



# MJC / Regional Fire Training Center

## **RFTC ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### **ZOOM MEETING MINUTES**

November 28, 2022

Meeting began at 2:01 PM via Zoom

#### **I. Welcome – Introductions & Membership Roll-Call:**

RFTC Director, Ron Cripe, welcomed members in attendance: Erik Klevmyr (Stan. Co. Fire Warden's Office), Chris Parnell (Stan. Co. Fire Warden's Office), Mike Lunn (Stan. Co. Fire Warden's Office), Neil Gamez (Twain Harte Fire), Rick Mello (Escalon Fire), Rich Holback (FTECH Instructor), Louie Morua (EMS Instructor).

#### **II. RFTC Business, Building, and Grounds Report:**

##### a. EMS Program review by Director Ron Cripe

This Fall semester we welcomed a new full-time EMS Faculty member, Wendy McClendon, to teach EMS courses. She will be assisting in the recertification process for our EMR & EMT programs as well as run our CPR program. The course offerings for the Fall '22 & Spring '23 semester were reviewed. An early Summer EMR course was also discussed. Director Cripe informed the Committee that a Paramedic program is again being explored for our school. The curriculum has been developed, we are just working on funding and certification process.

##### b. FTECH Program review by Director Ron Cripe

The course offerings for the Fall '22 & Spring '23 semester were reviewed. The offering of FTECH 308 is being explored. This course is great for students that are coming out of the Fire Academy to assist them in career & promotion education in the Fire industry.

##### c. Fire Academy Program review by Director Ron Cripe

The progress of the current Fall '22 Fire Academy program was reviewed. Due to a low number of qualified applicants for the Spring '23 semester, we will not be offering the Fire Academy program in the Spring semester. Director Cripe reviewed the current FF1 certification examination protocol we are following for our former MJC Fire Academy graduates to assist them with their FF1 certification examinations. Due to the limitations in administrative capacity, the RFTC in not performing open FF1 examinations, but there are 6 other open-testing sites. Director Cripe shared that we are currently working on the SFT re-accreditation process for our site.

##### d. Business

**COVID-19 concerns- MJC & RFTC Sites:** Director Cripe shared that there have been no major COVID-19 outbreaks or concerns with our site or students. The RFTC and colleges are currently fully open with not COVID restrictions.

**Curriculum – Courses / pre-requisites / style of offering:** Director Cripe reviewed the current EMS & FTECH curriculum requirements. As new regulations and pre-requisites are required, they are put through the curriculum process to be approved. He also reviewed the required course offerings for MJC.



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e. Building

The new roof, classroom tables and chairs were reviewed as well as some minor repairs that still need to be done to the building.

f. Grounds

Director Cripe informed the committee that a plan for a new parking lot has been developed. This will bring many more needed parking spaces to our site. Director Cripe asked for feedback on the usage of the RFTC site by other non-fire & EMS agencies. Members of the committee all discussed and shared their feedback. It was all positive and many did relay that they would want to make sure that priority would go towards Fire Agency/EMS usage. Members also discussed their feedback and needs on current and additional training props for the RFTC.

g. Committee – Size / Representation categories

Director Cripe reviewed the current representation we have and asked the committee to forward any names of interest that they would like to see on the committee.

h. Social Media

Feedback was asked about having social media presence for our site/programs. Some members gave their ideas and feedback on having social media account(s).

### **III. Open Discussion**

Committee members discussed additional needs for future site usage, training, and what they would like to see offered in our programs.

### **IV. Next Meeting Date:**

Spring semester (TBD).

Meeting Adjourned at 3:28 PM