# September 14, 2023

Hosted by: Rancho Cucamonga Fire District

Location: 11285 Jersey Blvd

### Call to Order and Introductions:

* + **Call to order:** Gina Molina called the meeting to order at 9:02am
  + **Flag salute:** Gabby Arreguin led the flag salute.
  + **Welcome:** Operations Chief Barreda – Welcomed the group and thanked them for all they do.
  + **Self-Introductions/First Time Attendees:** 
    - First time attendees:
      * Kemi Makinde, City of Ontario Fire Department
      * Margie Fletcher, City of Ontario Fire Department
      * Mallory McPherson, Victorville Fire Department
      * Amy Hsu , Sierra Madre Fire Department
      * Rosa Lamas, City of Ontario Fire Department
      * Lupe Saldivar, City of Ontario Fire Department
      * Yahaira Ramirez, City of Ontario Fire Department
      * Jenna Sercu City of El Segundo Fire Department
      * Amanda Romano, Montclair Fire Department
      * Nancy Jennings Montclair Fire Department
    - New members:
      * Amy Hsu , City of Sierra Madre

### President’s Report:

Gina Molina:

* + The E-Board met and discussed the strategic plan, the current budget, and set a tentative date for the E-Board retreat.

### Consent Calendar:

* + **Meeting Minutes:**
    - Approval of June 22, 2023, meeting minutes. Motion to approve the minutes by Heather Todd, seconded by Bruni Reyes. Unanimous, motion carried.
  + **Treasurers Report:** Sent out without much notice prior to today’s meeting.
    - Approval of April 1, 2023 - June 30, 2023, treasurer’s report(s). Motion to approve the agenda by Heather Todd, seconded by Bruni Reyes. Unanimous, motion carried.

### Reports:

* + **Section Chief’s Report:** Liaison Chief Don Butz, Lakeside Fire Department
    - President, Gina Molina will be meeting with Chief Butz and will share any information with the section.
  + **Correspondence Report:** Christy Hedden
    - Services for Ron Liechti
    - 6 nominations submitted and selection made, Carrie awarded contribution.

* + **Committee Reports:**
    - Bylaws Committee: Darilyn O’Dell
    - SOG’s will be ready for the next E-Board meeting to review. Bylaws are on hold until changes from Cal Chief’s are completed.
    - Historical Committee: Debbie Pinhero & Jennifer Davis
    - Nothing to report.
    - Website/Communications Committee: Christy Heddon & Maria Cabral
    - Traffic is picking up, reach out to Christy if you would like anything posted.
    - Education and Training Committee: Bruni Reyes
    - Overview of speakers for December’s meeting.
    - Membership Committee: Kris Edwards & Krista D’Agostino
    - Currently have 104 members.
    - Ways and Means Committee: Jennifer Brown & Mindy Alvarez
    - Jennifer will be sending out a survey to get input on shirts, etc.
    - Conference Committee: Michelle Pearson
    - Location scouting and planning has begun.
    - Legislative
    - Nothing to report.

### Presentation/Educational Program:

Canva – Graphic Design by Janae Tyars

### Business:

* + **New Business**
    - Charitable Contribution Award
      * Awarded to Carrie, nominated by Michelle Pearson.
    - CalChiefs Structure Changes
    - Overview of calchiefs changes, alignment of bylaws not to conflict with CFCA bylaws, section officers will be sworn in at the CFCA annual conference, dues payments would occur at the same time each year, section would have 50 minutes allocated during educational portion of the CFCA annual conference, each section will designate one spokesperson to interface with the CFCA including any sub-section, president orientation would occur at pre-conference day at the CFCA annual conference beginning 2024, CFCA will collect dues for each section returning dues to those sections that maintain separate tax identification status, sections to link their website or maintain a page at their own expense to the CFCA website.
    - Ron Liechti Award
    - Deborah Baird read the nomination that the North & South will submit to the Cal Chiefs.
    - Consistent Meeting Dates
      * Set day of the month, for example the third Thursday of each month or leave as a flexible date. Send fan out letting people know where to find the meeting calendar. Date will be set at the December meeting each year for the next calendar year.

### Good of the Order:

* + Melissa Flores- if anyone does cost recovery please share.
  + LA County – Canva PowerPoints, DEI Diversity equity and inclusion office, chat gpt, perks can use with other stuff we had training on today.
  + Paula and Maria – recruiting for fire chief.
  + Vanessa and Jenna – El Segundo interim chief, currently recruiting for chief.
  + Victorville has an interim chief, currently recruiting for chief.
  + Jennifer – Public Safety open house in October La Verne Fire
  + Valerie – Riverside County fire enjoyed training will benefit personally and professionally, interim Fire Marshall hiring nationwide.
  + Ontario Fire – opening temp fire station 11, Ontario growly exponentially, had 1st academy ever, 21 graduates promoted to Firefighters.
  + Amy – New to fire services and city employment, enjoyed training, looking forward to networking. Sierra Madre, currently recruiting.

