



# International Association of Fire Chiefs

## VCOS Board Telecon 13 October 2022

### Participants:

#### *IAFC Board Members Present:*

Chief Chuck Flynn, Chair  
Chief Rich Cowger, Vice Chair  
Chief Paul Sterling, Board Member at Large  
Chief Brita Horn, Board Member at Large  
Chief Kevin Hardwick, Board Member at Large  
Chief Jim Cook, Board Member at Large  
Chief Shawn Stokes, Board Member at Large  
Chief Al Yancey, Board Member at Large

#### *IAFC Board Members Not Present:*

Chief Fred Windisch, Secretary/Treasurer  
Chief Jason Catrambone, Board Member at Large

#### *IAFC Guests/Staff:*

Mr. Kevin McGee, Chief Operations Officer

### Call to Order

Chief Flynn chaired the meeting at 1402 hours EDT. A roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

### Approval of September 13, 2022 Minutes

Chief Chuck Flynn, Chair

#### **MOTION: 13 October 2022-01**

**Motion made and seconded to approve the September 13, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting minutes. Motion carried.**

**COWGER/HARDWICK**

### Chair's Report

Chief Chuck Flynn, Chair

Chief Flynn discussed logistics for upcoming November Board meetings and other Board member duties at Symposium in the Sun. Kevin McGee will distribute a Board schedule for Symposium in the Sun.

Chief Hardwick will represent VCOS on a cross functional IAFC task group to prepare input and recommendations on draft EPA regulations that would require fire

departments to decontaminate PFAS in their facilities.

### **Vice Chair's Report**

Chief Cowger

Chief Cowger reported that Rob Brown is awaiting an opinion from legal council regarding how the VCOS staff position can be structured. He is expecting the opinion later this month.

### **Secretary Treasurer Report**

Chief Windisch, Secretary/Treasurer

Chief Flynn reported on behalf of Chief Windisch that he has not yet received the September financial statement.

### **Strategic Direction**

Chief Yancey

Strategic direction will be updated and presented by January 2022.

### **New Member Initiative**

Chief Horn

Chief Horn requested a 2022 new VCOS member list from IAFC Membership Department.

The new member welcome packet is in the finalization process.

There are 130 first time SITS attendees and new VCOS members attending this year's Symposium in the Sun,

### **Old Business**

Chief Yancey reported that the Chaplain Guide is complete and will be ready for distribution.

Chief Sterling is providing revision recommendations on committees to include consolidation of committees.

Chief Horn reported that the Data Ribbon report group has six members and will begin work in September.

Chief Hardwick is organizing a Service Animal meeting at SITS.

### **New Business**

No new business

The telecon ended at 1429 Hours ET.

**Minutes submitted by:**

Mr. Kevin McGee  
Interim VCOS Staff Liaison

Chief Chuck Flynn  
VCOS, Chair

Chief Fred Windisch  
VCOS Secretary/Treasurer

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