

Governor's Council on Fire Prevention & Control

Meeting held at Camp Ripley Education Center

July 27, 2011

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Meeting called to order by Vice Chair Mark Kulda at 9:06am.

Mark provided a welcome to everyone and explained that Tom Brace is absent due to a death in the family.

Vice Chair Report – Discussed the state government shutdown and the impact on the council member state agencies, discussed the adopted state budget and the status of the Fire Safety Account budget appropriation, discussed other special revenue accounts that are historically raided by the Legislature and transferred to the General Fund, discussed the employee issues surrounding the perceived definitions of critical and essential employees.

Secretary Report – Anyone not yet receiving their appointment letter should contact Jerry, 2 organizations are not “excused” from today’s meeting, we may take a picture of the members here today to show how much fun we had.

State Fair Planning – Terrie attended last meeting, plans are on-going, Terrie registered all primary members for attendance, an exhibit was added late in planning for the Hennepin County Sheriff.

Firefighter death investigations – discussed the concept, pro’s and con’s, will pursue and discuss again next meeting.

Association Reports given.

Discussed the possible membership of the MN Board of Firefighter Training & Education on the council. A letter will be forthcoming and we will discuss further next meeting.

Discussed the fund raising project for the MN Fire Service Foundation to build a memorial on the Capitol grounds. We will invite George Esbensen to the next meeting to do a presentation.

Discussed the “need” for Fire Protection Engineers in a more sophisticated fire/building code world.

Next meeting on September 28, 2011 at the Eagan FD (new) headquarters building.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Rosendahl