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## **SABINE-NECHES CHIEFS ASSOCIATION**

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### 2009 Board of Directors

**Stephen L. Curran**  
President 09-10

**John D. Owens**  
Vice-President 09-10

**Terry Basham**  
Secretary/Treasurer 09-10

**Vernon Pierce**  
Sergeant-at-Arms 09-10

**Dale Jackson**  
Fire Director 08-09

**Larry Richard**  
Fire Director 09-10

**Larry McBride**  
Industry Director 08-09

**Doug Jones**  
Industry Director 09-10

**Aleta Cappen**  
Police Director 08-09

**Tod McDowell**  
Police Director 09-10

**Jeff Kelley**  
At-Large Director 09-10

**Butch Holmes**  
EMS Director 09-10

**Cindy Powers**  
Health Director 09-10

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## CORRESPONDANCE:

### **BEST Complex Annual Fall Fire School (BAFFS)**

President Curran read a letter from ISTC/BEST Complex concerning the upcoming Annual Fire School which will be held October 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

In order to ensure this is a premier training event, the SNCA has been invited to have representatives in each of the two sub committee's (Municipal and Industrial). If you are interested please contact Elgin Browning at [Elgin.H.Browning@Invista.com](mailto:Elgin.H.Browning@Invista.com). Elgin will submit the names for consideration to the Board of Directors for a final decision. Please submit names no later than noon on Monday, December 14, 2009.

## TREASURERS REPORT:

The Treasurer's information is compiled by Terry Basham, Sec. /Treasurer with the assistance of John Avery, PAFD

Financials as of 11/30/2009:

Checking:	32,448.91
Undeposited checks	750.00
CD:	<u>4,967.86</u>
Total	\$38,166.77

**Everyone was asked to check the status of their dues prior to leaving the meeting.**

The President called for a motion to approve the Treasurers Report; Greg Fountain made the motion to approve the Financials and Tommy Wells seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Members showing as not paid to date:

Member Name
BASF/Pt. Arthur
Beaumont Health Department
Center Point Energy
CHRISTUS Hospital - St. Mary
Entergy Texas
Explorer Pipeline
ExxonMobil Beaumont Refinery
Firestone Polymers
Flint Hills
Huntsman
International Specialty Products
Motiva Enterprises
Pinehurst Fire Department
Shell Pipeline Company LP
Simplex Grinnell - Bmt Fire Ext
Stat Care EMS
Total Inc.-Pt. Arthur
Total Safety (WSI)
VIDOR ISD
Webb, Murray & Associates

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Dues – please don't wait until the last minute to pay them because it creates a backlog of work.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Election:**

Election was held for the expiring terms for three Board positions in accordance with ***Robert's Rules of Order***.

President Curran noted that the participation was good and it is very much needed and appreciated.

The open positions were:

- 1) Fire Director Position (Dale Jackson's current position)
  - a. Dale Jackson
  - b. Jerry Ziller
  - c. Ann Huff
- 2) Industry Director Position ( Larry McBride's current position)
  - a. Tommy Wells
  - b. Ross Gourlay
  - c. Charlie Cardin
- 3) Police Director Position (Aleta Cappen's current position)
  - a. Aleta Cappen
  - b. Tim Ochnashek

The President reviewed the ballot and provided the membership the opportunity to make nominations from the floor, or accept the slate as presented. There were no nominations from the floor and Larry Richard made a motion to close the nomination and proceed with the voting process. Elgin Browning seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Written ballots were disseminated per the SNCA Constitution.

In the absence of the Sergeant of Arms, the president appointed John Owens to supervise the tally and Larry Richard and Butch Holmes to assist. Upon tally, the results were reported to the Secretary/Treasurer, and so announced to the general membership by the President.

The results were:

**Fire Director Position** Dale Jackson  
**Industry Director Position** Tommy Wells  
**Police Director Position** Aleta Cappen

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Nominating Committee: Tommy Wells See above**

**Membership Committee: Dennis Gifford- No Report**

**Constitution and By-Laws: Gary Collins No Report**

**Audit Committee: Andrew Garcia – No Report**

**Training and Education Committee: Elgin Browning**

Below are some of the upcoming training opportunities.

