

**SOLANO COUNTY FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION**  
**P.O. Box 409**  
**FAIRFIELD, CA 94533**  
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**Minutes of the Delegates' Meeting**  
**January 13, 2010**

**Call to Order**

The Delegates' meeting was called to order at 19:15 hours.

**Roll Call**

The following chapters' Delegates were present: Montezuma, Suisun City, Suisun District and Vacaville District.

Howard Wood moved that the following nine members from 2009 be moved to the 2010 year; Frank Cereda, Freddie Abruzzini, Michael Young, Hank Seguin, Laura Wood, Howard Wood, Bill Petersen, Dan Schindler and Carmen Maio. The motion was seconded by Bill Petersen and unanimously carried.

Dan Schindler nominated that Linda Messenger be added to the 2010 year. The motion was seconded by Hank Seguin and unanimously carried.

The following were nominated for Directors:

Frank Cereda – Suisun Fire Protection District  
Freddie Abruzzini – Suisun Fire Protection District  
Michael Young – Suisun Fire Protection District  
Hank Seguin – Suisun City Fire Department  
Laura Wood – Vacaville Fire Protection District  
Howard Wood – Vacaville Fire Protection District  
Bill Petersen – Montezuma Fire Protection District  
Dan Schindler – Montezuma Fire Protection District  
Carmen Maio – Suisun City Fire Department  
Linda Messenger – Montezuma Fire Protection District

Hank Seguin then made a motion that the nominations be closed. The motion was seconded by Dan Schindler and unanimously carried.

**Adjournment**

The Delegates' meeting was adjourned at 19:19 hours

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**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 19:30 hours by President Cereda.

**Roll Call**

The following chapters were present: Montezuma 6, Suisun City 1, Suisun District 4, and Vacaville District 2.

**Election of Officers**

Howard Wood made a motion to move up the current officers one position, treasurer and secretary to remain as is. The motion was seconded by Dan Schindler and unanimously carried.

Dan Schindler moved that Linda Messenger be the Sergeant-at-Arms. The motion was seconded by Howard Wood and unanimously carried.

President Cereda then read the List of Officers for 2010:

President Freddie Abruzzini  
1st Vice President Michael Young  
2nd Vice President Howard Wood  
Sergeant-at-Arms Linda Messenger  
Treasurer Hank Seguin

Secretary Laura Wood  
Director Bill Petersen  
Director Dan Schindler  
Director Carmen Maio  
Director Frank Cereda

**Approval of Agenda**

Secretary Wood apologized and said that she forgot to bring the agendas to the meeting.

**Approval of Minutes**

Hank Seguin made a motion to approve the minutes as mailed. The motion was seconded by Bill Petersen and unanimously carried.

### **Communications**

Director Wood advised that the Association has received two email requests from the website; (1) Community Action Partnership of Solano (CAP Solano), a county-wide nonprofit, is partnering with the United Way of the Bay Area to increase volunteerism in Solano County to create a volunteer center website that will be linked to the already existing Volunteer Center of the East Bay to link potential volunteers to volunteer opportunities with nonprofits in Solano and they are asking if we would like to join. After some discussion, consensus was that all fire departments and fire districts do their own recruitment for firefighters. President Cereda directed Secretary Wood to reply to the email and advise that our Association is not interested; 2) River Delta wanted to know how they could join the Association. Howard Wood said that River Delta was once a part of the Iselton chapter that included the city and district. Howard Wood said that now Iselton District is River Delta. President Cereda said that currently Iselton is still part of SCFA and the district should also be included; they just need to pay to join and then they must follow the renewal process. Dan Schindler said that he will personally talk to Assistant Chief Rosewell and advised him of what the process is for their district to join the SCFA.

### **Committee Reports**

None

### **Treasurer's Report**

Hank Seguin apologized and said that he does not have a treasurer's report this month.

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

Dan Schindler asked who the person who works on the website is. Howard Wood said that a Vacaville District member is the person who works on the website. Dan Schindler asked if the website could be updated since Rio Vista is still showing the old patch. Secretary Wood said that she is in the process of working with the member to update the website.

### **Good of the Order**

*Quarterly Dinner – Friday, January 15, 2010* – Frank Cereda said that they are ready for the dinner: Suisun Fire Protection District, Station 33; Cocktails 6 p.m., dinner at 7:30 p.m. Freddie Abruzzini informed that the flyer had been sent to all departments/districts.

## **Adjournment**

Bill Petersen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Freddie Abruzzini, and unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 19:45 hours

### **JANUARY 2010 QUARTERLY DINNER MEETING**

The Dinner Meeting was held on Friday, January 15, 2010 at the Suisun Fire Protection District, Station 33. The dinner was attended by approximately 100 people.

Everyone enjoyed the delicious steak dinner with all the trimmings. The following chapters were represented: Benicia Volunteers, CALFire, Cordelia, Fairfield, Gordon Valley, Iselton, Montezuma, Rio Vista, River Delta, Suisun City, Suisun District, Vacaville City and Vacaville District.

The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance and the benediction was conducted by Warren Sheldon. The New Officers for 2010 were sworn in by Gil Richardson.

President Frank Cereda presented the Life Time Membership Awards to the following for their dedication to the Fire Service:

1. Rick Keune - Vacaville Fire Protection District
2. Mike Ramos - Vacaville Fire Protection District
3. Michael Whited - Suisun City Fire Department

There was no Dave McCready Award presented this year.

The new President Freddie Abruzzini of Suisun District presented the out-going President Frank Cereda of Suisun District, the Life Time Membership Award for his dedication to the Fire Service. He also presented Frank with a plaque and pin for his outstanding service for 2009.

The door prizes began and Chief Ron Glantz kept it moving along. Which chapter would be the winner of the door prizes? Too many winners and not sure who won, but the name badge winner was Tom Myers.

Fire Chief Ron Glantz thanked everyone who attended the dinner and enjoyed the comradery of the evening!!

So, mark your calendars and attend the next quarterly –  
**Friday, April 16, 2010 - Location to be Announced**  
This will be the Joint Yolo/Solano Dinner.

### **NEXT MEETING:**

**7:30 p.m. - Wednesday, February 10, 2010**  
Suisun Fire Protection District, 445 Jackson Street, Fairfield