



Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel
 October 10, 2013
 Ocala, Florida

ROLL CALL:

<u>PRESENT:</u> <u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING:</u>
Kasie Crowe, Florida Forest Service	Division of Forestry
Bill Gulbrandsen, Longwood Fire Rescue	Florida Assoc. of Counties
Bill Klein, Brevard Community College	State Fire Marshal
Bill Lombardo, South Trail Fire	FL Assoc. Special Districts
Steve McCoy, Bureau of EMS	Bureau of EMS
Rand Napoli	Florida League of Cities
Joe Palminteri, Citrus County Fire Rescue	State Fire Marshal
Jon Pasqualone, FL Fire Marshals & Inspectors Assoc.	FL Fire Marshals & Inspectors Assoc.
Tim Pilson, Palm Harbor Fire Rescue	State Fire Marshal
Gene Prince, City of Gainesville F/R	FL Fire Chiefs' Association
Lew Simon	State Fire Marshal
Rick Spence, Reedy Creek F.D.	FL Professional Firefighters
Laurie Sweeney, Orange County Fire-Rescue Dept.	FL Professional Firefighters

ABSENT:

Greg Gay	State Fire Marshal
Ron Parrish, St. Lucie County Fire District	FL Fire Chiefs' Association

The Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel meeting was called to order.

On a motion duly made, the minutes from the Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel held on July 22, 2013 were approved.

Motion carried.

REPORT FROM FFIRS: *Given by Keith McCarthy and Matt Hinson*

Handout provided

- 515 fire departments are participating in the FFIRS program (89.88%)
- 1.4 million incidents have been processed.
- 57 fire related civilian deaths
- 600 firefighter injuries
- Fire departments utilizing NFIRS Federal Software need to contact the FFIRS to update to the current version 5.9.4.
- Hamilton County is looking into a consolidation of all local fire departments into a single Hamilton County Fire Department.

REPORT FROM EMS: *Given by Steve McCoy, EMS*

- The Division Director has resigned, Interim Director is Bob Eddy from Monroe County.
- Rule Reduction Exercise completed – reducing the number of Administrative Rules that govern EMS. (Workshops required)
- An assessment by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration will be held on November 11 – 14, 2013 and will review the Florida EMS System.
- National EMS Information System is increasing their reporting efforts and want to open the national data set to local agencies so local agencies (with proper permissions) can log into the national data set and will be able to benchmark themselves against other agencies and national criteria.
- The 2012 Call Volume Report is due out today/tomorrow. Will distribute to Panel members.
- EMSTARS is still the premier data system in the country with 9.1 million records. These records have been linked with hospital discharge stats.
- The new system, EMSTARS 3.0 (national compliant system) is being tested in internally. Hope to go live by November 2013 and would like everyone to be transferred over by the end of 2014.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Juvenile Fire Setters
 - As of this date, that module has not yet been utilized although it is available. Panel members encourage the use of this module.

The Florida Fire Marshals Association received a grant in 2000 to partner with SFM to track juvenile fire setter data.

Chairman Napoli asked for a member of The Florida Fire Marshals Association to give an update on this grant/partnership at the next meeting (January).

NEW BUSINESS:

- FFIRS Statistics – departments that report late should be left out of year-to-date comparisons for more accurate data.

AUDIENCE: None

NEXT MEETING: Fire Rescue East. Thursday, January 23, 2014, 8:30 a.m.

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