

**COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION, PERSONNEL,
STANDARDS AND EDUCATION**

Fire Commission Minutes

July 30, 2016

Covington, Kentucky

Present:

Joe Baer
Rick Daugherty
Greg Dearing
Pam Dickens
David Goldsmith
Scott Lawson
Bill Lilly
Greg Lowe
Rich Meyer
James Nickell
Tiger Robinson
Kevin Tyler

Absent:

Dr. Tracy
Theresa Rochetti-Cantrell
Mike Dossett
Mike Haney
Vicki Herald
Dr. Melahn

Tiger Robinson called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Tiger thanked the KFA and Jeff Pohlman for hosting this meeting. Jeff Pohlman thanked everyone for being here. Kevin Tyler motion to approve the minutes from June 16, 2016 in Bardstown, Kentucky. Scott Lawson seconded. Motion approved.

Education Committee

David Goldsmith said the Education Committee met today to vote on three curriculums to add to the approved list. Those curriculums were: Cleveland State University, Fire and EMS Academy and Louisville Airport. David Goldsmith motion to approve. Rick Daugherty seconded. Motion approved.

Health and Wellness Committee

Rick Daugherty said the Health and Wellness committee met this morning to discuss purchasing eight gear extractors for fire departments to clean their turnout gear with. Rick Daugherty motion to approve purchasing eight gear extractors.

Pam Dickens seconded. Motion approved. Rick Daugherty said we picked up a treadmill from the Community of Canoe Fire Department. The technician who checked the treadmill said it had been submerged under water and mice had chewed through the wires. Rick said the committee voted that Bruce send a letter back to the department asking what happened to the treadmill.

Loan Committee

Jim Nickell said the Loan committee met this morning to discuss two loans. Muldraugh Fire Department is requesting \$29,272.49 for turnout gear and extrication tools. Jim Nickell motion to approve. Greg Dearing seconded. Motion approved.

Blaine Fire Department is requesting \$23,625.00 to add to a grant they are applying for. Jim Nickell motion to approve contingent upon them receiving the grant they applied for. Greg Dearing seconded. Motion approved.

Finance Committee

Greg Dearing said the Finance committee met on July 6th in Lexington at the Fire Commission Office. Greg said the committee made a motion and voted to put the property at Campbellsville up for sale. Kevin Tyler motion to put the property up for sale. Pam Dickens seconded. Motion approved.

Greg Dearing said the committee voted to have the trailers uniformly wrapped. Kevin Tyler motion to have the trailers wrapped. Pam Dickens seconded. Motion approved.

Greg Dearing said the committee is looking at purchasing 15 max fire boxes at the sum of \$72,000.00. Joe Baer motion to approve purchasing 15 max fire boxes. Pam Dickens seconded. Motion approved.

Greg Dearing said the committee voted to purchase three portable pump panels for training. Kevin Tyler motion to approve purchasing three movable pump panels. Rich Meyer seconded. Motion approved.

Eligibility Committee

Rich Meyer said the Eligibility Committee met this morning. Somerset Fire Department is requesting to be added back to the incentive pay program this year.

The Eligibility committee voted to request Somerset Fire Department apply as a new fire department for incentive pay during the requesting period. Rick Daugherty motion to approve. Pam Dickens seconded. Motion approved.

Fire Marshal's Office

None.

Emergency Management

None.

Kentucky Firefighter's Association

None.

Kentucky Association of Fire Chief's

None.

Kentucky Professional Firefighter's Association

None.

KBEMS

None.

Old Business

Howdy Kurtsinger said we have two administrative regulations we are working on now. Ann Tyler-Morgan is here to discuss those regulations. Ann Tyler-Morgan said we have two regulations up for consideration. The first regulation is for fire department reporting for departments whose budget is under \$100,000.00 annually. The second regulation is 739 KAR 2:040, which would include adding cancer to firefighter death benefits. Ann Tyler said we have a public comment hearing scheduled for August 23rd at the Fire Commission Office in Lexington.

Rich Meyer said we have been working on getting a new CPAT and SFRT facility for SFRT Area 7. Bruce Roberts said we have 1.5 million set aside for the CPAT

building. The General Assembly has provided 1.5 million dollars for the SFRT Area 7 building. Bruce said we met with KCTCS to see if we can combine the money to total 3 million dollars. If we can have everything ready by March 15, 2017, we should be in a building by Fall 2017. Rich Meyer motion to write a letter to combine the two budgets in order to reach the goal of 3 million dollars. Greg Dearing seconded. Motion approved.

New Business

Tiger Robinson said there will be three families that will be recognized at Emmetsburg and three families that will be returning. Greg Dearing motion to approve this trip to Emmetsburg. Bill Lilly seconded. Motion approved.

Bruce Roberts said thermal imaging information has been mailed out to all of the departments.

Russ Sanders said there are new NFPA standards that are coming out. Russ said everyone needs to go to the website of: www.nfpa.org/standardsinaction.

Correspondence

Ronnie Day said the Combat Challenge is August 26th through the 28th in Louisville, Kentucky. The Kentucky Fallen Firefighter Memorial is on October 5, 2016 in Frankfort, Kentucky. The National Fallen Firefighter Memorial will be October 6th through the 11th in Emmetsburg, Maryland. The next Fire Commission meeting will be held on October 13, 2016 at Kimberly Clark in Owensboro.

Announcements from the Audience

Ken Knipper said he represents Kentucky on the volunteer fire council board and they are celebrating their 40th year.

John Daley said a few months ago, one of his best friends passed away due to suicide. John said his death was directly attributed to post traumatic stress disorder. This needs to be addressed now. John asked are we doing anything to help with this. If not, can we please put a committee together and starting working on this. Russ said we have addressed this within NFPA. If a committee is appointed, please let me know.

Meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.