



# Pima County Fire Chief's Association



**Meeting Date/ Location:** July 26, 2016 – 1330 hours  
TFD Fire Central, Room 266  
300 S. Fire Central Place, Tucson, AZ

**Call to Order / Establishment of Quorum** - Chief Brandt

**Approval of Minutes** (May, 2016) – Chief Wunder

**Treasurer's Report-** Chief Kahle

- Discussion and possible action on termination of membership for Sonoita-Elgin Fire District, and South Tucson Fire Department.

**Presentations-** None

**Standing Committee Reports**

1. Training (Chris Ader)
2. Southern Arizona Safety Officers (Captain Gulotta)

**Other Reports- As needed (includes but not limited to)**

- EMS (Chief Crouse)
- Fire Marshals (Marshal Loesche)
- Legislative / AFDA
- Office of Emergency Management (J. Guthrie)
- Arizona Fire Chiefs (Chief Abel)
- Wildland Response Zones (Chief Karrer)
- Statewide Mutual Aid (Chiefs Lane/Crouse)
- Greater Tucson Fire Foundation (M. McKendrick)

**Old Business**

**New Business**

- Discussion on Regional Special Operations Team
- Veterans and First Responder Memorial Oro Valley

**Chief Reports**

**Adjournment**

**Next Scheduled Meeting:** Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at 1330 hours  
TFD Fire Central, 300 S. Fire Central Place



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## Meeting Notes

May 31, 2016

Tucson Fire Department - Fire Central,  
300 S. Fire Central Place, Tucson, AZ

### Call to Order

Chief Karrer called the meeting to order at 1332 hours.

### Active Members

Arivaca Volunteer Fire Department	Not Present
<b>Ava Valley Fire District</b>	B. Delfs
<b>Corona De Tucson Fire District</b>	S. Davis
<b>Davis Monthan Air Force Fire Department</b>	T. Canale
<b>Drexel Heights Fire District</b>	D. Chappell, D. Crouse
<b>Golder Ranch Fire District</b>	R. Karrer, T. Brandhuber
<b>Green Valley Fire District</b>	J. Kosiorowski
Helmet Peak Volunteer Fire Department	Not Present
<b>Mt. Lemmon Fire District</b>	R. Ogden, J. Gunia
<b>Mountain Vista Fire District</b>	T. Rutherford
<b>Northwest Fire District</b>	B. Bradley
<b>Pascua Pueblo Fire Department</b>	A. Matus
Picture Rocks Fire District	Not Present
Raytheon Fire Department	Not Present
<b>Rincon Valley Fire District</b>	J. Kahle
South Tucson Fire Department	Not Present
Sonoita – Elgin Fire District	Not Present
Three Points Fire District	Not Present
Tohono O'odham Fire Department	Not Present
<b>Tucson Fire Department</b>	M. Garcia, C. Anderson

### Associate Members

Arizona ANG Fire Department	Not Present
Rural Metro Fire Department	J. McMahan, H. Evans, G. Roberts
US Forest Service - Coronado	Not Present
Pima County – OEM & HS	C. Bear

### Guests

Greater Tucson Fire Foundation	M. McKendrick
National Weather Service	C. Cerniglia
AZ DEMA	A. Cox, L. Bechtel
AFDA/ Rio Rico	L. Caid
AZ Life-Net	E. Bejarano
Pima Community College	S. Clark
Santa Cruz County OEM	F. Granados

## **Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve the minutes of March 29, 2016 made by D. Chappell, Drexel Heights. Second by J. Kahle, Rincon Valley. No objections.  
Motion approved.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Chief Kahle submitted a written report, which was distributed to the membership. There were no questions or comments.

## **Presentations:**

Chief Caid and Chief Karrer introduced Anthony Cox and Leslee Bechtel from AZ DEMA. Mr. Cox is dedicated to building the necessary relationships and collaborating with all fire departments statewide to ensure that the mutual aid plan is workable.

## **Standing Committee Reports**

1. Training- Captain G. Roberts reported on behalf of the committee and announced that PITC is undergoing a rebranding. Their goal is remarketing the group to ensure the committee is meeting the needs of the area departments. They will revisit the mission and vision statement. Additionally, a new website and Facebook page are in development. Chris Ader, Three Points, and Garrett Roberts, Rural Metro, are the Co-Chairs.
2. Southern Arizona Safety Officers- No Report.

