

SOUTH PLACER FIRE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Special Board Meeting Minutes  
August 17, 2022

The South Placer Fire District Board of Directors Special Meeting was called to order on Wednesday, August 17, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. by President, Gary Grenfell via both teleconference connection via Microsoft Team Meetings and in person meeting.

Present:

Gary Grenfell, President  
Dan Bajtos, Vice-President (via Teleconference)  
Sean Mullin, Clerk  
Chris Gibson, Director  
Terri Ryland, Director  
Mike Johnson, Director (via Teleconference)  
Ken Musso, Director

Absent:

None

Staff in Attendance:

Fire Chief, Mark Duerr (via Teleconference)  
Board Secretary, Kathy Medeiros  
Deputy Chief, Matt Feeley  
Division Chief, James Magnuson  
Division Chief, Jeff Ingolia  
Battalion Chief, Matt Van Voltinburg  
Captain Paramedic, Shawn Cline  
Captain, Justin Buathier  
Firefighter Paramedic, Kevin Cooney  
Firefighter Paramedic, Josh Christian  
Engineer, Kenneth Kolster

Public Comment: None

Closed Session Report: President Grenfell reported that a closed session meeting was held at 6:30 p.m. to discuss one anticipated exposure to litigation. No action was taken at this time, nothing to report.

Old Business:

- A. District Deployment Options: Staff recommends discussion and possible action to support the District's revised deployment model. Chief Duerr began that at the regular August board meeting there was discussion to revise the District's current deployment model. Since then, Chief Duerr explained that he has done additional research and reviewed multiple strategies. Currently the District has six stations with five in service. With the failure of the benefit assessment, the District has a difficult decision to make. Chief Duerr offered the following options: 1) maintain current staffing, 2) staff with only two members at Station 19 and 20, 3) rolling brown outs at a station, 4) close one station. Option 4 would have two models: operate from Station 16,17,18, and 20 or operate from

Stations 15, 18, 19, 20. Chief Duerr recommended to the Board to utilize option 4 and close Stations 19 and 15. He continued that travel time from Station 17 to Station 19 area are within 2 to 3 minutes. The Battalion Chief would move to Station 17 and Station 20 would increase staffing by one – thereby no longer cross staffing that station. A relief pool would be created that would save the District \$330,000 from that one position. This deployment model would save the District \$1.1 million in salaries and wages. Director Ryland inquired whether there was a map available that isolated fires in the District. Chief Duerr explained that the software program could not isolate that information from the response maps but that a response from Station 20 would be cross staffed to ensure an engine is available should a wildland fire occur in that area. He reminded the Board that mutual aid need be utilized only when beneficial to both parties and that the District cannot depend on our partnering agencies. Chief Duerr explained that he has worked with administration and labor to determine the best option for the District. Firefighter Christian added that labor was in full support of the Chief's deployment recommendations. Director Musso made a motion to approve and accept the Chief's recommendation to close Station 15 and Station 19 and implement the revised deployment plan as presented as soon as possible. Director Gibson made a second to the motion.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Grenfell, Gibson, Johnson, Bajtos, Mullin, Ryland, Musso Noes: None Abstain: None  
Absent: None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathy Medeiros". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kathy Medeiros  
Board Secretary