

**Custer County Fire Advisory Board Minutes
Wednesday, November 28, 2018**

1) Roll Call

Administrative Assistant	Terri C
Argyle	David M, Casey B
Buffalo Gap	
Commissioner	Jim L.
Custer	Bill B, Joel B, Matt S.
Custer State Park	
Dewey	
Emergency Management	Mike C
Fairburn	Klinton R.
Folsom	Scott E, Charles M., David U., Dalton N., Clay S., Richard R., Jacob R., Melanie R., Deana F., Terrance F., Mark S., Marion M.
Battle Creek	Dave L.,
Highlands	Luke C., Chris M.
Pringle	Bob M. Sr.
State Wild Land Fire	
SD State Fire	Quentin C.
Pennington County Fire Dept	Jerome H
US Forest Service	

2) Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Klinton R and seconded by Joel B to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

3) Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Luke C and seconded by Klinton R to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2018 meeting. Motion carried.

4) Old Business

A) Text paging – Matt S. has met with the Sheriff’s Office and sent out a sheet identifying the abbreviations for text paging. If anyone has issues, please let Matt know.

B) Auto Aid – There are issues with the CAD software working with the map system. The Custer County Commission has assigned funds to purchase a new operating system for the Sheriff and Dispatch Offices that will hopefully correct the problem.

5) New Business

A) Sheriff Office Grant Assistance – Matt S. stated the Sheriff’s Office has an employee that has experience in writing grants and has offered to allow her to help the fire departments write grants if needed. Bill B. noted that Mike C. has a lot of experience with grant writing and confirmed with Mike

that he would be willing to help with any grant writing. Mike C. stated the HLSA grants are now available to Fire Departments and the departments can apply January 1, 2019 through February 17, 2019.

B) Supplemental Funding – The Custer County Commission has assigned \$500,000 from excess funds to the Fire Advisory Board. Discussion was held on how to proceed with determining the best way to allocate these funds. Motion was made by Joel B. and seconded by Klinton R. to have all departments submit a three to five year plan by the next Fire Advisory Board meeting in January, 2019. Motion carried.

C) Reimbursement for liability insurance – Terri C. stated there are funds available to reimburse departments for their truck liability insurance. Departments will need to submit a copy of their liability insurance bill along with proof of payment to Terri by December 20, 2018, in order to receive the reimbursement this year.

6) Public Comment - none

7) Announcements

- Matt S. will draft a letter to the Custer County Commission to thank them for the assignment of funds to the Fire Advisory Board.
- Joel B. spoke about the impact of the recent fire in Sturgis and encouraged departments to consider training for all members. Custer Fire Department also has some old gear that is available to any fire department. Contact Joel if your department would be interested.
- There will be a benefit at the Rapid City Rush hockey game on Saturday, December 1, 2018 for fire fighter David Fischer who died in a recent fire.
- Argyle Fire Department has a 1974 utility van they are looking to sell or possibly give to another department.
- The ambulance district is trying to get a first responder class scheduled for Argyle. If anyone is interested, please let Argyle know.
- Matt S. reminded everyone that elections will be held at the next Fire Advisory Board meeting in January, 2019.

8) Adjournment

Motion was made by Joel B. and seconded by Bob M. Sr. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 10, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. – Location: Custer Fire Department with Custer hosting.

Matt Spring, President

**Respectfully submitted,
Terri Cornelison, Administrative Assistant**