## **Other Reports**

- EMS- Written report provided. No questions.
  - i. Treat and Refer, Chief Caid, AFDA.
    1. A draft document is available from Chief Caid. The draft was approved by the AZ DHS EMS Council on the 19<sup>th</sup> of May. If this program is successful, departments might be able to recover some of the costs associated with treat and referred patients. See the document for further information.
- Fire Marshals- No Meeting was held.

- Legislative Update- Chief Caid, AFDA, during this legislative session AFDA, AFCA and the PFFA were very successful with their joint endeavors. Prop 124 and SB1244 were important to the future success of fire districts statewide. AFDA's summer conference will be held jointly with AFCA in Glendale in mid-July. The technology and equipment demo should be the largest in the southwest with over 200 exhibitors.
- Office of Emergency Management Update- Courtney Bear updated the group on the following topics:
  - i. RAC funding for training was approved at just over \$115,000
  - ii. Everbridge, mass notification system, is in the final stages before rollout. All department chiefs should be on the lookout for a notification email regarding access to the system.
  - iii. Pima County's 5-year Hazard Mitigation Plan review is underway. Please be on the lookout as cities and towns might be reaching out for assistance.
  - iv. 2016 ERG are available via PC OEM. Please call 724-9300 to arrange pick up.
- Arizona Fire Chiefs Update- Written report provided. No questions.
- Wildland Response Zones – No new information.
- Statewide Mutual Aid- Chief Karrer reported that a committee meeting is being schedule.
- Greater Tucson Fire Foundation- Report filed. Chief McKendrick thanked everyone for the support and turnout for the Motorcycle Poker Ride. A wrap up meeting is schedule in the days ahead. Chief McKendrick encourage all departments to remind all their staff that Mental Health Assistance is readily available by calling 795-0300 ext 2363 and saying "fire service". He says firefighter still don't know people are there to help.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

- Discussion on Regional Haz Mat – Chief Brandt, absent. Courtney Bear from PC OEM stated that she was not comfortable speaking on behalf of Chief Brandt, but that with the

retirement of Fred Leahy from the City of Tucson the Regional Haz Mat team is lacking a clear leader. It was recommended that the seven agencies that are part of the IGA call a meeting to discuss the concerns. Chief Karrer advised that he would make contact with those agencies and convene a meeting.

- Discussion and Possible Action on Decon Assist Protocol Meeting – Chief Garcia.  
Chief Garcia reminded the group that many years ago MMRS assigned a Decon Assist Team (DAT) from area departments to respond to hospital to assist in the case of an event. Since that time multiple hospitals have changed hands and multiple staff have turned over so a refresher is needed. June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 10am at TFD Fire Central a meeting will be conducted with fire department staff and local hospital representatives to reestablish what a DAT is and isn't. Chief Anderson encouraged all area departments to attend the meeting and to take a look at the draft DAT assignment to ensure each department is still willing and able to assist if called.
- Election of Officers including Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer – Chief Brandt.  
A discussion occurred questioning if it truly was time for a re-election. Chief Chappell indicated that last year's election occurred late, but per by-laws elections were due now. Motion Chief Bradley to retain all incumbents for one additional year. Second Chief McMahon. Motion passed unanimously.

## Chief Reports

S. Davis – Corona De Tucson thanked DM for assistance with firefighter training on base.

D. Chappell – Thanked everyone for the assistance and support with the unexpected passing of Captain John McCaffrey.

C. Bear – Next LEPC Meeting is July 13<sup>th</sup>. More fire department representatives could be used on the committee.

B Bradley – NW budget is wrapping up. Looking to hire more firefighters this year and looking to bond for one station relocation, three new stations and a new administrative building in November 2016.

M. Garcia – TFD in final interview process for a July academy and a strong potential for an additional academy in Jan/Feb 2017.

T. Canale – Fire School registration is open now. Hotel reservations available again at the discounted rate of \$34/night. NFFF event is this weekend enrollment is low. Please encourage sign ups ASAP.

C. Cerniglia – Weather Service has issued an Excessive Heat Watch for this weekend. It is going to get HOT FAST expect 105+ this weekend.

D. Crouse – Special thanks to Chief Abel, Captain Thomas and Andy Smith and all AZ LAST member for their assist with Captain John McCaffrey funeral arrangements. They made a tough time a lot easier and are top notch.

S. Clark – PCC is now issuing NFA certificates, when appropriate, upon completion of a PCC Fire Science class. EMT certificate is now required by the withdrawal date of the fire academy as opposed to the start date of the PCC academy. 22 candidate graduated the PCC academy this past semester. Fall Fire Academy and CEP class are scheduled. Chief Clark also wants to remind everyone that PCC will conduct a degree check for any firefighter to see where they sit – many are closer than they thought.

