



# METROPLEX FIRE SAFETY EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION JANUARY 17, 2008 MEETING MINUTES

The business meeting was officially called to order at 10:34 at the Bob Phelps Fire Administration Building in Farmers Branch. The following members and guests were present:

Tim Dedear, Farmers Branch Fire Department; Wendi Kimpton, Farmers Branch Fire Department; Vernon Gilmore, Euless Fire Department; Peggy Harrell, Plano Fire and Rescue; Rick Nash, Bedford Fire Department; Tim Oates, Coppell Fire Department; Steve Papagno, North Richland Hills Fire Department; Jamie Perkins, Carrollton Fire Department; Wesley Caskey, Richardson Fire Department; Theresa Level, Richardson Fire Department; James Malone, Irving Fire Department; Mike Harris, Irving Fire Department; Summer Wilhelm, City of Lewisville - Guest Speaker

The minutes of the last two meetings were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was given. The balance as of January 17 was \$1,192.79.

Old business discussed

- Digital camera acquisition

New business and the resource exchange included the following:

- Fire and Life Safety Educator of the Year Award – applications were received and are currently being judged
- Future meetings were discussed
  - May – Disasters Display at the Dallas Museum of Science and History
  - July – Vendor Display and Networking
  - September –
  - November – Officer elections
- Current vacancies on the board
  - Secretary
  - Treasurer
- CFA Classes – Current and upcoming
- Project Linus – Blankets available
- Upcoming Conferences on Fire and Life Safety
  - Mini Conference in Oklahoma
  - NFPA World Safety Conference
  - Fire and Life Safety Conference in South Carolina
- Peggy Harrell discussed Sam's and Wal-mart doing away with the safe neighborhood grant

A motion was made at 11:05 a.m. to adjourn the business portion of the meeting and open the floor to the speaker. Summer Wilhelm with the City of Lewisville was present to discuss her involvement with the Regional Public Education Subcommittee and the Phase II Disaster Education Campaign.