



**THE TENNESSEE COMMISSION ON FIRE FIGHTING PERSONNEL
STANDARDS AND EDUCATION**

**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING August
15, 2018**

The meeting of the Tennessee Commission on Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education was called to order by Chairman Matt Sorge at 9:00 A.M. Eastern Time on Wednesday , August 15, 2018, at the Alcoa Fire Department, 2010 N. Wright Road, Alcoa, TN 37701.

- I. **PRAYER** - (Mr. Kerley)
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – (Mr. Kelley)
- III. **ROLL CALL** (Director Fox) – Members Present:

Commissioner Brian Biggs
Commissioner Tommy Kelley
Commissioner Stephanie Specht
Commissioner Michael Naifeh
Commissioner David Windrow
Commissioner Darryl Kerley
Commissioner Toran Hedgepath
Commissioner Matthew Sorge
Commissioner Steven Majchrzak

Members Not Present:

Commissioner Jay Moore
Commissioner Julie McPeak – (ex-officio non-voting member)

A quorum has been established.

Commerce and Insurance / Fire Prevention Staff Present:

Randy Fox – Executive Director –Fire Commission
Michael Miranda – Fire Coordinator
Brian Nicholson – Fire Coordinator
Fred McCay-Accreditation Manager
Joseph Underwood – Chief Counsel – C&I
Jeffrey Elliott – Fire Service Program Director – TFACA

Guests:

Brad Goss	Roane County OES
Mike Flynn Sr.	East Ridge FD
William Morgan	Soddy Daisy FD
Mike Guffey	Soddy Daisy FD
Bradley Goss	Kingston FD
Jody Clift	Hamilton County FD
Rip Rohen	Hamilton County FD
Dewey Woody	Homeland Security
Pets Van Dusen	Cleveland FD

Guest Continued:

Jason Parks	Cleveland FD
William Andrews	Chattanooga FD
Jacob Warren	Fairview FD
Darren Stinnett	Alcoa FD
Jimmy Pack	Lafollette FD

IV. MINUTES

MOTION BY: Commissioner Naifeh

SECOND BY: Commissioner Biggs

Motion to: Approve the Commission Minutes from April 23rd, 2018 as submitted.

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 7 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain - 1 (Sorge)

MOTION CARRIED

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Election of Officers as required in 4-24-103 (b) (b) In July of each even numbered year, the commission shall elect from its membership a chair, a vice chair, and a secretary.

MR. FOX: ·Open the floor or nominations for Chairman

Mr. Biggs: I nominate our current chair Matthew Sorge.

MR. KERLEY: Second.

MR. FOX: Any other nominations?

Mr. Fox: Hearing none do I have a motion to close nominations?

Mr. Biggs: Motion to close the nominations and elect Mr. Sorge as Chairman.

MR. KERLEY: Second.

RESOLUTION: Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain – 0 Motion passes.

MR. FOX: ·Open the floor or nominations for Vice-Chairman

Mr. Hedgepath: I nominate our current Vice -Chair Brian Biggs.

MR. KELLEY: Second.

MR. FOX: Any other nominations?

Mr. Fox: Hearing none do I have a motion to close nominations?

Mr. KERLEY: Motion to close the nominations and elect Mr. Biggs as Vice Chairman.

MR. KELLEY: Second.

RESOLUTION: Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain – 0 Motion passes.

MR. FOX: ·Open the floor or nominations for secretary

Mr. Biggs: I nominate our current secretary Mr. Naifeh.

MR. Sorge: Second.

MR. FOX: Any other nominations?

Mr. Fox: Hearing none do I have a motion to close nominations?

Mr. Biggs: Motion to close the nominations and elect Mr. Naifeh as secretary.

MR. Sorge: Second.

RESOLUTION: Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain – 0 Motion passes.

VI. GUESTS Jeff Elliott- Fire Service Program Director – TFACA:

So I'll start with a campus update. Actually, tomorrow at 1:00 we have a meeting, which the developers and the overseers of construction projects call a 95 percent complete approval for the architectural drawings for the conference center. So that happens tomorrow at 1:00. And because so much correspondence had gone through, we don't expect there to be any unknowns there, so I think we are getting very close to be able to put that out to, to bid, so they're still hoping for an award this year to a contractor.

