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**February 26, 2019**

**To: Honorable LOCSD Board of Directors**

**From: George Huang, Battalion Chief**

**Subject: Agenda Item 9A – March 7, 2019 Board Meeting  
District /CAL FIRE Chief Report for February 2019**

**EMERGENCY ACTIVITY**

1. Station 15 - South Bay responded to 119 calls between January 24-February 26, including 72 Medical Aids and 9 Traffic Collisions; 4 incidents were reported as Fire, 5 as Hazardous; 14 as Public Service Assists; and 6 false alarms.

Company 15 was called to cover the station or respond to emergencies 9 times between January 24-February 26.

**ADMINISTRATION**

2. In February, 2019, Station 15 - South Bay welcomed new Battalion Chief George Huang to Los Osos. Chief Huang began his fire service career in 2002 working as a seasonal firefighter for San Luis Obispo then moving on as a helitack firefighter for Santa Clara County FPD. In 2008 he promoted to Fire Apparatus Engineer in San Luis Obispo, assigned to Creston Station 50. In 2011 he promoted to Fire Captain at Paso Robles Station 30. In 2013 he transferred to the Training Bureau where he is currently the Battalion Chief for both CAL FIRE and SLO County Fire.
3. On February 13, 2019, Reserve Firefighter Maxwell Palmer resigned after two years of service to the Los Osos community. Max accepted a position with Ventura City Fire as a Firefighter – Paramedic. Max was a fabulous addition to our department and we are excited for his next chapter.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

4. On February 28, 2019, we said goodbye to Office Manager Harmony Brown after 6 years of service, so she could pursue opportunities closer to home and family in south county. Harmony said working here was “an awesome experience and (she) truly enjoyed the friendships (she) developed.” The Station 15 – South Bay Fire Staff considered Harmony to be a “cool” den mother and appreciated her contributions and dedication to the fire station. We will miss Harmony and hope continued success for her and her family.

## **SPECIAL PROGRAMS/PROJECTS**

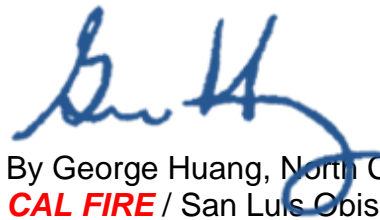
5. On February 2, 2019, Station 15 – South Bay Fire hosted a local 4-year old boy, along with his family and friends, to celebrate his birthday. This boy was the winner of the Stamp Station Game at our Annual Fire Safety Fair. The children enjoyed pizza, games and a tour of the fire station and fire engines. Each child was sent home with a fire hat and stickers.
6. On February 14, 2019, Local Citizen Tom Wright installed a public library box in front of Station 15. On behalf of everyone here at Station 15 – South Bay, we’d like to say “thank you!” to Tom. It’s a great art piece and we really enjoy having it out front for the community to enjoy!
7. On February 26, 2019, Station 15 – South Bay Fire Station hosted a farewell luncheon, catered by Noi’s Little Thai Takeout, for Harmony Brown. Coworkers and friends from CAL FIRE Headquarters, LOCSD, and Station 15 were in attendance.
8. On February 26, 2019, All Star Fire Equipment met with Station 15 Staff to in-service the new self-contained breathing apparatus fleet. During this meeting, they examine each unit to ensure that all parts and components are operating as designed.

## **TRAINING**

9. In early February, three prospective Station 15 - South Bay Fire Station Reserve Firefighter candidates completed the necessary steps to become employees of the LOCSD. We are proud to welcome Reserve Firefighters Jonathan Huffman, Kelby Jecker and Matthew Westbrook. Reserve candidate Sean Hanlon is completing his training at the Academy and should be done by May 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

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