



BRIEFING FOR STANDARDS COUNCIL

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1. BFST Staff:
 - a. John DeIorio, Interim Chief of Town of Palm Beach has replaced Chuck Smeby, who is now with U.F. full time.
 - b. Advertised Instructor Supervisor, Al Williams has requested to return to instructor position. Will move as soon as hurricanes will leave us alone.
2. Curriculum:
 - a. New curriculum for hydraulics not yet ready, Broward Fire Academy is providing. We will use IFSTA Driver/Operator Handbook, which is also used for the Apparatus course.
 - b. Tactics curriculum committee is recommending “Fireground Strategies”, by Anthony A. Avillo, published by PennWell for Tactics One. Wish to require the new IS-195, IS-700 (Intro. to NIMS IS-700 – online) and a new proposal on-line course on SERP and FOG as pre-requisites, replace I-100, I-200 in FO1.
 - c. Request for FFTDs to change text for Course Delivery, desire of Superintendent (me) is to include student safety issues in Delivery. We need FFTDA to name a representative to the development committee for January to start reviewing texts.
 - d. Hurricanes and Domestic Security have held up Safety Officer training programs and certification. Request to appoint a development committee of:
 - FFOSHA: Walt Malo
 - FSFC: Klingensmith or DeIorio
 - FFFCA:
 - FDF:
 - TCs:
 - CCs:...with people with specific topic and teaching experience.
 - e. Live Fire Instructor curriculum development has been incredible. Large group, but with big results, as opposed to usual large committee work.

Still intend Train-the Trainer be offered regionally and then by regional Training Centers. Next meeting November 9. Expect the product in late spring. Lead is Buck Tomlinson.

3. Great Florida Fire School – in Avon Park has been officially postponed until January 12 - 16, 2005. The decision to postpone was based on the desire to produce a quality program and the recent hurricanes have made that a nearly impossible task for November.
4. Working with Florida Fire & Emergency Services Foundation for volunteer specific offerings.
5. Standards
 - a. New Firefighter I and II question banks should be ready by March. Will allow use of IFSTA, Delmar or IAFC/NFPA (Jones & Bartlett), textbooks, nationally validated books.
 - b. Driver/Operator next for new bank.
 - c. Have OPS personnel in Panhandle and at FSFC.
6. FFOSHA
 - a. Now in effect
 - b. Challenged (depo on 10/5) by Putnam County Volunteer, apparently on his belief that this is a ploy to get more paid firefighters, although he likes the curriculum. FPF and FFCA to support keeping “as is”.
 - c. Offer still stands to offer Compliance/implementation training at constituent group meetings.
7. NIMS
New federal initiative under Homeland Security for one mandatory Incident Command System. Required for federal funding. Train-the Trainer here to select groups of fire, law enforcement training entities to be followed by several offerings so all training centers (fire, law enforcement, etc) can teach for certification.
8. PPE for EMS
Plan with DOE and SWG was for fire training centers to provide basically the same program as done for law enforcement, except covering the PAPRs and some equipment.