Other improvements going on the campus, we have started the initial phase partially through a grant program, but all of the lighting both inside and outside is going to be converted to LEDs, so we think it'll be better lighting project and also more energy efficient.

And then we're entering into the procurement process for replacing one of our custom engines, so. About three years ago we started replacing the initial fleet that opened up the academy, so we have a 2016 commercial pumper now, a 2017 quint, and anticipate a 2019 custom pumper, so we're very excited about that.

We just completed our fourth annual chief training officer symposium. Guest speakers that were brought in were Captain Brian Ramsey from Eastman Chemical, did a very impressive two-hour presentation on hazmat. Chief Moore did a very still emotional presentation on their line of duty death and lessons learned and what his department is still going through.

September 17th is the first offering for an airport fire fighter that, that I presented in Gatlinburg that was approved. That class did fill with 20 applicants, and we have four on the waiting list, so we're very excited to get that under way.

Tennessee, Virginia NFA weekend we had to submit all applications yesterday, and we only have 26 firefighters going through. Really I'm going to go back before the board of directors in the fall conference with the Tennessee fire chiefs, but it's really struggling, and, and a lot of chiefs that passed annual conference referenced that it's, it is a very actually costly training weekend just for two days. So there's been a lot of discussion that we may consider giving up that weekend and bringing those classes back to Tennessee so that more Tennessee firefighters actually can get those NFA classes. We, we still will get the same number of NFA direct delivery classes, but we'll just be able to bring those back in state and probably see a bigger attendance.

We did recognize that the annual chief's conference, the departments that exceeded a thousand or more contact hours, so Nashville Fire department was the top career department with over 7,000 hours. Hardin County Fire Department was recognized as the top combination department, and Williamson County Fire Rescue was recognized with the most training hours for a volunteer department. And that concludes my report.

Directors Report:

MR. FOX: I'd like to take this opportunity at this time to introduce Fred McCay.

Fred McCay is our new accreditation manager, and he was scheduled to meet you at the April meeting in Gatlinburg but was unable to do this. Emergencies that came up on his part, but Fred is here today.

MR. MCCAY: I started my firefighting career kind of late. I was 18 when I started as a volunteer and served in every position in the volunteer fire department, except for chaplain and treasurer. They didn't want me praying for them or holding their money. Also I went to work for a company called Pemco-Aeroplex in Birmingham. This was a government contractor, and they did PM work on a C135 and C130 aircraft, and if you know anything about the government you can't insure their aircraft because you've got to reduce the risk on it, so we had our own crash fire rescue department there on site. And I started as a firefighter, and I was the second certified firefighter to ever work

there, and moved my way up to firefighter and served as the chief from 2000 to 2008. And I had an opportunity go to Alabama Fire College, and I made that transition and went down there and started learning certification and testing and dealing with LXR and the deep water valve blew out in the gulf and immediately Alabama started cutting excess jobs. I was not tenured, so there was six of us let go the same day. So I left the fire college and wondered around a little bit when the Pro-Board told me about Saudi Aramco. I went to Saudi Arabia as an accreditation coordinator for them, and was there for six and a half years until I turned the age to retire so they patted my back and sent me back home. And I am happy to be working here.

Report from Legal

MR. UNDERWOOD: The rules will effective October the 25th, go forward with that, and that's really it.

Report on 2018 In-Service Programs

MR. MIRANDA: Fayetteville has submitted their program shortly after the April meeting in Gatlinburg where you've approved their waiver. They submitted a 44-hour program, and they are well on their way into their program now, and there should be, you know, barring any natural disasters or any unforeseen circumstances, they should complete their program well within time to complete it in 2018.

Report on 2019 In-Service Programs

MR. MIRANDA: Presently for the 2019 educational incentive paid program, there's been nine departments have submitted a total of 82 courses, you know, thus far. The website shows the October 1st deadline, which will be reflective of next year, you know, and all subsequent years. But to my knowledge we are still going to, since the rules can't formally take effect until October 25th, that November 1st is still going to be honored as the, as the deadline for educational incentive based programs submissions. Hopefully try to get peer review done before Thanksgiving and that way the programs are completed, approved, any correction are done before the start of the year.

