

COMMISSION MEETING

WORK SESSION

February 4, 2015

10:00 AM Central

Embassy Suites,

1200 Conference Center Boulevard,

Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 10:06 by Chairman Finucane, roll call was taken, Those present were Biggs, Finucane, Kerley, McCormack, Naifeh, Specht, Sorge, Vance and Hawks, Not present Slay and McPeak.

Those present at the work session were:

Jeff Elliott, David Dorris, Ronnie Goss, Johnny Stokes, Troy Maney, Brad Goss, Matt Hickey, James Jennings, Russell Peterson, Mark Chasteen, Mark Becker, Marcus Harney, Jim Whaley, Ronald Benson, Terry Watts, Farris Belecher, Chris Holmes, Daniel Snyder.

1. Reciprocity Rule Draft – Joseph Underwood – move to a draft for the next meeting
2. Relocation of Commission Office – Director Fox – a discussion was held on the benefits of moving the commission offices to TFACA with the following conditions:

Drawing floor-plan verses current sq.ft

Security

Doors

Signage

Ensure separation between TFACA and the commission.

Ensure support for commission (staffing) from Deputy Commissioner West.

Motion by Biggs second Vance to support the move with the conditions above being met.

All members present voting yes, Motion passed.

3. Testing Results – Chairman Finucane – moved to next meeting

4. Set Time, Date and Location of Next Meeting

Next meeting will be April 29th @ Gatlinburg with the work session at 9:00 and the business meeting at 1:00 pm Eastern time.

5. Dewey Woody from TEMA gave a report on the Training Summit, Training Package to be submitted for approval at April Meeting.

Meeting recessed at 12:07 until 12:30 for the business meeting

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Business Meeting
Minutes
12:30 PM

Opened with prayer and pledge of allegiance

Announcements;

Special Recognition: Chris Holmes- Cookeville- Certificate of Recognition for Achievement of FO4
Brian Biggs- Ashland City- Certificate of Recognition for Fire Investigator
Steve Cross- Columbia- Certificate of Recognition for Fire Investigator

Director called roll. Commission members in attendance were Brian Biggs, Darryl Kerley, Mark Finucane, Thomas McCormack, Michael Naifeh, Michael Slay, Matthew Sorge, Charlie Vance and Stephanie Specht . Non-Voting Roger Hawks was present.

- Motion to approve 12/2014 minutes by Naifeh and seconded by McCormack, Motion carried.

Guests present:

Jeff Elliott	TN Fire Services and Codes Academy
David Dorris	Jackson
Ronnie Gross	Bradley County
Johnny Stokes	Bradley County
Troy Maney	Bradley County
Brad Goss	Harriman
Matt Hickey	Harriman
Randy Ellis	Clarksville
James Jennings	Franklin
Russell Peterson	Brentwood
Mark Chasteen	Almaville
Mark Bricker	Almaville
Marcus Harney	LaVergne
Jim Whaley	Alcoa
Ronald Benson	Shelby
Terry Watts	Shelby
Ferris Belcher	Smyrna
Chris Holmes	Cookeville
Daniel Snyder	Cookeville

Director Fox's Report:

There are 24 people who have applied for the Coordinator position. Determination will be in 30 days to make a decision for Coordinator.

I went to Pro-board conference in January. This is a financial status report for Pro-board. Pro-board has been self-sufficient for 33 yrs. They are a 501C3 organization. Last year they took in \$742,000, paid out \$616,000, and have \$867,000 in their reserve balance.

They have a new online application process that can be a pilot for our online process as well starting this spring. The benefits are that you can update your application and edit also in one place.

IAFF has returned to Pro-board for recognition of its HAZMAT awareness and operations program. Free to members.

South Carolina is accredited through Pro-board.

NFPA is working on accreditation of its Inspector's program.

Update on standards:

- NFPA 1035-20/20, revision in the year of 2020 with a higher focus on Community Risk Reduction

- NFPA 1072-2016, will put 472- HAZMAT Operations Awareness & Technician in normal JPR.

