

Boulder County Wildland Fire Cooperator  
Business Meeting Minutes – October 7, 2011

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Meeting began at 1010 hours

Introductions – went around the room

Approval of August 2011 Meeting Minutes: 1<sup>st</sup> R O'Donnell, 2<sup>nd</sup> D Zader – None opposed minutes approved as submitted.

- September meeting was cancelled – no minutes taken.
- 1. Treasurers Report – E Philips
  - a. Current balance: \$7,358.63
  - b. No bills received regarding repair to practice fire shelters.
- 2. Training Update
  - a. S290 Student Scholarship
    - i. Group confirmed receipt of flyer
    - ii. Discussion regarding BCWFC offering financial support for S290 course cost.
      - 1. There needs to be a minimum of 20-25 students to make the class go.
      - 2. Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for registration – class will be cancelled if the minimum student roster isn't met.
      - 3. Motion to designate \$2,000 to the overall cost of the S290 course, as a sponsor contribution, to reduce the cost of tuition for students to \$100 per student. 1<sup>st</sup> D Zader, 2<sup>nd</sup> Z Littlefield. Motion passed – None opposed.
        - a. Discussion regarding the concern of this setting a precedence that a scholarship will always be offered.
      - b. Suggestion to not call it a scholarship.

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- b. BCWFC offering classes or Teaming with a group with an MOU – Discussion held.
  - i. R O'Donnell will follow up with Kim Bang/Boyd Lebeda regarding what the BCWFC needs to do in order to get an MOU in place with NWCG – Tabled until November 2011 meeting. (In regards to handing out legitimate NWCG certificates.)
- c. Training Needs Analysis Update/Needs (R O'Donnell)
  - i. Want to encourage people to train outside of Boulder County.
  - ii. Suggestion for BCWFC to offer the Annual Refresher, S130/190, S211, S290, S215 every year.
  - iii. Discussion regarding what the student minimum is for each class, course/instructor costs...etc.
  - iv. Discussion regarding the progression of what courses to offer over a 3 year period.
  - v. Discussion regarding creating programs that teach the basics of classes such as S215 --- i.e. an “115” course
  - vi. Schedule agreed upon:
    - 1. April RT130
    - 2. May S130/190/L180, S211, pack tests
    - 3. November S290
- 3. October Wildland Fire Awareness Month – (J Webster)
  - a. A lot of events happening throughout the county – events are FREE
  - b. Aviation operations – D Zader: covers
    - i. types of aircraft and their capability
    - ii. current resources available/being used
  - c. Poster contest – prizes for all age groups
  - d. 10/27 Jack Cohen from the USFS talking about home destruction – this is a FREE lecture. Did research/reports from the Haymen Fire.

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- e. Information about the upcoming events went out via email. (BCWFC)
- f. For information about all the events:

[WWW.BOULDERCOUNTYCWFP.ORG](http://WWW.BOULDERCOUNTYCWFP.ORG)

4. Forest Improvement District – Ballot Issue 5C -- Discussion held. (B Haberstick)

- a. This affects from approximately Hwy 36 to Peak to Peak Hwy and from Lyons south to county boundary.
- b. This is not a ballot of taxation at this point – but instead an establishment of a geographic area to coordinate Wildfire Mitigation efforts.

5. Announcements

- a. S212 (NWCG) course is being discussed – contact Fritz Koch if you are interested in taking the class.
- b. **November is the election of officers – Please submit nominations for Co-Chair and Treasurer positions – this is a 1 year term.**
- c. December/January there are no meetings scheduled unless there is a need. If new chairs are in place they take over in February.

6. Next Meeting

- a. The next BCWFC meeting is Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at the BRFTC beginning at 1000 hours.

Meeting adjourned at 1120 hours.