TEMA Meeting Report

Director Fox: Director Steven Majchrzak and I along with Assistant Commissioner Farley had a meeting with the Tennessee Emergency Management, and I think we made some good headway with them, and we all seem to be working in the right direction. Basically, I think one thing we really need to look at as a commission in the future that would probably give them more comfort with us is requiring training for our awareness and operations certifications, and I would suggest that we do that when we go and change standards, and that's probably going to happen in 2019, going to the new standard. I would suggest that we add that to our rules and policies and go ahead and make that a priority to require awareness and operations training for our certification at those levels just like we have with many of the other levels, and, of course, I would entertain your all's comments and suggestions on that, I just think it's something that would make them more comfortable with our certifications. We are working with them currently doing some technician certification. I will let MR. MIRANDA speak to that.

MR. MIRANDA: Knoxville Fire Department's going to be hosting a class I believe this fall. They're going that they're going to incorporate the commission in with. It's a TEMA class. Kingsport has another of the Northeast Tennessee Fire and Training Academy. So far the feedback from TEMA has been from their local reps or their county reps has been very positive regarding the commission, incorporating the commission practical into their TEMA class, but I'm of the same opinion as, as you are that if TEMA does pursue accreditation through the Pro Board, that would make things easier for everybody.

MR. MAJCHRZAK: I think the only two things are, one, TEMA internally has been

doing an extensive review and rewrite of their curriculum and they're integrating the academy and commission into that conversation now, we're hopeful that's going to bear fruit.

And the one piece, that's just, just for historical references, is that some things have happened over time. They have; for instance, TEMA has recognized the fire, fire academies awareness and operations of classes as meeting their requirement for having a, a class and accepting that as it used to be only that the, only the TEMA awareness operations were accepted as part of their program, but they did several years back actually starting the beginning of the fire academies. So there's, been some discussion for a while but now it's kind of reaching a baking point.

IFSAC / Pro Board

Fred McKay and I will be attending the fall (inaudible) conference. That will be November 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. That will in St. Charles, Missouri.

Next we've got wildland firefighter two approved by both IFSAC and Pro-Board. On your iPads you have letters from both IFSAC & Pro-Board for Wildland Firefighter II.

Computer Based Testing

I've been working and meeting with STS and IT with the state on the computer based testing. We've had several meetings about that going forward in the future. I'm not ready to talk about options at this point other than to say that it is in the works, and I do have the support of the commissioner at this time to move forward on that at the appropriate time.

Fire Commission 101 offerings

We did have the opportunity so far this year to do the fire submission 101 classes at Gatlinburg with the Smoky Mountain weekend. Michael Miranda taught that, and Brian Nicholson taught one at the academy prior to the training officer symposium. He also scheduled a new one at the Tennessee River weekend in west Tennessee and that's the first weekend in November as well.

Revised In-Service Verification Form

Agenda items IV(c) Is a revised in-service verification form. If you'll notice on that form that some of the things that had been removed or changed is what we hoped to go to. It's just a revised spreadsheet, and, basically, what we've done is we changed out the Social Security number where the new form will require the ACADIS PSID number for your individual. Also, what you'll notice has gone away is the salary. The fire chief is signing and verifying that that's a full time paid employee. Also we changed the mathematical stuff, to require them to do a self-audit for 40 hours on the form instead of just putting an X in a box for special schools or college or certification. We actually want you to tabulate that and show us that 40 hours there, and we've created that form with some samples on it so you can actually see what we're looking for. Is there any questions concerning that verification form?

Reciprocity Report

MR. NICHOLSON: Good morning. Reciprocity is going well. We've streamlined the process somewhat, and we're able to verify much more of the data easier than, than before. We are, as of August the 3rd, we were at a hundred and one percent of 2017's total request for reciprocity, so we've already exceeded that and that's because of the good customers we have with Memphis and several of the DOD that have come in.

Also, Memphis just did an IAFF Pro-Board accredited hazmat materials operations class, so that was a big influx. We had 41 students in that class, so they were using that to get their basic requirements for the recruit class and it worked well for them.

Training Courses by Submittal

Next item I have is item (f) is the training program courses by submittal that were approved in house. There are 16 courses on item VIII (f). Do you have any questions?

NFPA Standards Correlation

Next is a handout on correlation sheet for standard changes. I'm going to let Fred McCay speak to this and kind of let you know a timeline on how this is laid out.

