Matt Dulaney (SNCA Chaplain) led the membership in an invocation. Tommy Shelton (Goodyear) led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Board members not in attendance; Scott McDonald (BASF), Tommy Wells (Energy Transfer), Sparky Robinson (OPD), Joel Ardoin (Orange Co. E.M.), Sharon Whitley (Hardin Co. Hlth. Dept).

Self-introductions were made by those members present.

HOST WELCOME

President Ocnaschek recognized Adison Long with CTEH who was the host for the July meeting.

READING OF THE MINUTES

President Ocnaschek asked for a motion and second to accept the June 2024 Meeting Minutes sent out via email. A motion was made by Larry McBride (Jasper Co. ESD#1) to accept Minutes as read and seconded by Jody Herrera (Jeff. Co. ESD#3), there was no opposition to the motion, motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- President Ocnaschek told the membership of the annual meeting with the Plant Manager’s Forum. Presented at the meeting part was the subject of the fire boat and also the presentation of the Real-Time Crime Center that Beaumont PD is standing up.

TREASURERS REPORT:

President Ocnaschek called on Secretary/Treasurer Chris Gonzales (Jeff. Co. ESD#1) to present the Treasurer’s report to the membership.

Beginning June Balance..... \$64,966.79
 Deposits..... \$ 2,396.10 (PayPal)
 Withdrawals..... \$16,090.00
 Ending June Balance\$48,876.79
 Certificate of Deposit..... \$5,188.16
Combined Ending Balance\$56,461.16

Date	Trans.	Payee	Purpose	Amount
6/4/24	Debit Card	Juxtapose	Monthly web fee	\$90.00
6/7/24	CK. 1688	Electronic Technologies	Annual Database fee	\$1,000.00
6/12/24	CK. 1689	LIT	Golf Scholarships	\$15,000.00

President Ocnaschek then asked if there were any comments or changes regarding the Treasurer’s Report, there were none. President Ocnaschek then asked for a motion and second to accept the Treasurers Report as presented. A motion was made by Stephanie Garsea (AEMS) and seconded by Louie Havens (PAFD), there was no opposition to the motion, motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

- At the June meeting the 1st Reading of membership application from Allegiance Mobile Health was read. Per the Constitution, **Section 4g, Application of Membership**, a vote is now needed by the membership. President Ocnaschek then asked for a motion and second to accept Allegiance Mobile Health in to Association, a motion was made by Ricky Bodin (OCESD#2) and second by Louie Havens (PAPD), there was not opposition to the motion, motion passed.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- None

RECENT EMERGENCIES/ ISSUES:

(It was verified there was no media in the room)

SNCA Activations YTD – 31

Industry: None

Municipal Fire: None

Louie Havens (PAFD) told the membership that recently the City of Pt. Arthur offered complete physicals to the Pt. Arthur firefighters. L. Havens emphasized the importance of these physicals to reveal any conditions early so they can be treated. L. Havens stated the physicals did reveal some conditions of firefighters that would have gone unrecognized/treated possibly leading to further illness and even death.

Law Enforcement: None

EMS: None

Health: Martha Siemen (PA Hlth. Dept) told the membership the importance of staying hydrated during these very hot months.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Matt Dulaney - Chairperson

No Report

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Mark Czerwiec - Chairperson

No Report

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS: Steve Curren - Chairperson

Not Present

WEBSITE: Stephanie Garsea – Chairperson

Chair Garsea continue to make monthly updates; If you have any pictures from incidents, events, etc. from SNCA, please send them to Stephanie Garsea (sgarsea@acadian.com). We are lacking a lot of our history and we need everyone to help put together our story. Also, monthly meeting information is posted for the next month after this month's meeting.

AWARDS: Stephanie Garsea – Chairperson

Awards will be given out at Bosses night in December and we will officially begin taking nominations in August. But if you have someone you would like to nominate now, you can get with Chair Garsea to submit the request.

