

Region 11–Dale Specken–Regional Report of June 12, 2009

Meeting took place on June 9, 2009 with 75 in attendance. Mike Briese spoke on the Scott County Training Center located in Jordan. The facility has a burn building, tactical tower, pumping stations, classrooms and they will have a driving course and other training. The site is available for rent.

Dave Esinger gave a legislative update on the fire safety account and the fire fighter licensing bill. He also spoke about the pension bill that Nyle sent out and will pass it on to the regional reps.

Brent Aretz stated there will be by-law changes and voting at the VFBA meeting at the MSFDA conference. This will be Brent's last term as the rep and he is looking for a replacement.

Jon Nisja was at the meeting and shared that the Fire Marshal Division is currently looking at hiring 4-5 people. This is fire safety account money being used to hire these positions. John also showed members the on-line MFIRS and what it can do.

Dan Klein reported that the Cert Board is doing several promotion exams. June will be the last time that they will be doing Firefighter 1 with awareness level HazMat.

Rick Lasky will be coming to Waconia on August 29, 2009. He will be doing his management and Pride and Ownership training. Cost is \$25.00 Registration is on the website. This will be open to all regions and we can seat up to 400 people.

Next meeting is September 8, 2009 at the Edina Fire Department.