MR. MCCAY: Good morning again. As you can see I've got the, both the Pro-Board and IFSAC dates and our compliance dates. Pro-Board requires two year from the publish date of the standard and IFSAC that gives you three years, so when we're doing this, if we're designing our tests and our skill sheets to meet IFSAC's requirements however, since we are dual accredited we are on the Pro-Board's timeline. The items coming up as you can see, is a five-year cycle, so 1001 is due. Also, we've got to make a determination if we are going to stay with NFPA 472 for hazmat or we go to the 1072 because next year is the, the compliance date for both of them. NFPA 472 is in August and 1072 is in December.

MR. FOX: We do have 1072 written into our rules effective for October.

MR. MCCAY: Okay. So then we've got two be accredited to 1072 by August 21st or we lose our accreditation on hazmat levels, because that would be the end date for Pro-Board on 472. NFPA 1006 we do not have to comply because there was a lot of feedback and push back on that standard. Currently they're developing a revised standard that is pretty much the same thing. Instead of having the chapter five, but had the, basically, the introduction to technical rescue that now split into each chapter, chapter five, I think, is tower rescue now, and each level where they wrote confined space, whatever, will have three different levels.

MR. FOX: Awareness.

MR. MCCAY: Just like hazmat will be awareness operations and technician, so this is something that we're going to have to work on, but it's not on the table at this time.

We're, we're good on everything else going down NFPA 1041, which is the fire services instructor, the second draft was posted on NFPA website for public comments, and the only changes that I see in that was the addition of chapters seven and eight for live fire instructor and life air instructor in charge, which will probably tie back in on 1403 for the live fire scenarios when it's updated.

MR. FOX: The biggest thing I think we're dealing with right now, and Fred is currently working on it, is the cycle got off on 1002.

MR. MCCAY: Right.

MR. FOX: And normally it would have been a five-year cycle, but it was 2009 we're currently in the 2014, and now it's going be the 2017 standard.

MR. MCCAY: Right. And we've got to be compliant with that, with Pro-Board by December 1st of this year.

MR. FOX: So we'll be moving to that in order to stay compliant.

MR. MCCAY: The only other thing that I would add on this is we probably need to start looking at adding the live fire instructor and the live fire instructor in charge.

MR. FOX: And that will be something that we will want to add to the rules.

Agenda Items VIII.g.-VIII.m. Audits

MR. FOX: The next item I would have on the agenda would be audits. Item IX (g), Jay Moore is not here, but he and I conducted audits at the Mt. Pleasant Fire Department on June the 4th, and also at Spring Hill Fire Department.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Windrow

SECOND BY: Commissioner Kerley

Motion to: Approve the audits for Mt Pleasant and Spring Hill FDs.

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain - 0

MOTION CARRIED

MR. FOX: The next item I have is audits from Mr. Biggs and I did on June the 14th for Rutherford County and also for the Dickson Fire Department.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Specht

SECOND BY: Commissioner Naifeh

Motion to: Approve the audits from Rutherford County and Dickson FDs.

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 7 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain -1 (Biggs)

MOTION CARRIED

MR. FOX: On June the 12th Commissioner Windrow and I conducted audits at the Manchester Fire Department and also at Bedford County Fire Department.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Biggs

SECOND BY: Commissioner Kelley

Motion to: Approve the audits from Manchester and Bedford County FDs.

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 7 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain -1 (Windrow)

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. FOX: On June the 26th and 27th, Commissioner Kelley and Commissioner Naifeh, and I conducted the audit of the Memphis Fire Department and Shelby County, also on 7/6 Lexington Fire Department and Milan Fire Department, and on 7/20 Bartlett Fire Department and Germantown Fire Department.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Biggs

SECOND BY: Commissioner Windrow

Motion to: Approve the audits from Memphis, Shelby County, Lexington, Milan, Bartlett and Germantown FDs.

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 6 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain -2 (Kelley, Naifeh)

MOTION CARRIED

Old Business: – Mr. FOX: We have no old business

New Business:

Item X.1) a.1-5 TFACA Courses

Decision Making

Residential Concerns

Water Awareness

Rope Ops

Rope Tech

MOTION BY: Commissioner Windrow

SECOND BY: Commissioner Kelley

Motion to: Approve 5 TFACA Courses - Decision Making, Residential Concerns, Water Awareness, Rope Ops and Rope Tech.

