

Oregon Urban Search and Rescue
January 10, 2008
Special Meeting – via conference call
January 10, 2008 1:30 – 2:30

Present: Todd Anderson, Oregon Sheriff's Association; Dave Phillips, President; Ben Meigs, Past President and proxy for John McDowell north representative; Tina Toney, Program Coordinator; Don Schallberger, Training Chair.

Recommendation by the Training Committee:

On December 10, the Training Committee submitted a letter of recommendation for the Governance Board's approval for the \$60,000 remaining allocated for training.

Option 1

Medical Specialist class

- Minimum of 20 Students
- Course Cost between \$30 – \$38,000
- Medical cache estimated \$10,000
- Overtime and Backfill \$1,000 per student

Option 2

Medical Specialist Class and Structural Collapse Technician Class (SCT)

- No overtime and backfill recovery
- Any remaining funds will go to ICSSCI and or TFL class

Note: \$30,000 through DPSST for training expenses is available, but the committee would like to hold these expenses in reserve.

Discussion:

Ben Meigs acting as proxy for John McDowell made the recommendation to hold on the Medical Specialist class and the recommendation was to provide an SCT Train the Trainer class.

Although the Medical Specialist class is of great importance, the immediate need is on getting departments able to deploy. In the south region, Albany and Corvallis have been working hard on getting their team through training, but what is needed for them and other departments is SCT class. Currently there is no agency that is hosting a class in the near future. The SCT class with a Train-the-Trainer will be our first step in sustainability in training.

Ben by proxy made the motion to provide a Structural Collapse Class with the coordination of a Train-the-trainer possibly being included. The motion was seconded by Ben, and **Motion approved unanimously.**

Action Items:

Don will contact Dan Raczynski for information on bringing in the SCT and train-the-trainer class and language needed for the RFP.

Tina will research what each department has obligated for personnel and survey how many people each department will be able to send to an SCT class, plus if they have any personnel qualified for the Medical Specialist class.