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Minutes of the November 27, 2006 VSMAI meeting in Old Lyme, CT.

The meeting was called to order by President Fazzino at 19:30 hrs with a salute to the flag.

Special Presentations: John Brady distributed and reviewed a letter dated October 25, 2006 from the CT Department of Labor regarding "Guidelines for Cadets / Explorers / Junior Firefighters". John explained that the development of these guidelines was a joint effort between the CT State Fire Commission and the CT Department of Labor. Several of the activities were discussed / clarified by John. John encouraged departments with strong objections to any of these guidelines to discuss with John for further review and possible changes in future versions of the guidelines. President Fazzino thanked John for his efforts on behalf of the CT Fire Commission to develop these guidelines.

Reading of the previous meeting minutes:

MMS to accept the minutes of the October 23, 2006 as distributed (Perkins / Herrschaft).

Reading of communications: None.

Treasurer's report:

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$4,053.35. MMS to accept the Treasurer's report as presented (Tabak / Brady).

Bills to be paid: None.

Committee report(s):

1. Statewide Disaster Plan: No update, there has not been a meeting in the past month.

Old Business:

1. Mutual Aid Agreements: All departments were reminded to complete the VSMAI Mutual Aid Agreements by January 1, 2007 and return a copy to the Secretary. To date responses have been received from Deep River, Old Saybrook, Haddam and Durham.
2. Hybrid cars class: Still waiting to hear back from Lorenson with possible dates.

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3. Drug / Meth Labs: President Fazzino reported that he had recently attended a presentation to Fire Marshals by the DEA on Drug / Meth Labs. He is attempting to Contact OS FM Dobson to see if the presentation can be repeated locally for VSMAI.
4. SOGs: Dick Bauer and John Brady will draft a new VSMAI SOG that formally recognizes the Jr / Explorer guidelines in the October 25, 2006 letter from the CT Department of Labor.
5. Chief Herrschaft reported that the RIT weekend went well, in total there were 44 attendees. Guilford may be looking for VSMAI to sponsor future RIT weekends.

New Business:

1. Chester will be hosting a FF2 class beginning January 8th, there are still a few openings. President Fazzino encouraged all departments to consider existing class schedules when planning classes in the area. Every effort should be made to avoid conflicts between classes.
2. There will be a full EMT class in Guilford beginning January 8th.
3. The Nominating Committee to present the slate of officers for 2007 will consist of the following members:
 - a. Steve Olsen – Chair
 - b. Jim Budney
 - c. Charlie Herrschaft

Interest to the Organization:

1. Reminder that the December VSMAI meeting will be held on December 18th, 2006 at Fireman's Field in Old Saybrook, 7:30 PM.
2. Valley Shore EMS Chiefs will again be hosting a joint EMS / Fire Chiefs meeting in Chester, the date is January 16, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

MMS to adjourn at 20:20 hours (Heser / Manware).

Respectfully submitted,

Richard A. Bauer
Secretary / Treasurer

Next meeting will be Monday, December 18th in Old Saybrook (Fireman's Field) at 19:30 hours.



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John Divis – Chester
Brian Dow – Old Lyme
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Charlie Herrschaft – Guilford
Jeff Hesel - Clinton
Dave Jewett – Old Lyme
Gary Klare - Haddam
Brian Manware – Clinton
Steve Olsen - Essex
Jed Perkins – Chester
Gregg Prevost – Westbrook
Tom Rozanski – Old Lyme
Steve Super – Old Lyme
John Tabak – Haddam
Jeff True – Old Saybrook