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain -0

MOTION CARRIED

Item X.1)b. Department of Homeland Security Training Program – Eight Programs

Creation of Fear

Domestic Extremism, Terror From Within

The Sovereign Citizen Movement

Radicalization and Homegrown Violent Extremism

Critical Infrastructure Awareness

Terrorism Liaison Officer

Sudden Violence - Active Shooter

Bomb Threat and Suspicious Package Management

MOTION BY: Commissioner Windrow

SECOND BY: Commissioner Biggs

Motion to: Approve 8 courses for Homeland Security - Creation of Fear, Domestic Extremism - Terror From Within, The Sovereign Citizen Movement, Radicalization and Homegrown Violent Extremism Critical Infrastructure Awareness, Terrorism Liaison Officer, Sudden Violence - Active Shooter and Bomb Threat and Suspicious Package Management

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain -0

MOTION CARRIED

Item X.1)c. Tri-State Mutual Aid Association Program – Hazardous Materials Technician Program – Using already approved program from Cleveland FD for the following:

Bradley Co. FD
Brayton VFD
Calhoun
Chattanooga FD added 10/18/2018
Chatt - Hamilton Co. Rescue
Chattanooga Airport Auth.
Cleveland F.D.
Dade Co. Fire - Rescue
Dallas Bay VFD
Dayton F.D.
Decatur F.D.
Dunlap F.D.
East Ridge F.D.
Englewood
Etowah F. D.
Etowah Rescue & Rural FD
Flat Top VFD
Graysville F.D.
Hamilton Co Office of Emergency Management
HC Marine Rescue
HC STARS
Hwy 58 VFD
Lewis Chapel VFD
Lifeforce
Lone Oak VFD
Lookout Mtn, Tn. F.D.
Meigs Co. Emerg Services
Mowbray VFD
Polk Co Emerg Services
Red Bank F.D.
Rhea Co. F.D.
Sale Creek VFD
Sequoyah VFD
Signal Mtn F.D.
Soddy Daisy F.D
Spring City F.D.
Tri-Community VFD
Waldens Ridge Emerg Services

MOTION BY: Commissioner Windrow

SECOND BY: Commissioner Biggs

Motion to: Approve Tri-State Mutual Aid Association request for Cleveland FDs approved Hazmat Tech Program to be used for the association.

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain -0

MOTION CARRIED

Item X.1)d. Fedex ARFF Driver/Operator program / Alabama Fire College curriculum

MOTION BY: Commissioner Biggs

SECOND BY: Commissioner Windrow

Motion to: Approve FEDEX ARFF Driver/Operator program / Alabama Fire College curriculum

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain -0

MOTION CARRIED

Item X.1)e. Cleveland Recruit Academy - 14 Weeks

MOTION BY: Commissioner Windrow

SECOND BY: Commissioner Kerley

Motion to: Approve Cleveland Recruit Academy - 14 Weeks

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain -0

MOTION CARRIED

Item X.1)f. Fire Rescue 1 Academy Courses (4) formerly Kaplan's Fire & EMS This courses are on-line and are in .75 to 1.5 hours segments.

1. Fire Officer Series- Courses covering NFPA 1021,
2. Firefighter 1 and 2 Series- courses covering NFPA 1001,
3. Firefighter Cancer: Prevention and Health - Course covering NFPA 1404, 1500, 1971, Standard for Fire Officer
4. Body Armor and the Changing Landscape of Public Safety Course covering NFPA 1500 Standard for Fire Officer

MOTION BY: Commissioner Sorge

SECOND BY: Commissioner Kelley

Motion to: Have the director contact him back with what the requirements are for our submission and what we typically approve based upon, and if they resubmit that, we could have it brought back up in a different meeting for approval at that point in time.

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain -0

MOTION CARRIED

Item X.1)g. Fairview FD Rope I Course Waiver Request.

