

**UNION CENTER FIRE COMPANY**  
**Joint Board and Fire Officers Meeting**

October 27, 2011

**PRESENT:** M. Belensky, W. Miga, B. Dieffenbacher, K. Miga, M. Henry, A. Green, M. Belensky, C. Hoyt, J. VanKuren, D. Hill

**NOT PRESENT:** A. Silvestri

**CALLED TO ORDER:** 19:10

Discussion regarding development of officers for empty lieutenant slots. Chris would like to see the lieutenants' slots filled with people who aren't necessarily ready yet, but who can be worked with and brought up to speed. John is concerned about who is actually ready and has the desire. Chris believes that there is no difference between being a firefighter ending up in the officer's seat on a call versus being a lieutenant on March 1<sup>st</sup>. John is concerned about the length of the process of developing officers and how people often lose interest and drift away. Dennis suggested that we ask the membership for ideas to make hanging around the station more appealing.

Tasks yet to be completed by Besty:

- Update and print all BOGs with **(updated) air monitoring, (new) MayDay**, rehab trailer response polices.
- Develop social networking policy.
- EMS gear issue and Serowiks carrying theirs.
- EMS – no response issue/ Over 70%.
- NIMS cast annual report.
- **Approve Engine 98 policy.**
- ID tags – all members in compliance.
- Update on ISO.
- Update on FEMA.
- **State reports not turned in for 6 months.**

Discussion regarding whether we should continue to have as many officer positions as we do. Should some positions be eliminated while the membership number is down? No decision was made, but the general consensus among the officers was that they did not want to eliminate any positions.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 21:45

**NEXT MEETING:** FRIDAY, 11/18/2011 at 19:00.

Respectfully submitted by **Karen S. Miga**