LCERT Board Meeting- June 1, 2011 Minutes

Attendees at Laura Albert's on Daniel Island

Dave Dawson, Tom Crosby, Jim Tarter, Art George, Barbara Eggers-Parker, Lydia Freilich, Jeane Sullivan, Joe Coates, Mike Volosic (Berkeley County)

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. The minutes of the annual meeting were unanimously approved.

Motion: Tom Crosby Second: Dave Dawson

Old Business:

The cost of the Annual meeting was \$800, since we fed the JI fire fighters, do not use \$200 from JI towards the \$800 cost.

Motion: Jim Tarter Second: Tom Crosby Approval: Unanimous

The turnout at the JI Hurricane Expo at Lowes was excellent. We had a good turnout and the mayor also showed up (as a CERT member). Next year we plan to have this event at Publix (possibly).

The covers for our 6 foot tables which consists of Lowcountry CERT and the logo can be supplied by ProPac (action: Jim). Do not include county names on covers.

Motion: Art George Second: Lydia Freilich Approval: Unanimous

New Business:

Hurricane season has begun. We are reminded to review the "Zombie Report" plan for disasters.

There will be a Hurricane EXPO at Lowes in North Charleston on July 30th from 11-3 pm (Saturday). We are expecting good attendance from local emergency organizations.

We will be vendors and have a booth at Home Depot in North Charleston on June 25th, Saturday from 11-3 pm.

The Daniel Island members are planning an event for the island and will be circulating information.

We are reminded TO CHECK ALL OUR BACKPACKS for up to date contents and to be certain we have everything we need.

Jim Tarter reported that Charleston County organized and completed a CERT class for Dorchester County (7 graduates).

Jim also mentioned the application for a SLED grant to be used by the county for mobile training (possibly).

There will be a CERT class offered in August 2011.

Mike Volosic from BC announced that he and Tom Smith have started having meetings in BC monthly. 10 people (EM and fire folks) are attending regularly. There are 30-35 people involved so far and close to 50 people have expressed interest in the group. Mike said it is a slow go and they are suffering "growing pains" and are trying to get donations.

Jim Tarter mentioned the emergence of social media and the impact on emergency management. This is a good way to get the word out about response needed and hopefully to get more people ready in the low country for a disaster. We need to be ready.

Committee Reports:

No reports at this time but we are reminded to please get our volunteer hours and CE hours turned in to the Membership Committee for the second quarter which ends in June. Jim Tarter will send out a reminder to the general membership about this.

Tom Crosby reported that the Events Committee is up to date with all events.

The next board meeting is scheduled for August 17th, Wednesday from 6-8 pm. (Location to be decided).

The meeting was adjourned at 7 pm.

Barbara Eggers-Parker Secretary