Jake Warren: Two of our people in the ropes certification process have issues. I have been in contact with Michael Miranda about the requirements for these individuals to complete the certification and we have come across a roadblock that may require a one-time waiver from the commission. Both individuals have completed the rope practical by the commission. Both individuals had taken previous rope classes before attending a rope class

held at TFACA last fall. Both individuals received signed Rope 2 JPRs at the completion of that class however; there is missing, documentation of Rope 1 JPRs. After the submission of documents or a waiver of the missing documentation these 2 should be ready to take the written test.

After much discussion on the topic;

MR. SORGE: I would like to direct our director to carve us out a time in an upcoming meeting for us to have a discussion about a path forward on this that we can make a clear line so that we would know exactly where we want people to be or what we're going to do and that way we don't run into this again.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Kerley

SECOND BY: Commissioner Hedgepath

Motion to: That the lady that taught this class that they gave credit for. The specific class that, that you all looked at and said works, if she'd submit to our director the course material, and if it meets our requirements, that we allow our director to approve it without coming back to this commission, so that these gentlemen can move forward with their testing. If it doesn't meet, they'll have to repeat the test. The motion is to approve to have the requestor to submit the information of the course instructor whether this would be a commission approved course for purpose of certification of these back to 2008.

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

- Commissioner Biggs? Yes.
- Commissioner Kelley? No.
- Commissioner Kerley? Yes.
- Commissioner Naifeh? No.
- Commissioner Specht? Yes.
- Commissioner Hedgepath? Yes.
- Commissioner Sorge? No.
- Commissioner Windrow? No.

Roll Call - Vote: 4 – Yea 4 – Nay 0 – Abstain -0

MOTION FAILED

MR. FOX: Okay. Your next item on your agenda items to add to the agenda, if you choose does so that is on your iPads. You'll need a motion to add them to the agenda. It will be the 2018 IAAI conference and also adding NFPA 3000 Target Solution Course, and there again those are added due to the element of time, so.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Naifeh

SECOND BY: Commissioner Kelley

Motion to: Add to the agenda the IAAI.

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain -0

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION BY: Commissioner Biggs **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Kelley

Motion to: Add to approve the 2018 IAAI conference.

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain -0

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION BY: Commissioner Hedgepath **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Windrow

Motion to: Add to the agenda the NFPA 3000 Course from Target Solutions.

Call for the question - None

RESOLUTION:

Vote: 8 – Yea 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain -0

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION BY: Commissioner Windrow **SECOND BY:** Commissioner Biggs

Motion to: Approve NFPA 3000 Course from Target Solutions with correlations provided to the Director .

Note: After much discussion - no action taken - motion withdrawn due to the course being less than 2.0 hours in length. Item can be reconsidered after new rules come into effect. Both motion and second withdrew.

No action taken.

Public Comments

MR. VANDUSEN: Deputy Chief of Cleveland Fire Department.

As you guys consider this, I would ask that you consider the, the time frame of the NFPA standards when we start to reach back and look at these classes. They're good for five years. If I test for -- if I want to take an officer one test, I have to have a class that's current to the standard, instructed the same way. And I just ask that you guys consider the time frames when we look at classes. You know, we'll look at the path what we've discussed. So just for the sake of consistency. That's all.

MR. SORGE: Absolutely. Thank you. Thank you for your comments. Anybody else have any additional concerns or comments or anything that they would like to come up and put before us?

MR. MAJCHRZAK: Hopefully suggest that also as part of the discussion that was discussed earlier about having the future meeting is historically the commission has approved classes for continuing education to meet the educational incentive pay. You've introduced over the last couple of years to strengthen the certification process requirement for training. I don't know that it's made a clear distinction between the two that this is a -- I mean, to the example I think we had earlier, which is if somebody says I have an Officer One class, and it's a four-hour online class, I don't think it's the intent of the commission that is an Officer One class that meets the

requirements of the training, but I think there may need to be some thought about how that distinction is made between the two, which then would also get to these other questions of how far that you go back, because when you add these certifications, obviously people who have had some sort of training beforehand and, and what are you going to consider to be requisite training to meet the intent of just not coming and just challenge them to test. So I think those things all kind of fit together.

Dates of Future Meetings

Work session on December 12th at one p.m. and then general business meeting at nine a.m. on December 13th at Jackson, TN at Madison County Fire Department location.

Ms. Specht: Motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourn at 11:35 AM Eastern