

Lane County Fire Defense Board
Lane Fire Authority

August 21, 2025

Call to order: 1300 by L. Wooldridge

Approval of Minutes/Financials: 1st L. Dragt 2nd D. Borland **Unanimous**

CLCC: Furniture and remodel work begins on September 8th and will last about 5 weeks. 12 going to backgrounds for positions with a goal of meeting full staffing by December.

OSFM: Just quick recap and thank you information. Kristina will be on vacation for a week-use OERS if you have a fire marshal need.

LCSO: Has been able to use the Genesis platform recently for a couple fires and the process was smooth.

Emergency Management: Preparedness projects coming along. Watch for requests and emails on the subject.

ODF: Reminder we have the type 1 airship in Creswell. Staffing is well. Fire season quick recap for mid and late season.

Lifeflight: No report.

Region 5 & LCC Advisory: Association met and quick review of fire officer and development classes happening. Looking at others towards the later part of the year with eyes on Incident Safety Officer and event Health and Safety Officer course. Housekeeping work happening with DPSST and state level work to clean up and streamline certifications.

Important noted dates:

Winter Fire School - February 21-22 - DPSST

Northwest Leadership Seminar - March 4-6 - Portland

WFCA Ignite Symposium - March 11-13 - Las Vegas

OFCA Spring Conference - May 13-15 - Sunriver - Golf May 12

Lane ESD Pathways Program: None provided.

Radio Group: See presentation provided under new business.

Wildland: Trailers and ready to go. Preparation for second heat push coming through our area. Quick recap of the new training process for FDB for deployment.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Radio Strategic Plan Presentation: Stephanie provided a presentation on future planning for the radio system and strategic planning. That presentation is available upon request if someone missed it and would like to see the information. Presentation included establishing goals for the future progression and timelines.

Chief Caven provided a short update on the Ambulance/ASA meeting. The group is holding a stakeholder meeting held following our October Fire Defense Board meeting at South Lane Fire. Watch for updates on this topic.

Brief discussion on Task Force 1 - deployment including how ESF participates and deploys in the process. Request to provide some specific direction manually at times to ensure a response we want/need.

Additional discussion regarding on going FDB projects. This includes response to Lane County, non-protected lands. Discussion about short term solutions to finish 2025 Fire Season and then further evaluate longer options. Group discussed the prescribed burning process and steps to try and improve upon open communication with the public about the purposes around the burning and requirements.

Information sharing was completed by parties present in the room or online.

Adjourned at 1400 hrs.

Next meeting is September 18th at Mohawk Valley Fire.