

BURLINGTON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

The October 7, 2010 meeting of the Burlington County Emergency Services Advisory Board was held in the Freeholders Board room and called to order by Chairman Ted Lowden at 900 hours.

The following Board members were present, Chairman Ted Lowden, John Collins, Phil Drangula, Don Horner, and George Jackson. From the Department of Public Safety Services were Director Rick Dreby, Fire Marshal Mike Reed, and Assistant Fire Marshal Dave Gsell. Also in attendance was C. Kenneth Anderson (BCC Fire Science program).

At the conclusion of the reading of the previous meetings minutes, Phil Drangula made a motion, seconded by Don Horner to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Science

The report submitted by C. Kenneth Anderson was accepted and made part of the minutes.

Training Center

Dave Gsell reported that the 'B' burn building and new air system installations are complete and are working with the vendor on contract in regards to the flash over simulator. Enrollment has been a bit sluggish the last two semesters and that there was an injury back in the spring on the grounds. All injuries must be reported to Loss risk Department. The catalog is now on the web site and probably next semester a copy will be mailed to station. It was also mentioned that the LTAA information had been sent out. Phil Drangula had a question to Dave about how the other academies were doing that led to a short discussion on the possible problems.

Public Safety Director

Mr. Dreby reported that Warren Grove site should be complete around the second week of October. The issues with the rip & run have been resolved and all was working well and the fastest way to receive things is G-mail. A radio consultant has been hired (CCMS out of Colts Neck) and have already had two meetings on 700 series and digital television problems. There is also a multi County work group meeting to deal with the same issues federally. At this time all but two municipalities are on Central dispatch which are Medford and Bordentown of which may be on by the end of the year. Chairman Lowden asked about the alpha paging. Director Dreby said that is on the back burner pending the radio system issues (700 meg) and possible funding from feds, and state. The Chairman offered the full support of the ESAB in any way they could.

Old Business

None

New Business

The notices for the LTAA are out there.

Good of the Order

John Collins took a minute to say how appreciative he was in working with the ESAB as a member representing the Fire Police Association.

The next meeting of the ESAB will be on December 2, 2010 at 1900 hours in the Freeholders Board Room. There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 2000 hours.

Respectfully Submitted



Michael J. Reed
Fire Marshal

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Report on Fire Science Technology Degree Program

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There have been no significant developments relating to the Fire Science Technology program since the last report.

A student is in the Coop program to earn elective credits. Although this has previously been discussed with students, it is the first time this alternative has actually been used.

There have been a number of e-mails, phone calls, and meetings with students and prospective students relating to the program itself and transferring credit from other programs and institutions.

C. Kenneth Anderson

Program Coordinator