

Fire Education Advisory Commission
Division of Fire Safety
March 15, 2017

Minutes

Portions of this meeting may be closed pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (11 & 12)

Introduction of the New Fire Marshal, J. Tim Bean – *Tim took a few minutes to introduce himself to the Commission and guests.*

Fire Education Advisory Commission: *Tim Dorsey, Mike Marlo, Greg Brown, and Alan Braun. Todd Gray and Rob Wylie were later able to join via conference call.*

Staff: *Greg Carrell, Sherry Hoelscher, Bill Zieres, Dee Dee Edwards, Kim Fitzsimmons, Becky Trapani, Greg Landwehr, and John Loveless*

Guests: *John Russo, Ryan Wood, Jerry Bloomberg, Jason Turner, Rick Friedman, Kevin Zumwalt, Dave Hedrick and Corey Irelan*

There was discussion regarding Larry and Sal having been retracted from the Commission by the new Administration since they were never confirmed. This leaves the Commission with only six members seated.

Approval of Minutes from 12/14/16:

*Motion – Alan
Second – Greg
In Favor – All*

Approval of Minutes from 1/24/17:

*Motion – Alan
Second – Greg
In Favor – All*

Division Updates –

- Budget withholdings are now permanent cuts for FY17 – *Sherry reviewed with the group*
 - \$234,000 for contracted training funds
 - 3 Fire Safety Inspectors to assist with implementation of new law
 - Replacement fleet vehicles.
- Budget requests for FY18 to include:
 - One replacement fleet vehicle
- Legislative updates – *Greg reviewed with the group*
 - Increase fees for explosives used to support the Divisions Blasting program. Met with blasting board to obtain industry support.
 - Fire fighters' workers compensation

- Line of duty death act benefit clarification
- Tax credit for fire fighter training
- Increase penalties for crimes against police and emergency responders

- Division staff updates – *Greg reviewed with the group*
 - Ryan Lesh – Investigator, Jefferson County
 - Promoted Becky Trapani to Deputy Chief, Training & Certification
 - Promoted Greg Dickens to Deputy Chief, Inspections

 - Retirement Announcement – Bill Zieres, Deputy Chief, Investigations & Explosives Enforcement

- Open positions include: *Greg reviewed with the group*
 - Fire Investigators in Johnson & St. Francois Counties
 - Elevator Safety Inspector in St. Louis area
 - Training Tech II, Training & Certification

- Training Program Update – *Becky gave the update of the Training and Certification programs.*

FY17 Summary of Contracted Training Funds Available: *Sherry reviewed with the group*

▪ Fire Ed & GR:	\$475,025	Expended to Date: \$362,047.76
▪ CEPF:	\$83,645	Expended to Date: \$20,343.00
▪ Total Funds:	\$558,670	Expended to Date: \$382,390.76

Training Partners Summaries – *Sherry reviewed with the group*

Corey expanded on the report for the Blue Card training as provided by Pattonville FPD. Dave further explained the MUFRTI training report. Dave thanked the Commission for supporting the Phil Sayer Scholarships for Winter School and also invited everyone to Summer Fire School.

Other Business

- *Fire Fighters' Day – Tim invited everyone to participate in the event. There will be a ceremony in the rotunda this year, as well as a lunch in the Division office following. Contracted training partners are encouraged to display their props in the Capitol circular drive.*

- *Board Appointments, Elections – Roberts Rules of Order – The Division staff did not find a vote on the issue. Several members do remember various conversations on the issue; however, no official vote was noted. It was mentioned that to follow the Ruler verbatim would be cumbersome to the Commission and staff.*

- *Greg explained the situation with Larry and Sal. They are no longer on the Commission due to not being confirmed by the previous administration. The new administration automatically pulled them off the Commission.*

- Ethics Reports – Staff reminded Commission members to file prior to the Due May 1
- Greg Carrell mentioned the Division of Fire Safety's 45th anniversary is June 23rd. Plans and details will be forthcoming.
- Kim Fitzsimmons spoke regarding the Division of Fire Safety's First Memorial Stair Climb which will be held on September 10th in Jefferson City. Kim is still working out the details and getting sponsors. Details will be publicized when finalized.

Motion to close meeting pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (11 & 12)

Motion to close meeting - Alan

Seconded by – Greg Brown

All in favor- Alan, Greg, Tim, Todd, Mike, Rob

- Applications for Proposals for Fiscal Year 2018 – *The Commission discussed the application for proposals. The Commission did not have any significant changes to the criteria. The Commission is requesting all partners to submit a map showing the location of their contracted class deliveries to be submitted with their application for funds, rather than later during their presentation.*
- Priority Ranking of Classes – *The Commission had discussed ranking classes submitted for contracted funds by priority, especially if funds were limited.*
- Standardized Evaluations – Board Notification. *The need for the standardized form was discussed. The Commission would like to see this evaluation form implemented as a requirement for reimbursement.*

Motion to open meeting - Alan

Seconded by – Greg Brown

All in favor- Alan, Greg, Tim, Mike, Rob

Motion to adjourn – Greg Brown

Seconded by – Alan

All in Favor

**Date for Two-Day
Presentation of Proposals
Meeting: June 28 & 29**