Industrial Fire World Emergency Responder Conference & Expo  
February 22 - 26, 2010  
Crowne Plaza Hotel  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Williams Fire Foam School April 18-19, 2010

For Calendar Updates or Additions, or more info regarding Training and Education, Please email Elgin Browning at [ebrowning@qt.rr.com](mailto:ebrowning@qt.rr.com)

**Members need to check <https://www.preparingtexas.org/index.aspx?>**

**NOTE:** All programs are subject to change at a moment's notice due to changes of emergencies, conflicts in scheduling, etc. For the most current training dates, check the calendar website.

**Awards Committee: Stephanie Garsea –**

Nominations for Awards have been made and will be given at the Boss' night."

**Communications Committee: Pat Grimes –**

The city of Beaumont completed their comms to all digital from analog. Overall the radios work well. There have been miscellaneous problems that Motorola have addressed. Some are issues in the dispatch consoles. The Regional radios system up-grade has completed the "Cold Install" and are now working on licensing the additional frequencies on all 4 towers. Once the simulcast system is up the IR Repeater equipment for two towers will be moved to the two towers in Hardin County.

Final Texas Communication Operations Plan was submitted by state to local council of governments.

**Inventory: Vernon Pierce – No report**

**Bosses Night: David Frenzel -**

Bosses Night is Here! The event will be held Monday December 7th at the Groves Activity Center. The event will start at 6:00 PM, with a social hour and the meal will be served at 7:00 PM. The

Beaumont Fire Department Band will perform and the program will be handled by the SNCA 60th Anniversary Committee. Good food and fellowship and great door prizes will abound!

**Program Committee: - Roger Erickson**

We really appreciate people stepping up to help. We also greatly appreciate the super programs we have been having! Programs are scheduled thru August 2010. If you have ANY suggestions please contact Roger @ [roger.erickson@noaa.gov](mailto:roger.erickson@noaa.gov).

**Drill and Exercise Committee: Bob Stegall - No report**

**Homeland Security Committee: Steve Curran –No report**

**Oil Spill Committee: Tommy Wells- No Report**

**Overhead Team Committee: Jeff Kelley- No Report**

**Strategic Planning Committee: Cindy Powers – No Report**

**SNCA Golf Tournament Committee: Stephanie Garsea –**

Plans are to continue to use Belle Oaks for the Annual Golf Tournament.

**Public Relations Committee: Stephanie Garsea— No Report**

**ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORT**

**60th Anniversary Committee – Dennis Gifford**

New 60th year patch insignia and a PowerPoint Presentation will be presented at Bosses Night. See you there!

**RECENT EMERGENCIES/ ISSUES**

Recent emergencies were discussed in the following categories: Industry, Municipal Fire, Law Enforcement, EMS, Homeland Security and Health.

**PROGRAM**

A drive safe presentation was given by the Port Arthur Police Department. The program emphasized driver awareness and safety. For further information please contact Ricky Antoine at [rantoin@portarthur.pd.com](mailto:rantoin@portarthur.pd.com)

**PLEASE NOTE THE UP-COMING HOSTS:**

Please review the upcoming hosts. Each member is required to host a monthly meeting. Below is the schedule for 2010-2011.

Host Member	Month	Year
SNCA Strategic Planning Meeting	January	2010

Lamar (LIT)	February	2010
Martin Midstream Patners L.P.	March	2010
Texas Petrochemicals	April	2010
Orange County Emergency Mgt.	May	2010
Dooley Tackaberry	June	2010
Garner Environmental	July	2010
Oil Mop	August	2010
Hagemeyer North America	September	2010
E. I. DuPont (Orange)	October	2010
Sun Marine Terminal (Sunoco)	November	2010
Acadian Ambulance	December	2010
SNCA Strategic Planning Meeting	January	2011
Chevron/Phillips Chemical Co. - Orange	February	2011
Pinehurst Fire Department	March	2011
Chevron-UGT Pipeline	April	2011
Colonial Pipeline Company	May	2011
ExxonMobil Chemical P/E	June	2011
Valero	July	2011
Firestone Polymers	August	2011
Cheniere	September	2011
CHRISTUS Hospital - St. Elizabeth	October	2011
Chemtrade Logistics (Peak Sulfur)	November	2011
Bridge City	December	2011

### **ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Larry Richard and seconded by Darrel Irvin to adjourn the 724<sup>th</sup> meeting at 11:15 am. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

***Terry Basham***

Secretary/Treasurer