L. Caid – Please continue to call in chemical spills to the NRC. It takes five minutes to report and makes a difference in the amount of funding the state receives.

### **Adjournment**

Chief Karrer adjourned the meeting at 1436 hours.

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**Submitted by:** *Chief Chuck Wunder*, Green Valley, Secretary

**Pima County Fire Chief's Association**  
**Profit & Loss by Class**  
July 2015 through June 2016

	<u>NFFF</u>	<u>PCFCA</u>	<u>PITC</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	2,032.23	4,470.87	9,747.57	16,250.67
<b>Investments</b>				
Interest-Savings	0.00	7.20	0.00	7.20
<b>Total Investments</b>	0.00	7.20	0.00	7.20
<b>Program Income</b>				
Membership Dues	0.00	3,700.00	0.00	3,700.00
<b>Total Program Income</b>	0.00	3,700.00	0.00	3,700.00
<b>Special Events Income</b>	19,964.91	0.00	16,129.68	36,094.59
<b>Total Income</b>	21,997.14	8,178.07	25,877.25	56,052.46
<b>Gross Profit</b>	21,997.14	8,178.07	25,877.25	56,052.46
<b>Expense</b>				
<b>Awards and Grants</b>	11,479.72	1,571.13	0.00	13,050.85
<b>Banking Service Charges</b>	0.00	0.00	17.49	17.49
<b>Business Expenses</b>				
Business Registration Fees	0.00	10.00	0.00	10.00
<b>Total Business Expenses</b>	0.00	10.00	0.00	10.00
<b>Operations</b>				
Postage, Mailing Service	39.85	0.00	0.00	39.85
Printing and Copying	156.53	0.00	0.00	156.53
Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Telephone, Telecommunications	107.76	0.00	0.00	107.76
<b>Total Operations</b>	304.14	0.00	0.00	304.14
<b>Travel and Meetings</b>				
Conference, Convention, Meeting	0.00	1,220.44	16,719.83	17,940.27
<b>Total Travel and Meetings</b>	0.00	1,220.44	16,719.83	17,940.27
<b>Total Expense</b>	11,783.86	2,801.57	16,737.32	31,322.75
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	10,213.28	5,376.50	9,139.93	24,729.71
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	<u>NFFF</u>	<u>PCFCA</u>	<u>PITC</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>Account Balances</b>				
Checking Balance	\$ 25,727.23			
Savings Balance	\$ 23,931.82			
Total	\$ 49,659.05			
<b>Dues Owed</b>				
Sonoita	\$ 100.00			
City of South Tucson	\$ 100.00			
Total	\$ 200.00			
<b>Checks Written</b>				
debit      Fedex   NFFF - auction	\$ 39.85			
debit      Casino del Sol - Safety Day	\$ 5,371.80			
1191      Fun Jet Vacations- NFFF Auction	\$ 1,850.00			
1192      John Gulotta - PITC Trophys Reimb	\$ 129.72			
1193      DP Solutions - NFFF Bid Forms	\$ 156.53			
1194      Todd's Restaurant - PITC - ISO, SA	\$ 800.00			
Total	\$ 8,347.90			
<b>Deposits</b>				
1-Jun      Paypal - PITC - Safety Day, ISO, SA	\$ 6,376.82			
9-Jun      Bank - NFFF - Auction, PITC-Safety	\$ 3,715.00			
28-Jun     Bank - NFFF - NFFF Reimbursement -Auction	\$ 7,045.70			
Total	\$ 17,137.52			



Pima Fire Chief's  
EMS Section Report  
July, 2016

**SAEMS**

- Taking nominations for vice chair position to replace Mike Miller.
- -DHS agreed to funding for SAEMS - \$115,000
- -There is money available in the Chuck Kramer Scholarship Fund for EMS training if people apply. The scholarship pays 50% of the cost up to \$1,000.
- -Cochise County is using Data Crosswalk program to help define Community Paramedicine. They should be contacting area departments regarding this.
- -Regional Trauma discussed how to get feedback to agencies/providers and discharge summaries to be sent to Base Hospital Managers or agency managers.
- -Updated standing orders should be added to the SAEMS website along with the Hyperlinks being activated.

**PDR**

- Abdominal Pain S/O and SLP are ready for SAEMS approval
- Hypoglycemia S/O, Needle Thoracostomy Protocol, and High Risk OB Triage Protocol are ready for EMS Medical Dir.

