



Florida Association for Search and Rescue

A Professional Interest Section of the Florida Fire Chiefs' Association

FASAR Business Meeting Agenda

MISSION

Unify and coordinate the efforts of SAR Responders in the State of Florida.

July 16, 2021
3:45 – 4:45 pm

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Roll call and introduction of special guests -

Installation of section council (Vice Chair and odd region reps)

Under new guidance by the BoD by-laws, cannot hold 2 positions on a committee, Region 3 rep position is now vacant. Appointing Gary Kuehner – Jacksonville FD.

Appointment of nomination committee for Chair, Secretary and even region reps – Larry Doerffel, Spencer Bashinski

Dr. Kellie Odare-Wilson with 2nd alarm project will speak on mental health and US&R. Faculty member at Florida A&M in Tallahassee. Have a federal grant to provide service in Panhandle. Provide tele-counseling services staffed with personnel who are familiar with first responders, education and training, first responder families, peer support team buildout. Was able to deploy with TF 7 as mental health. www.2ndalarmproject.org

Legislative Update – legislative budget process which will have a lot of eyes due to Champlain Towers. Received additional funding of \$500,000 for US&R training, in addition to SHSGP funding.

EMAC/SUSAR Update – SUSAR had virtual conference, November conference pushed to April/May 2022 and Orlando in 2023. FEMA looking into a path for a state instructor to become a FEMA instructor. Also looking for avenue for state TF members to be part of federal system.

Working Group Reports

TRT – 39 active TRT in state, 6 FD's interested in adding a team. Developing a process for adding teams with SFM. Access to Florida-SERP.com for Matt Brown to add teams. Adding standard uniform for TRT deployment. Teams will be submitting the ORE's for next year's evaluation.

Getting multiple requests for equipment replacements from cache for Surfside. Go to WebEOC and review mission and verify. Get email to Nick

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Zielonka in accounting for clean up and get reimbursement. Copy John Kohnke and TJ Lyon. Too much duplication and needs to be cleaned up by tonight or tomorrow if possible.

StS – worked on recruitment plans and inventory for the state. Had concerns with brand new engineer and recruit as an StS. Incorporate our StS into more realistic exercises so they are prepared for what they actually saw in Champlain Towers. Need to make sure 2 engineers to make decisions and make sure they are included in mental health assistance.

HSART – Col. Steele, new in charge of air ops, NG is lead for helicopter insertion. Maj. Thomas with CERF-P is also integral in Air Ops.

Reports by Region

Region 1 – Added Destin as Type 1 TRT.

Region 2 – Had good working relationship down in Miami which motivated personnel

Region 3 – TF 5 and TF 8 deployed down to Champlain Towers

Region 4 - TF 3 to Champlain Towers, Pasco County adding TRT

Region 5 – Volusia County ready to go green as TRT. TF 4 deployed to Champlain Towers

Region 6 – Sarasota interested in TRT. TF 6 deployed to Champlain Towers

Region 7 – Appreciative of the quality and professionalism of the 8 state task forces. Work was better than ever experienced.

SERP-ERC meeting scheduled at 0700 tomorrow morning. Very proud of the work of the 8 task forces and is showed.

New Business

Air monitoring provided on site by UM at Champlain Towers. P100 mask cartridges to were sent for research and evaluation.

Concept of deploying Haz Mat integration into the US&R deployment based on impact to area to make sure Haz Mat is covered as local Haz Mat may be overwhelmed. Also integrating MARC units with US&R deployment.

Peer evaluation – need a way to review each team to evaluate their responsiveness. Need to support on site evaluations. Work into sustainment for 3 year process for self-evaluation, peer eval to ORE. TRT's submitting ORE's and Regional Reps evaluating. Training area in Georgia that can be used.

After action reports for the response to Champlain Towers need to format and who will be taking the lead. All TFL's start documenting information on response. Start capturing info in addition to three ups and 3 downs, including what failed and best practices. Should be in combination with SFM and FASAR. TF's need to conduct their hot wash ASAP.

Any info on new policies on drones. Still in process and hope to have better info in January.

Next meeting will be January 18-22, 2022 at FRE. Will have quarterly meetings set up. Motion to adjourn, Rhodes, Seconded by Chappell.

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