### Adjournment

With no additional business to discuss, the meeting adjourned by President Molina at 1:53.

Next Meeting: December 14, 2023, Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District

Minutes prepared by: Melissa Flores, AFSS Southern Division Recording Secretary

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| **July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024** | | | |
| **Executive Board and Committees – Southern Division** | | | |
| **Position** | **Name** |  | **Comments** |
| President | Gina Molina |  |  |
| First Vice President | Deborah Baird |  |  |
| Second Vice President | Sarah Montagne |  |  |
| Recording Secretary | Melissa Flores |  |  |
| Corresponding Secretary | Christy Hedden |  |  |
| Treasurer | Debbie Lloyd |  |  |
| CalChiefs’ Liaison | Don Butz |  |  |
| Member at Large | Ruth Slusher |  |  |
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| **Committee** | **Executive Board Liaison** | **Coordinator** | **Members** |
| Bylaws/Guidelines | Melissa Flores | Christine Flores, Darilyn O’Dell |  |
| Communications/  Website | Cristy Hedden | Maria Cabral | Website Updates – Maria Cabral  Social Media – Christy Hedden |
| 2023 Conference | Gina Molina, Debbie Lloyd | Michelle Pearson | Francine Gutierrez, Amy Van Atta, Monica Rojas, Darilyn O’Dell, Sarah Montagne, Ruth Slusher, Deborah Baird |
| Education | Deborah Baird | Bruni Reyes |  |
| Historical | Melissa Flores | Debbie Pinhero |  |
| Membership | Sarah Montagne | Kris Edwards, Krista D’Agostino  D’Agostino |  |
| Ways & Means | Debbie Lloyd | Jennifer Brown & Mindy Alvarez |  |

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| **Members in Attendance** | | | |
| **First name** | **Last name** | **Organization** | **In Attendance** |
| Vanessa | Arias | City of El Segundo | Yes |
| Gabriella | Arreguin | Rancho Cucamonga Fire | Yes |
| Terri | Aylward | Murrieta Fire & Rescue | Yes |
| Deborah | Baird | Carlsbad Fire Department | Yes |
| Stephanie | Balzano | Rancho Cucamonga Fire | Yes |
| Andrea | Brooks | Orange City Fire Department | Yes |
| Jennifer | Brown | La Verne Fire Department | Yes |
| Maria | Cabral | Santa Monica Fire Department | Yes |
| Paula | Cardiel | Santa Monica Fire Department | Yes |
| Rachel | Cortez | Rancho Cucamonga Fire | Yes |
| Dana | Finocchiaro | SPARKS FIRE DEPARTMENT | Yes |
| Margie | Fletcher | City of Ontario - EMS | Yes |
| Christine | Flores | RCFD Retired | Yes |
| Melissa | Flores | City of Encinitas Fire & Marine Safety | Yes |
| Christy M | Hedden | City of Downey Fire Department | Yes |
| Maia | Hodge | City of Vista Fire Department | Yes |
| Amy | Hsu | City of Sierra Madre | Yes |
| Nancy | Jennings | Montclair Fire Department | Yes |
| Rosa | Lamas | City of Ontario - Administrative Services | Yes |
| Chrystal | Lane | City of Victorville | Yes |
| Debbie | Lloyd | Rincon Fire Department | Yes |
| Amy | Lozano | Los Angeles County Fire Department | Yes |
| Kemi | Makinde | City of Ontario - EMS | Yes |
| Mallory | McPherson | Victorville Fire Department | Yes |
| Gina | Molina | Rancho Cucamonga Fire | Yes |
| Darilyn | O'Dell | San Miguel Fire - Retired | Yes |
| Sandra | Ortiz | Chino Valley Fire District | Yes |
| Michelle | Pearson | CAL FIRE/Pismo Beach Fire Department | Yes |
| Yahaira | Ramirez | City of Ontario | Yes |
| Bruni | Reyes | Redlands Fire Department | Yes |
| Donna | Rohrer | Chino Valley Fire District | Yes |
| Nubia | Roman | Ontario Fire Department | Yes |
| Amanda | Romano | Montclair Fire Department | Yes |
| Zelda | Ross | Downey Fire Department | Yes |
| Guadalupe | Saldivar | City of Ontario - Fire Dept. | Yes |
| Jenna | Sercu | City of El Segundo Fire Department | Yes |
| Ruth | Slusher | SFSFR | Yes |
| Valerie | Speirs | Office of the Fire Marshal Riverside County | Yes |
| Heather | Todd | San Marcos Fire Department | Yes |
| Stefanie | Trompeter Rolon | Lakeside Fire Protection District | Yes |