



Executive Fire Officers Section of the International Association of Fire Chiefs

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Annual Meeting @ FRI Thursday, August 17, 2023 @ 3:00 PM CST

Meeting called to order by Immediate Past Chair – Chief Lorber: 3:02 PM CT

Roll Call of the Board Members:

TITLE	NAME	PRESENT	EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Chair	William Hyde	X		
Vice-Chair	Joe Pulvermacher	X		
Secretary/ Treasurer	Gregory Barton		X	
Immediate Past Chair	Jo-Ann Lorber	X		
Director of Eastern	Curvin Wolfgang	X		
Director of Great Lakes	VACANT			
Director of Missouri Valley	David Daley		X	
Director of New England	Steve Murphy	X		
Director of Southeastern	Brad Hall	X		
Director of Southwestern	Chad Roberson	X		
Director of Western	Robert Jarvis	X		
Canadian Division	Ken Uzeloc	X		
IAFC Liaison	Jim Wamsley	X		
NFA Liaison	Trisha Wolford		X	
IAFC Staff Liaison	Kaitlin Lutz	X		

Swearing In of Newly Elected Board Members: Chief Jim Wamsley, Missouri Valley Division Director, IAFC Board

- Chair William Hyde
- Vice Chair Joe Pulvermacher
- Director of Eastern Curvin Wolfgang
- Director of New England Steve Murphy
- Director of Southeastern Brad Hall
- Director of Canadian Ken Uzeloc

Guest Speaker – Ed Kensler, Training Specialist, National Fire Academy

- Gave an update on the EFO Program including announcing that the new application criteria for the EFO program was uploaded to the NFA website. Application will be open 1/1/24-2/29/24. Applications will be capped at 500. The biggest change to the application is the addition of a writing component where applicants have to answer the question, what makes you an ideal candidate for the EFO Program. Classes start in October 2024.

Guest Speaker– Chief John Butler, 2023-204 IAFC President:

- Discussed the IAFC strategic plan. Noted that he is very interested in the EFO Section and the NFA EFO Program.

Guest Speaker – Mike Higgins, Commission on Professional Credentialing,

- Discussed credentialing programs and coming improvements including a new automated application process in January. They are also revising adding to the renewal application: data technology, DEIB and wellness/behavioral and designee goals. They are going to offer free online training classes for the new goal areas. They are also instituting a new software program will help you keep track of where you are in the process, communication all the way through.

Report of the Chair – Chief Hyde

- Acknowledged work of outgoing Immediate Past Chair Pat Kelly and outgoing Chair Jo-Ann Lorber.

Report of the Vice Chair – Chief Pulvermacher

- Gifted EFO Annual Meeting attendees travel mug.
- Shared that you do not have to be an EFO graduate to be in the section, it is for anyone interested in executive development.
- Status report on the work of the EFO/GFOA Taskforce: Currently working on curriculum development program to help new and inspiring fire chiefs communicate what is needed from a strategy and funding perspective to finance directors. The introductory session is being offered at FRI this year. The taskforce is looking at developing a report and educational curriculum that can be shared not just at conferences but throughout the year and will be able to address how we best serve our communities by working together with finance directors. This is a multi-year effort.

Report of the Secretary/Treasurer- Kaitlin for Chief Barton

- Members – 1,507
- Assets – as of June 30, 2023 total \$272,469
- Staff Hours: 6 hours used, 218.5 hours remain

First: Chief Lorber, Second: Chief Roberson - Approved

Report from Staff Liaison – Kaitlin Lutz

- Reminded section members that if you have surveys or anything you need help with for your EFO project the section is happy to help with that.
- NFA EFO Pins are available for free from the section.

Old Business:

Committee Reports

1. EFO/NFA Committee: Chief Mayo, Chief Curvin Wolfgang is the new representative to the NFA; Call for presentations is currently open, send to efo@iafc.org.

2. Director's reports
 - a. Canadian (Chief Uzeloc)
 - i. Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs conference is 9/17-9/20.
 - ii. Discussed rapid response program in relation to EDI training.
 - iii. IAFF got grant to deliver responding to the interface program in Canada. Hosted first train the trainer program at his department.
 - b. Eastern (Chief Wolfgang)
 - i. Introduced himself. He is a recent graduate of the new EFO Program. Looking forward to serving on the board.
 - c. Great Lakes (Chief Pulvermacher since position is vacant)
 - i. Vacancy on the board, opening will be publicized through the section.
 - d. Missouri Valley (Chief Daley)
 - i. No Report
 - e. New England (Chief Murphy)
 - i. Introduced himself. He is a 2021 EFO Program graduate. Excited to be here and join the Board.
 - ii. The New England Division conference will be held 10/4-10/6 at the Mohegan Sun Casino in CT.
 - f. Southeastern (Chief Hall)
 - i. Introduced himself.
 - g. Southwestern (Chief Roberson)
 - i. The Southwestern conference in Baton Rouge, LA in October. Going to have birthday cake to celebrate the IAFC's 150th on the last day of the conference 10/20 since that is the actual day the IAFC was founded.
 - ii. Louisiana has been working with Texas on a Executive Level Chiefs Program. Going to roll out Louisiana program next Summer.
 - iii. Southwestern is trying to work with FEMA Region 6 to start some training between FEMA and the IAFC Southwestern Division for fire chiefs' education at the executive level.
 - h. Western (Chief Jarvis)
 - i. Shared that he is a Fire Marshal now. Encouraged folks to look at the Western and IAFC sites to see all the upcoming conferences.
 - i. IAFC Board Liaison (Chief Wamsley)
 - i. Shared the GFOA partnership information with the IAFC Board.

New Business:

- Great Lakes Vacancy: Chief Roberson, Chief Uzeloc and Chief Lorber will serve as elections committee.

Adjourn: 4:04 PM CT

First: Chief Pulvermacher, Second: Chief Uzeloc

Next meeting: September 20, 2:00 PM ET