**MMRS-**

- Meeting Cancelled

**EMS Medical Directors**

- No actions taken

**PEMS-**

Info from Chief Caid

- AHCCCS is working on a "Treat and Refer" program.
  - AHCCCS is the only paying entity as of now. The reimbursement rate may be between \$200-\$300.
  - Protocols are being developed by Medical Directors.
  - Not all agencies have to participate.
  - Requires a 12hr CE training program.
  - Applications to get into the program are through DHS. There are requirements to be met.
  - There are questions about liability issues.
  - Chandler Fire Health and Medical Program created this.

**Base Hospital Manager**

- Matt Irmier is leaving his position and will be taking on a new roll as Sierra Vista Fire BC. (SAEMS will need a new Outside Regional Rep.)

### **Provider Agency**

- -Proposed at the state level regarding drug boxes and high medication costs:
  - Epi pens, you only have to carry 1 adult and 1 pediatric.
  - Atropine, you only have to carry 1 bristo-jet not 3.
  - Glucagon, only carry 1 now.
  - BiCarb, only carry 1 now.
  - Contact Dr. J. Gaither at UMC for questions about changes.
- -Aug 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> is Arizona Ambulance Conference in Prescott. One of the topics will be Operation Blue regarding human trafficking.
- -Robin is no longer with DHS and her duties will now be handled by Brian O'Leary out of Phoenix.
- -AMR/RM integration will take place over Sept/Oct for Southern Arizona.

### **Air Medical**

- Working on their bylaws.

### **Regional Trauma**

- No report forwarded

## Southern Arizona Fire Marshals

The Southern Arizona Fire Marshals met yesterday at 13:30 having nine fire marshals/fire inspectors present. A great discussion took place concerning uniformity among the various jurisdictions and their construction guidelines that are made public to all developers, contractors and architects. A illustrative guide to the code book is being developed for the purpose of providing plain language instructions to these individuals. The guidebook will include fire safety during construction and demolition, forms and instructions backed with photographs as demonstrative information on how to achieve the items required by the fire code. A series of Standard Operating Guidelines are also in development as are updating application forms to be used either hard copy or electronically on the various fire agency web sites.

The organization is becoming a little more formalized in that a logo has been developed for the group (See attachment).

The process of updating codes will begin in 2017 as the 2018 edition of the IFC will become available towards the end of next year.

All for now...

**William R. Loesche, Battalion Chief**  
**Fire Marshal - Fire & Life Safety Division**

# SOUTHERN ARIZONA FIRE MARSHALS





[www.tucsonfirefoundation.org](http://www.tucsonfirefoundation.org)

**Recent NFPA Report on 2015 Firefighter deaths, <http://www.nfpa.org/news-and-research/publications/nfpa-journal/2016/july-august-2016/features/firefighter-fatalities> : cardiac, cancer and mental health are top three. Fire Foundation continues to work with Well America to fund Advanced Cardiac Screens for firefighters at risk and all over age 48. Working to move age marker to age 40 as 2/3 of the firefighter deaths are age 40 and older.**

**Working with Well America on cancer detection and prevention for firefighters. Lifestyle is a major factor with cancer. Does your department allow, condone or facilitate tobacco use?**

**The Fire Foundation continues to fund mental health counseling copays for firefighter, in need of assistance, with Foundation affiliated providers. The current affiliated providers are JFCS and Sequoia Springs.**

**These health and wellness programs which have saved local firefighters lives and careers are funded via Fire Foundation events. The next event which supports firefighter health and wellness is October 8, 4th Annual Casino Night and Charity Auction.**

**The Fire Foundation remains ALL volunteer with no paid staff. Majority of overhead is insurance and bookkeeping.**

**Events:**

**October 8, 4th Annual Casino Night and Charity Auction, more information at [www.tucsonfirefoundation.org](http://www.tucsonfirefoundation.org).**

Submitted July 21, 2016, Mike McKendrick, Chairman Greater Tucson Fire Foundation

Greater  
**Tucson**  
Fire Foundation

# CASINO NIGHT

## DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

October 8, 2016

Hosted by the Arizona History Museum  
949 E. 2nd Street, Tucson, AZ 85719

Cash Bar & Silent Auction: 5:00 pm to 5:45 pm

Dinner: 5:45 pm

Casino Games Open: 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm

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\$800 for Table of 10 | \$700 for Table of 8  
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# Firefighter Deaths by Cause of Injury -- 2015