GOLF TOURNAMENT: Stephanie Garsea – Chairperson

*Now that the 21st event is officially closed, we have begun plans for the 22nd annual scholarship golf tournament. SAVE THE DATE: Friday April 25, 2025...more info to come. BUT if you have any items to donate not if you are doing some summer cleaning, please let me know. I will store them for April.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Stephanie Garsea – Chairperson

*Even though our anniversary event is behind us, we will still have a few things working. Please send any photos from the 75th anniversary event to Stephanie Garsea (sgarsea@acadian.com) so that we can pull together a scrapbook; Also, for the remainder of the year, we will be looking to update our brochures, etc to current information.

MARINE FIREFIGHTING, SALVAGE, AND RECOVERY COMMITTEE: Louie Havens – Chairperson – No Report

COMMUNICATIONS: Eloy Vega – Chairperson

Not present

STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW – Eloy Vega Chairperson

Not present

INVENTORY: Pat Grimes – Chairperson

Inventory

Please review your agency's Dive Team and Communications equipment that's in inventory this month. Scott McDonald is going to review Foam types in the inventory for accuracy. Let Pat Grimes know if you have new items that need to be added.

Database

Get with Pat if you are not receiving text and emails for meeting reminders. This distribution list is used to request resources in the event of an emergency.

Let Pat know if your Primary Member, Alternate Member, or agency name changes so we can keep the data up to date.

SNCA Agency Date Joined Project

The year your agency joined is located on your agency's contact page in the database to the right of your agency's name. The date has been entered at that location since the database was created. For agencies prior to the database, we are reviewing minutes from past meetings to verify the date agencies joined.

In the database if we could not find the exact date joined, the default date is 0000-00-00 or 1969-12-31.

There is a list of member agency date joined in the Latest Notes on the members database for quick reference.

TRAINING & EDUCATION: Jeff Phillips - Chairperson

Chair Phillips provided the following Training and Exercise Committee Report:

- The Planning Section Chief Course went well. There were 20 students from diverse agencies from within our COG and some from outside our area.
- The next course that is scheduled is the Staging Area Manager course, scheduled for July 9-10, 2024, this class has filled up.
- There are still seats available for the T-600 Disaster Finance course that is scheduled for August 20-22 at the Orange County Expo Center.
- The Integrated Preparedness Plan Workshop is scheduled for August 15th at 1 PM at the Beaumont EOC. We will be discussing training for FY 2025 in this meeting. We would appreciate your input.
- The SNCA Industrial Fire School information is available on the SNCA Website.
- The NIMS 300 and 400 have been scheduled for Sept. 23-27 at the Beaumont EOC. Registration is available through Preparingtexas.org.

(see **Training FY2024 SETEX Region** below)

For more training information see [*Preparingtexas.org*](http://Preparingtexas.org)

HOMELAND SECURITY: Jeremy Hansen – Chairperson

BOSSSES NIGHT: David Frenzel - Chairperson
No Report

OIL SPILL: Heather Low - Chairperson
No Report

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM: Tim Ocnaschek - Chairperson
No report

INDUSTRIAL FIRE & SAFETY: Scott McDonald – Chairperson

In the absence of Chair McDonald, Chief Shane Thomas (Motiva) provided the following report:

- The second quarter SNCA Industrial Committee meeting was held at Motiva Port Arthur on June 24th.
- The SNCA Fire School will be conducted at Texas A&M August 19th – 22nd. There are approximately 100 personnel registered to attend the fire training school. The team is making final preparations for the school.
- Industrial teams are evaluating foam transition strategies from PFAS-containing firefighting foam to fluorine-free firefighting foam to align with EPA’s new rule.
- The Industrial group has recommended increasing industry dues in 2025 from \$250 to \$500 annually. A draft of the proposed update to the Constitution and By-Laws will be presented to the SNCA Board of Directors and Membership.

PROGRAM:

Adison Long (CTEH) provided the membership an insight look into CTEH and what the company offers to it customers....good job Adison!

