



Oregon Life Safety Team
April 17, 2008
1:30-3:30 p.m.
Office of State Fire Marshal

Minutes

Attendees

Chris Riffle, Salem Fire
Joanne Hatch, TVF&R
Joe Burchyski, CPSC
Mary Lou Fletcher, Nestucca RFPD
Rod Nichols, ODF
Shelly Scrowe, Nestucca RFPD
Stephanie Mills, CPSC

Steve Schneiderman, OVFA
Tom Bohm, Hermiston FD
Tari Glocar, OSFM
Judy Okulitch, OSFM
Stephanie Stafford, OSFM
Colleen Olson, OSFM
Candice Clark, OSFM

Not Present

Bill Sharp, Curry County
Cindy Kettering, Bend FD
Dan Hammel, Mid-Columbia F&R
Dave Neymeyer, Forest Grove FD
Don Hickman, Jackson County FD #3
Gary Timm, Baker County
Heather Hill, Lane County FD #1
Hyla Ridenour, Columbia County
Jason Cane, Polk County
Jim Patton, Corvallis FD
Kamron Ismaili, Josephine County

Kathleen Hornstuen, SWOPSA
Laura Houston, OFSOA
Lenard Hansen, Astoria FD
Lyle Klenski, Grant County
Melissa Gannie, WA OSFM
Mesheal Heyman, OR Real Estate Agency
Mark Wilson, OFMA (Lebanon FD)
Renea Addington, Douglas County
Scott Rice, Klamath County
Tim Birr, Fire Safety Coalition

Judy Okulitch called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m., April 17, 2008 in the Mt. Hood conference room.

Approval of the Minutes

The team approved minutes from the February 21, 2008 meeting and they are available online at: http://egov.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/docs/Comm_Ed/LST/LST_Minutes/OLST2008/02_21_08OLSTminutes.pdf

Introductions Judy introduced Candice Clark, Community Education Specialist, for the Office of State Fire Marshal. Candice is working in the firesetter intervention program and is helping to staff the OLST.

Association & Representative Reports

Clackamas County - Joanne Hatch

No new information to report.

TVF&R had a media event to spot light receiving an \$8,500 check from Firemen's Fund to help with safety messages on the safety trailer.

Grant, Umatilla, Union & Wallowa County - Tom Bohm

Eastern Oregon is trying to establish a fire prevention coop between the North Eastern part of Oregon and Washington.

Marion County - Chris Riffle

Salem Fire has several new engines. The majority are in service.

Salem Fire Department has started building two new fire stations. One of the fire stations is on the fire department webcam at: <http://www.cityofsalem.net/export/departments/fire/events/stations/>, where you can watch the building process.

The City of Salem is facing budget cuts; the fire department will be impacted.

Keizer Fire Department welcomes new Fire Chief Jeff Cowan.

Marion County Fire District 1 and Turner Fire District are working on combining their districts.

Tillamook County - Mary Lou Fletcher

Nestucca Fire Department has reestablished their Public Education Team. Mary Lou and five women have been going out into the community and putting ideas together. In Tillamook the inmates constructed a wooden fire truck for the Head Start play ground and are in the process of building another one.

Mary Lou and Shelly Scrove attended the Door-to-Door Smoke Alarm Campaign Workshop prior to OLST meeting.

Washington County - Joanne Hatch

Washington County Safe Kids are hosting the May 3rd Zoo Event. They plan on reaching over 10,000 children at the Oregon Zoo.

Consumer Product Safety Commission - Joe Burchyski

CPSC is going through organizational changes.

Metro injury prevention coalition is hosting a bi-state meeting on April 25, 2008 at the Portland Fire Bureau training. The goal is to share public education information and to see what representatives from Oregon and Washington are doing.

Stephanie Mills: There have been several recalls. An example is a toy helicopter where the batteries explode while plugged in to charge. A couple of incidents have occurred in Oregon. Also a fire control board has been recalled. She will post recalls, statistical and other studies that are of interest to the

Oregon fire service on the IAAI Oregon website at: www.or-iaai.net/Home.htm. Find additional information on recalls at: www.cpssc.gov.

