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Meeting summary for April 18, 2019

Attendees: Larry Simms, Tony Rohrwasser, Dan Ryan, Warren Merritt, Brad Van Ert, Bill Steele, Heath Sheppard, Mike Mather, Pat Riley, Dan Currie, Steve Isaacson, Baptise Girardeau (KCFR Intern – University of Bordeaux, France) Dan Holden (Avista), Mike Williams (LA County - retired), Greg Wetzell, Commissioner Rudabaugh (Timberlake/ID Fire Commissioners) and Brandon Hermenet.

Meeting called to Order to Ch. Merritt at approximately 1005 hours at the KCFR Training Center.

Treasurer's report was reviewed by Ch. Simms.

Motion by Ch. Bill Steele and Second Ch. Van Ert to accept Treasurer's report as presented. Motion passed.

Membership Committee: Nothing new to report

By-Laws: Nothing to report, no pending items.

Legislative Report: Ch. Riley reported re: SB 1028 (PTSi) passed. Great cooperation with the ID Fire Chiefs, Commissioners and AIC. Commissioner Rudabaugh was in attendance and wanted to clarify that the Commissioners 'were neutral' and not opposed as some may have heard. The Commissioners wanted an educational component included which can be addressed next cycle.

Impact Fees: Commissioner Rudabaugh will reach out to Anne Westscott and we are going to attempt to bring an information session to the KCFR training center in the next 30 to 45 days. More to come and this is pulled together.

Communications: Nothing to report.

Old Business: No Old Business to discuss

New Business: A recap of NIESA was provided, November 3, 2019 established for the Fall FODA and Dan Holden shared some information re: NG emergencies. Avista would like to be called on all structure fires. Avista will work on a letter to be transmitted to all the fire departments or thru the NIFC's distribution list.

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CISM: Ch. Riley is going to investigate the efficacy of the CISM team as currently established. With Peer Support gaining traction, he will do a test request for the team, see what happens, and report back. We are carrying about \$400 (+) in our account for the team and it appears to be dysfunctional.

June 2019 training topic: A class on the Kootenai County Model Procedures for Joint Area Wildland Task Force and Strike Teams will be given. This will inform agencies on the resources available from Kootenai County upon request.

Good of the Order:

Idaho Fire Chiefs: 50th Annual Conference is scheduled for May 2-5, 2019 in Coeur d'Alene. Lots of great classes and there are scholarships available. Please visit <http://idahofirechiefs.org/Registration> for details.

Meeting was adjourned at 1135 hours by Ch. Merritt

Next meeting is on June 20, 2019 at East Side Fire District at 1000 hours. The Training Officers committee will meet at 0900 hours.

Meeting Summary submitted by Warren Merritt