NEXT MEETING: The 893nd meeting will be August 7, 2024, hosted by DRC and will be held at Rockin A Cafe beginning at 10AM.

ADJOURN:

With no further business to discuss President Ocnaschek asked for a motion to adjourn. Jody Herrera (Jeff. Co. ESD#3) made the motion to adjourn and seconded by Ricky Bodin (OCESD#2) There was no opposition to the motion, motion passes. Meeting was adjourned at 10:57AM.

2024 Meetings/Hosts

TENATIVE HOST SCHEDULE FOR 2024

Meeting Host	Meeting Number	Meeting Date	Meeting Location
Port of Beaumont	886	January 3, 2024	Rockin A Cafe
Natgasoline	887	February 7, 2024	Rockin A Cafe
Energy Transfer Spindletop	888	March 6, 2024	Courville's
Valero Pipeline and Logistics	889	April 3, 2024	Rockin A Cafe
Jefferson County Long Term Recovery Group	890	May 1, 2024	Rockin A Cafe
City Ambulance Services	891	June 5, 2024	Rockin A Cafe
CTEH	892	July 3, 2024	Courville's
DRC	893	August 7, 2024	Rockin A Cafe
Golden Triangle Polymers	894	September 4, 2024	Rockin A Cafe
AMPOL	895	October 2, 2024	Rockin A Cafe
Jasper County E.S.D. #1	896	November 6, 2024	Rockin A Cafe
Dooley Tackaberry	897	December 4, 2024	Rockin A Cafe

TENATIVE HOST SCHEDULE FOR 2025

Meeting Host	Meeting Number	Meeting Date	Meeting Location
Port of Port Arthur	898	*January 8, 2025	TBD
Vidor ISD Police Department	899	February 5, 2025	TBD
U S Fire Pumps	900	March 5, 2025	TBD
Dow Chemical Company (Sabine River Ops)	901	April 2, 2025	TBD
Foster Safety	902	May 7, 2025	TBD
Entergy (Sabine Plant)	903	June 4, 2025	TBD
ExxonMobil Pipeline Company LLC.	904	July 2, 2025	TBD
Fluor Federal Petroleum	905	August 6, 2025	TBD

Garner Environmental	906	September 3, 2025	TBD
Jasper County E.S.D. #4	907	October 1, 2025	TBD
Triangle Rescue Services	908	November 5, 2025	TBD
Honeywell	909	December 3, 2025	TBD

TRAINING FY2024 SETEX REGION

FY2024:

CLASS	HOST	DATE	STATUS
Staging Area Manager	TDEM Ford Park	7/9-10/2024	On preparing Texas
AWR 232 Mass Fatality Planning Response for Rural Communities	Jasper EOC	7/23/2024	Register at: https://ruraltraining.org/course/AWR-232/?scheduled=true&id=11278
Integrated Preparedness Plan Workshop 1 PM	Beaumont EOC 700 Orleans, Bmt	8/15/2024	1:00 – 2:30 PM – 2 nd Floor EOC Conference Room
TAMU/SNCA Industrial Group - Fire School	TX A&M Fire School	8/19-22/2024	Registration Link on SNCA Website
T-600 Disaster Finance	Orange County Expo	8/20-22/2024	On PreparingTexas.org
G-300 Intermediate ICS	Beaumont EOC	9/23-25/2024	On PreparingTexas.org G300 09/23/2024 - 09/25/2024
G-400 Advanced ICS for Expanding Incidents	Beaumont EOC	9/26-27/2024	On PreparingTexas.org G400 09/26/2024 - 09/27/2024
PER 211 – Medical Management of CBRNE (16 hrs)	Orange County OEM	1/27-28/2025	Approved and Scheduled https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid/register
Mass Casualty Workshop	TXDPS/?	March 2025	Pending

* **Dates in Red have been scheduled or tentatively scheduled.** Contact Jeff Phillips @ 409-626-4984 or jeffry.phillips@jeffcotx.us if you have questions.