Oregon Department of Forestry - Rod Nichols

ODF is monitoring the US Forest Services Fire Suppression Program vs. the forest services activist group/forest service employees for environmental health agencies, lawsuit against fire retardant. The current fire retardant has chemicals used as corrosion inhibitor that can break down into cyanide during exposure to sun light and if dropped near streams can kill aquatic life. California Fire Department uses a newer fire retardant called the blue goo.

Keep Oregon Green Association is sponsoring wildfire awareness week this year and are encouraging people to plant fire resistant ornamentals species. Rod received a signed proclamation from Governor Kulongoski.

Oregon Volunteer Firefighter Association - Steve Schneiderman

OVFA reported the 50th annual conference is June 18–21, 2008. It will be held in Keizer at the training center. The class schedule is on the OVFA website. Additional information is available at: www.ovfa.org

He hopes to hear soon on the new Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant for volunteer recruitment and retention, it was a four year program, about two months ago they received the ten question email, but still haven't received the grant.

South Western Oregon Public Safety will have a booth at the Coos Bay home show.

Coos Bay Fire Department is going for a bond for a new fire station but is competing with the school district bond measure.

Old Business

Pro-Schools Online Realtor Smoke Alarm Curriculum – Colleen Olson

Colleen announced that the course has been developed for the online real estate program. Once Pro-School is done it will be put on the web and showcased at OLST meeting. It will also be shared with the Real Estate Agency. This project is a result of an issue posed by Representative Sal Esquivel who was concerned that people are selling their homes and not complying with smoke alarm laws

NFPA Remembering When – Stephanie Stafford

Update: OSFM is partnering with Department of Human Services (DHS), Seniors and People with Disabilities (SPD) to roll out the Remembering When (a fire and fall program for older adults). On March 25th Judy and Stephanie attended a DHS/SPD Quarterly Leadership Training and presented Remembering When to over 40 individuals including SPD district managers and central office Staff.

Toylike Lighter Campaign - Judy Okulitch

- Arson Awareness Week is May 4-10, 2008 the theme is Toylike Lighters: Playing with Fire.

Arson Awareness Week media kit link

http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/downloads/pdf/arson/aaw08_media_kit.pdf

Arson Awareness Week poster link

http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/downloads/pdf/arson/aaw08_print_quality_poster.pdf

Toylike lighter webpage link

http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/Novelty_Toylike_Lighters.shtml

OSFM has submitted the toylike lighter bill as a legislative concept for the 2009 session and it was presented to the Joint Fire Service Legislative Committee.

- Congressional Fire Services Institute SFM Orr and Judy met with Oregon congressional delegation to discuss a ban on Toylike lighters. Judy staffed an exhibit on the National Mall sponsored by NASFM and USFA.
- Judy met with Development Director of Safe Kids USA and asked for support for the ban on Toylike lighters.
- American Burn Association 30 Judy and Carol will be attending and doing presentations and poster exhibit on Toylike lighters.

Presenting Effective Public Education Programs - Stephanie Stafford

OSFM is hosting a five-day course on Presenting Effective Public Education Programs presented by the National Fire Academy on July 7-11. The training will be held at the Department of Public Safety Standards & Training in Salem. The application is posted on the OSFM website (<http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/Training.shtml>). For questions contact Nicole Ohmart at (503) 373-1540, ext. 366, or email Nicole.ohmart@state.or.us.

New Business

Tari Glocar: Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) has both internal and external performance measures. Community Education’s external performance measure is the number of fires reported through the OSFM Oregon All Incident Reporting System that do not have a working smoke alarm or smoke alarm present. Community Education’s objective is to reduce the number of homes that have a fire that do not have a working smoke alarm or a smoke alarm present. The goal is to reduce residential fire deaths in Oregon. A new external goal for Community Education will be to measure the reduction in residential fire deaths in Oregon.

Community Education staff has put together their Policy Option Packages for the 09-11 biennium including:

- \$60,000 Smoke alarms for economically disadvantaged people in Oregon.
- \$75,000 to provide fire and life safety education to culturally diverse populations.
- \$80,000 to train health education teachers to implement elementary/middle school curriculums.

