

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

Fire Commission Minutes

August 2, 2015

Paducah, Kentucky

**Present:**

Eric Bach  
Theresa Rochetti-Cantrell  
Rick Daugherty  
Greg Dearing  
Pam Dickens  
David Goldsmith  
Vicki Herald  
Scott Lawson  
Bill Lilly  
Greg Lowe  
Rich Meyer  
Tiger Robinson  
Bill Swope  
Kevin Tyler

**Absent:**

Mike Dossett  
Jim Nickell  
Jennifer Schott  
David Stump

Tiger Robinson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. (CT). Kevin Tyler motion to approve the minutes from June 11, 2015 in Harrodsburg, Kentucky. David Goldsmith seconded. Motion approved. Tiger thanked Steve Kyle and the KFA for hosting this meeting. Steve Kyle thanked everyone for being here.

**Personnel Committee**

Greg Dearing said we have posted three positions: Auditor, SFRT Director and the IF SAC Coordinator. These posts will close this week.

**Education Committee**

David Goldsmith said the Education committee met on July 30<sup>th</sup>. We discussed the KAR's regarding certification, qualification and fire service instructors. It addresses level I instructors teaching from an approved Fire Commission

curriculum. Dave said we don't have an approved curriculum yet. Casey Hall is working on this. David Goldsmith said everyone should have received the information on requirements to be recertified as an instructor. The committee is working on the four hours of methodology and where this will be taught and who is going to teach it.

David Goldsmith said the Cancer Awareness and the updated Flashover curriculums were approved by the committee. Scott Lawson motion to approve these two curriculums. Pam Dickens seconded. Motion approved.

### **Eligibility Committee**

Rich Meyer said Walton Fire Department had a firefighter who had been off of the department for two years with injuries. He wanted to receive his incentive pay after he came back on the department. While he was off he was able to get his hundred hours in for incentive pay. Kevin Tyler motion to give this firefighter his incentive pay. Scott Lawson seconded. Motion approved.

Rich Meyer said the eligibility committee approved sending letters to some departments who had received their thermal imaging camera grant funding from the Commission, but had not completed the proper paperwork and mailed back in. Greg Dearing motion to send these departments a letter giving them fifteen days to respond with the proper paperwork. Kevin Tyler seconded. Motion approved. Bruce Roberts said Big Creek, Bright Shade, Hartford, Melbourne, Moreland, Mt Washington, Symsonia and Waynesburg have not turned in their paperwork yet. Kevin Tyler motion to hold their state aid until their paperwork has been sent in. Pam Dickens seconded. Motion approved.

Rich Meyer said the eligibility committee approved starting the process to reissue thermal imaging cameras before the end of the year. Greg Dearing motion to mail out the applications for thermal imaging cameras. Scott Lawson seconded. Motion approved.

Scott Lawson motion to approve the line of duty death benefits for Anthony Grider. Vicki Herald seconded. Motion approved.

Rich Meyer said the committee has added tablets and I-pads to the prior approval state aid list. Bruce Roberts said I-Pads and tablets wasn't on the approval list and departments were calling requesting them for entering training records and run reports.

## **Training Facility Committee**

Bill Lilly said the training facility committee met on July 6<sup>th</sup>. 34 departments requested grants. The committee has narrowed them down to 20 departments. The committee will meet again in September so these departments can conduct their presentations. Bill said we had over \$4,000,000.00 in requests and a little over \$1,000,000.00 to award. Rich Meyer said he received a call from a department wanting to know if the committee was going to do anything with the application requests over \$99,000.00. Bill Lilly said we will consider these requests if there is money left over after we award the other grants.

## **Fire Marshal's Office**

Bill Swope said the state of Kentucky produces 95% of distilled spirits that are sold around the world. Bill said we had an incident in Western Kentucky associated with a micro-distillery. Bill said if you know of any micro-distilleries in your areas, please let the Fire Marshal's Office know about them.

Bill Swope said there is an initiative by the National Safety Council called Safe Communities and is in a partnership that brings together communities, schools, health care industries and emergency services. Their purpose is to deliver services to the community to promote safety. Bill asked everyone to take a look at this and see if their emergency services would be interested in taking part in this.

## **Homeland Security**

None.

## **Emergency Management**

None.

## **Kentucky Firefighter's Association**

Jeff Pohlman said the KFA conference for 2016 will be in Covington.

### **Kentucky Association of Fire Chiefs**

Mike Hulsey said the Kentucky Association of Fire Chief's conference is August 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> in Bowling Green Kentucky.

### **Kentucky Professional Firefighter's Association**

Joe Baer said the Kentucky Professional Firefighter's Association conference will be next week in Covington.

### **KBEMS**

None.

### **Old Business**

None.

### **New Business**

Greg Dearing said the Finance Committee will have a workshop on August 18<sup>th</sup> at the office in Lexington starting at 9:00 a.m. Greg said everyone needs to RSVP to him or Brenda.

Greg Dearing motion that effective immediately all of the locks on the property in Campbellsville be changed, the property be posted with no trespassing signs and the power be turned off to that property. Ronnie will notify KCTCS Legal office that anyone who has materials that belong to them personally in that building needs to be moved out within thirty days or less and then put the property up for sale. Rich Meyer seconded. Motion approved.

### **Correspondence**

Tiger Robinson said that Mike Hulsey and Eric Bach have retired as of July 31, 2015.

Ronnie Day said the Combat Challenge will be in Louisville on August 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. The host hotel will be the Hyatt downtown. The combat challenge will be on Second and Liberty.

Ronnie Day said the state fair is August 20<sup>th</sup> through the 30<sup>th</sup>. We have a booth and displays will be set up on Main Street. We are partnering with Agriculture.

Ronnie Day said the State Fallen Firefighter Memorial will be September 30<sup>th</sup> in Frankfort starting at 11:00 a.m. There will be a red helmets motorcycle ride prior to this. The National Fallen Firefighter Memorial will be on October 4<sup>th</sup> in Emmetsburg.

Meeting adjourned at 1:27 p.m. (CT).