- NFPA 1006- Specialty- Awareness Operations Technician with 3 levels plus core

- NFPA 1071- Emergency Vehicle Technician I, II, III (online)

- NFPA 1091- Traffic Control Instant Managing Personnel Standards (2015)

- NFPA 1037- Fire Marshall- Core –Mission Specific

Fire Ground Operations Practice based on current UL testing Recertification on various levels through retesting, hours, and fees by grandfathering until 2020 then requiring 5yr. Recertification/Standard changes.

Workshops:

Innovative Concepts Certification Programs- manage databases-(Alaska uses simulation in a testing environment

Pearson VUE- Worldwide Testing Agency--online testing and badging at State level for Badging Credentialing for mutual aid incidences across state, county and international lines for placement into incidence - app. on mobile- test is \$60 pp.

PTS-\$18 per test

IFSTA- free sign up for instructors online

Jones & Bartlett- creating curriculum online for testing also.

Big Buzz Word for Training in Fire-

BLENDED- online training with skills on site

0227- Sunset Bill extends commission on firefighting personnel standards & education until June 30, 2019.

IFSAC Conference in April in Birmingham. AL.-Director Fox and Coordinator Cross will be attending. Accreditation for Fire Officer IV, Fire Investigator, and Fire Inspector I was granted.

Slot secured in Smoky Mountains on Sat. to do a presentation on Commission Rules and Regulations and Acadis.

Test data comparison for Jan. 2014- Jan. 2015 is up 42% on testing.

Old Business

Consideration to approve courses.

Almaville- Recruit Training Program 280 hrs. represented by Lt. Mark Chasteen and Chief Mark Bricker
Recommendation to provide standards for correlation to class

- Motion by Commissioner Specht to approve curriculum upon submission of correlations, seconded by Commissioner Naifeh. Motion carried.

Status on Proposed Rule Changes- Underwood

Forwarded to Commissioner, AG Office, and Governor prior to filing with Secretary of State.

New Business

Reciprocity Report- Charles Chambers is processing.

51 people received reciprocity since the last meeting

Fire Instructor III- Nash. Does not have Fire Instructor III nor test for it but we have the level of certification in the rules.

Consideration to approve course:

Clarksville New Hire Training Program- Randy Ellis

Approval with submittal of search/rescue standards for correlation for Firefighter I (NFPA101)

- Motion by Commissioner Sorge to approve curriculum upon submission of correlations, seconded by Commissioner Specht. Motion carried.

Jackson Recruit Training Program-

- Motion by Commissioner McCormack to approve curriculum upon submission of correlations, seconded by Commissioner Sorge. Motion carried.

Bradley County New Hire Training Program-

- Approval upon resubmission with correction of weeks for program and standards for correlation broken down to each section
- Motion by Commissioner Biggs to approve curriculum upon submission of correlations, seconded by Commissioner Sorge. Motion carried.

TFACA Courses- Jeff Elliot

360 Vehicle Inspection, Driver Operator, Driver Operator Simulator, Fire Chiefs-Challenging, Level II Administrative, and Level III Temporary Issues

- Motion by Commissioner Biggs to approve curriculum upon submission of correlations, seconded by Commissioner Sorge. Motion carried.

Consideration of 2015 In-Service Training Recommendation- Steve Cross

Awarded 6 hr. amendment for peer review participation

- Motion by Commissioner Specht, seconded by Commissioner Naifeh. Motion carried.

Consideration to approve requests- Representative Marcus Harney (training officer)

Request from LaVergne FD on behalf of Deitrick Mitchell to release from abeyance his FF1 from 11/24/09

- Motion by Commissioner Kerley to approve from abeyance FF1, seconded by Commissioner Sorge. Motion carried.

Consideration to approve educational incentive pay request for 2014

- Motion by Commissioner Kerley to approve the currently met requirements for incentive pay in the amount of \$479,300, seconded by Commissioner Sorge. Motion carried.

Director Fox requests that the incentive pay be paid out as they come in and are approved.

- Motion by Commissioner Specht to approve incentive payments, seconded by Commissioner Sorge. Motion carried.

Dates of Future Meetings

Meeting will be April 29th in conjunction with the Tennessee Fire Chief's in Gatlinburg; work session will begin at 9:00 AM eastern with the business meeting at 1:00 PM

Motion to Adjourn

- Motion carried.