



Matt Perez, State Fire Marshal

Bruce Rauner, Governor

Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal

FIRE ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday June 7th, 2016

Illinois Fire Service Institute

11 Gerty Dr., Champaign IL, 61820

Minutes:

Attendees:

Joe Holomy, FAC Chairman

Brett Kunkel, IL Assoc. of Fire Prot. District

Mike Dillion, IL Assoc. of Fire Prot. District

Brian Thompson, IL Society of Fire Instructors

Les Albert, OSFM

Jim Dominick, Fire Chiefs Assoc.IL

Roger Stancliff, Volunteer Firefighters

John Swan, IL Firefighter Assoc.

R.P. Mortenson, Illinois Fire Service Inst.

Pat Devaney, Associated Firefighter of IL

Katherine Nunes, OSFM

Mitzi Woodson, OSFM

Kruppe, State Farm Insurance

Kent Tomblin, OSFM

Shawn Connors, Rockford FD

Cheri Breneman, IL Assoc. of Fire Prot. District

Greg Knoll, IL Professional Fire Assc.

Mike Toika, Illinois Fire Inspectors Assc.

Chris Ware, Waynesville Fire Prot. District

John Christian, Fire Chiefs Assoc.IL

Jim Grady, Fire Chiefs Assoc.IL

Mike Mavrogeorge, Fire Chiefs Assoc.IL

Nick Steker, Franklin Park FD

Matt Perez, Fire Marshal

Ronny Wickenhauser, OSFM

David De Vries, Fire Protection Engineer Roger

Greg May, OSFM

I. Call to Order

- a. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Holomy at 1:00 P.M.

II. Roll call

- a. Roll was taken and a quorum was established.

III. Vote to Approve the Previous Minutes

- a. A motion was made P. Devaney and seconded by J. Swan to approve the minutes for the meeting in March. A voice vote was held and motion passed.

IV. Old Business:

- a. Update on Chief Fire Officer SCAC- J. Dominick gave an update and recommendations for an 11-person stand-alone committee for chief fire officer course evaluation. Questions and discussion took place. Motion by P. Devaney and second by G. Knoll to create a stand-alone committee for Chief Fire Officer course evaluation. Motion Passed.
- b. Legislative Update- Marshal Perez & K. Nunes updated on the committee on SB3304 makes changes to the Fire Protection Training Act. Marshal Perez informed the committee that the Small Equipment Grant Program has \$2.2 Million to award. Approximately 430 applied and 100 grants will be awarded. There were 26 department that applied for gear washes and 33 departments for dryers. This year budget is \$34.5 million that would give the ability to add positions in the OSFM. Items that were not funded in last year's budget were given high priority for this year's budget.
- c. Community Risk Reduction Update- M. Toika gave an update on the program and talked about plans on moving the program forward within Illinois. This program is all grant funded. Discussion and questions took place.
- d. Other Old Business: None.

V. New Business:

- a. Part 100 Rules Update- Marshal Perez gave an update related to updating the Life Safety Code from 2000 NFPA 101 to 2015 NFPA 101. Discussion and question took place. Motion made by R. Kropp and second by D. De Vries to draft a letter of support from FAC. Motion passed.
- b. Certification-Continuing Education- Marshal Perez stated that he has been getting a number of calls about the continuing education requirement of certifications. The SCAC committee made the recommendation of the hours that are needed in voting on the new standards in 2015. Chris Fioretto from Cortland Fire Department and J. Swan discussed their concerns with the current number of hours and format of continuing education requirements for certifications. It was noted that further clarification about requirements might assist departments. Discussion took place. The topic will be discussed further at the next meeting.
- c. This ABLE Veteran Program- Item was moved to the beginning of the meeting to accommodate the visiting presenter with no objection. Guest speaker was Behesha Doan from This ABLE Veteran Program and also the owner/trainer of Extreme K-9. She currently trains service dogs to assist veterans with PTSD. She presented her current program for veterans with PTSD and showed great excitement for developing a similar program for the fire service. Discussion took place.
- d. National Firefighter Cancer Support Networks Awareness Class- C. Wehrli was unable to attend.
- e. Any other New Business: None

VI. Public Comments:

- a. No public comments

VII. Adjournment

- a. A motion to adjourn by G. Knoll and seconded by J. Swan. Meeting adjourned at 2:25 P.M.