The OSFM Annual Report is due out the end of May.

Strategic Plan for OLST

Q: What topics issues arose in your community where you wished you had some more resources available or more information that you could have used to help deal with that issue this past year?

Q: What methods should we use to communicate our messages about these topic issues?

Topic Issues:	Methods:
Provide economically disadvantaged with smoke alarms through smoke alarm campaigns	Boys & Girls clubs, organizations with disadvantaged children, senior centers, Elks club, and Lions club. Partnering with community food banks, local service organizations such as Rotary, Kiwanis, Salvation Army and veterans affairs. More media grants. Union Gospel Mission. Comcast.net. Cultural Translator. Message on back of envelopes, inserts, grocery bags and pharmacy bags. Head Start programs.

Develop and deliver culturally diverse fire and life safety messages to non-English speaking communities in Oregon	Include a knowledgeable expert on target culture into LST, churches, YWCA, Hispanic newsletters, Russian newsletter and civic organizations. Partnering with community food banks, local service organizations such as Rotary, Lions, Kiwanis, Salvation Army and veterans affairs. More media grants. Union Gospel Mission. Comcast.net. Cultural Translator. Message on back of envelopes, inserts, grocery bags, pharmacy bags. Head Start.
Escaped debris burns have become a leading wildfire cause in recent years. These wildfires destroy homes and forest resources, making this a problem for both structural and wild land fire department.	Structural and wild land fire agencies could increase cooperation on backyard debris disposal days in the community. In areas where non-burning disposal is not available, expand safe burn barrel program. Agencies could provide links to keep Oregon Green web http://www.keeporegongreen.org/wildfire_prevention_tips.htm for safe debris burning tips.
RV dangers carbon monoxide deaths and fire deaths.	RV parks and RV resellers.

Next Meeting Date: May 15, 2008, 1:30-3:30 p.m., at OSFM in the Mt. Hood conference room.

Adjournment: 3:30 p.m.

NOTE: Members who cannot attend meetings in person are encouraged to contact Candice Clark at (503) 373-1540, ext. 266 or Candice.Clark@state.or.us to arrange participation in the meeting via tele-conference.

OLST ACTIVITY CALENDAR

May 2008		
May 15	Door-to-Door Smoke Alarm Campaign, Train-the-trainer	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., OSFM, Mt. Hood conference room
May 15	OLST meeting	1:30-3:30 p.m., at OSFM, Mt. Hood conference room
June 2008		
June 19	Multi-Family Housing Fire Reduction Program - A Train-the-Trainer Workshop	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., at OSFM, Mt. Hood conference room
June 19	OLST meeting	1:30-3:30 p.m., at OSFM, Mt. Hood conference room
July 2008		
July 17	Door-to-Door Smoke Alarm Campaign, Train-the-trainer	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., OSFM
July 17	OLST meeting	1:30-3:30 p.m., at OSFM, Mt. Hood conference room
August 2008		
August 21	Door-to-Door Smoke Alarm Campaign, Train-the-trainer	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., OSFM
August 21	OLST meeting	No meeting this month – fire season

September 2008		
September 18	Door-to-Door Smoke Alarm Campaign, Train-the-trainer	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., OSFM
September 18	OLST meeting	1:30-3:30 p.m., at OSFM, Mt. Hood conference room
October 2008		
October 16	Door-to-Door Smoke Alarm Campaign, Train-the-trainer	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., OSFM
October 16	OLST meeting	1:30-3:30 p.m., at OSFM, Mt. Hood conference room
October 15-17	OFSOA 2008 Annual Conference	Bend, OR For additional information contact: Bonita Johnson, at region5@ofsoa.org
November 2008		
November 20	Door-to-Door Smoke Alarm Campaign, Train-the-trainer	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., OSFM
November 20	OLST meeting	1:30-3:30 p.m., at OSFM, Mt. Hood conference room
December 2008		
December 18	Door-to-Door Smoke Alarm Campaign, Train-the-trainer	10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., OSFM
December 18	OLST meeting	No meeting this month – Happy Holidays