



Chatham County PIO Association Agenda

August 16, 2012

- I. Welcome from our Chairman and our host agency, Savannah-Chatham Metro Police Public Affairs
- II. Tax ID Number and where we go from here
 - a. Dues - \$15 per person, \$50 per agency
- III. MOA, sign and return
- IV. EM PIOs Mailing List
 - a. Individuals can sign up for the EM PIOs list here:
http://chathamemergency.org/mailman/listinfo/em_pios_chathamemergency.org
(you will have to enter your email address and create a password)
 - b. To post a message to all the list members, send an email to
em_pios@chathamemergency.org
- V. EOC Staff training – October
- VI. JIC Exercise in December
- VII. Tools of the Trade
- VIII. Next Meeting will be October 18th
 - a. Host?
 - b. Speaker Ideas
- IX. Open Floor



Chatham County PIO Association meeting

June 14, 2012

New Design of PIO Group - the Bylaws were adopted.

- a. Chair – Pete Nichols
 - b. Vice Chair- Kelly Harley
 - c. Secretary- Gena Sullivan
 - d. Treasurer – Catherine Neal
 - e. Dues \$15.00 per person, \$ 50 per agency – they will be collected at the next meeting. As soon as we establish a bank account, we will distribute that information so you know who to make the check out to. Kelly will also create an invoice. Dues will be used for a variety of things to include the Spring Retreat and our annual holiday party.
- II. EM PIOs Mailing List- Get on it!!!
- a. Individuals can sign up for the EM PIOs list here:
http://chathamemergency.org/mailman/listinfo/em_pios_chathamemergency.org
(you will have to enter your email address and create a password)
 - b. To post a message to all the list members, send an email to
em_pios@chathamemergency.org
- III. PIO Class Interest?- Pooler fire would like a PIO class and are asking other agencies.
- IV. JIC Exercise during HURREX – do we want to design another exercise? It was decided among the group that the exercise was a success and we would like to have another and invite the media to add realism. Steve Hart from Hunter also suggested that we offer training within

our group. For example, if one PIO is good at Photoshop, he or she can hold training for PIOs in the group.

- a. Next Meeting- SCMPD-August 16, in the squad room.
 - b. Do we want to pick a specific day to have meeting? We will try the 3rd Thursday of each month if it doesn't conflict with Savannah City Council.
 - c. Bi-monthly was the vote
- V. Meeting had PIO's in attendance from: CAT, CEMA, SCMPD, Pooler fire, HAAF, St Joes, MUMC, Ft. Stewart.



Chatham County PIO Association Agenda

April 12, 2012

- I. Proposed Changes to the CCPIOA – Responses from Online Survey
- II. Select Executive Committee
- III. Select Subcommittees and Chairs
- IV. Dues
- V. EM PIOs Mailing List
 - a. Individuals can sign up for the EM PIOs list here:
http://chathamemergency.org/mailman/listinfo/em_pios_chathamemergency.org
(you will have to enter your email address and create a password)
 - b. To post a message to all the list members, send an email to
em_pios@chathamemergency.org
- VI. Hurricane Conference – May 1st, International Trade & Convention Center, \$50, register online
- VII. HURREX 2012 – JIC – Wed. May 16 – Need participants
- VIII. Next Meeting – Host?
- IX. Open Floor



Chatham County PIO Association Minutes

February 2, 2012

I. Proposed Changes to the CCPIOA – Presentation & Online Survey

The current CCPIOA is exploring ways to move the organization forward and play a more active role in our community. A group in Mesa County, CO has a very good foundation that can we mirror our group after. We will consider having an Executive Board, subcommittees, a Spring Retreat, a Christmas in July party, and monthly dues. Most everyone in attendance was on board with the dues as well as electing an executive board. An online survey will be sent out to get feedback from everyone regarding moving in this direction. The goal is to meet in two months and bring additional ideas and implement some of the changes. Whatever changes that will be made can be a slow transition and we can tailor the group to meet our needs.

Here are some of the ideas for the reorganization:

Host agency – an agency will host a meeting at their office/building and we will rotate. This will allow the host agency to explain what they do and what they have going on.

Bylaws – will have bylaws for the group to follow.

MOA – Memorandum of Agreement that each participating PIO's director/supervisor will sign. This is to ensure, if needed and if available, the PIO can help in an emergency or incident.

PIO Tiers – PIOs will be divided into tiers. For example, tier one PIOs are your first responder PIOs (police, fire), tier two can be military and hospitals, and tier three PIOs can be schools and others not part of the first responders. (Tiers can be modified)

Spring Retreat – PIOs can host a one day Spring Retreat where speakers are brought in and it's a day for learning.

Committees – Joint Information Center (JIC), Non-profit, Spring Retreat, Media Council, other committees as necessary

Website/Facebook/Email group – internal to only our group. It was suggested we have our own online discussion board where we could post ideas and issues.

Meetings – we discussed how often we should meet. It was discussed that monthly may be too much and bi-monthly may be better.

Dues – everyone seemed ok with dues in the 50 dollar range. Money would go to pay for the Spring Retreat and the Christmas in July party.

II. Recovery Stabilization Strategy

This is for ESF 15 and the steps that will need to be taken following a hurricane. CEMA has identified a timeline for public information in regards to recovery. PIOs received a copy to look over and offer any suggestions.

III. Hurricane Conference – May 1st, International Trade & Convention Center, \$50, register online

IV. HURREX 2012 – JIC – Wed. May 16

HURREX 2012 is a statewide full scale hurricane exercise spanning over three days. Numerous agencies will be participating and exercising various components of response and recovery. The Joint Information Center (JIC) will be exercised most likely on May 16. PIOs can mark their calendars if they would like to participate and help staff the JIC. This will be great practice and training.

V. EOC Staff Training – 2/8, 3/14, 4/11, 6/13

Please sign up if you haven't attended an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) training before. It's great to familiarize yourself with the EOC and your role if you ever work in the EOC.

VI. Newsletter Submissions

CEMA Signal is a quarterly newsletter that is distributed to local, regional and state partners. It highlights all of the happenings in Chatham County. CEMA encourages input from our partners. If you have an article you would like to see published, or a meeting or special event, please submit your ideas to Kelly Foster at klfoster@chathamcounty.org.

VII. Open Floor