Board Members Present:

Scott Souders, Chair, Great Lake Division Rep.
Phil Thorburn, Canadian Division Rep.
Harold McDonald, Southwestern Division Rep.
Jason Shivers, Southeastern Division Rep.
Kevin McCaw, At Large Rep.

Gary Brouse, IAFC Staff Liaison
Ms. Leslie Distler, Corporate Relations Executive, IAFC

Unable to attend:

David Dock, Missouri Valley Rep.

Call to Order:

- Chief Souders called the meeting to order at 1400 hours EST.

Request to Revise the Published Agenda:

- Gary Brouse requested if UL representative joined the teleconference that consideration be given to move him to the front of the agenda.

Financial Report:

- IAFC is under audit and will release financial reports upon completion.

Reports from Officers:

- Chair (Chief Souders): Welcome the new board and provided his vision for the future. Some of his goals for the year are as follows:
  - Develop a better understanding of the Section and its needs.
  - Develop a mission statement.
  - Discussed doing an upcoming video conference so he could put a face with each board member and get to know them better.
Committee Reports:

- None

Program and/or Presentation(s) from Guest and/or members:

- None.

Business Agenda:

- Old Business
  - 2019 Boyd Cole Award Presentation –
    - Recipient – Mr. Boyd Clegg
    - Award will be presented at Emergency Vehicle Technician Certification Commission Conference January 12th in Orlando, Florida
      - Chief Souders asked if he couldn’t make it to the conference to present was anyone else planning on attending.
        - Chief H. McDonald advised that he may be in attendance
        - Chief Shivers advised that being from the Atlanta area that he was probably the closest of the members and would be a backup if Chief Souders was unable to attend.

- New Business
  - Board vacancies
    - Vice Chair – Jason Shivers (unopposed)
    - Treasurer – John McDonald (unopposed)
    - Secretary – Phil Thorburn (unopposed)
    - Motion to accept: Approved
  - Chief Dock requested (by email) to step aside from the Missouri Valley representative position due to his retirement.
    - Discussion – Chief McCaw was asked if he was interested in filling the remaining term of the position since he was from the Missouri Valley. Chief McCaw agreed to serve out the term.
    - By Chief McCaw accepting the Missouri Valley position it opened the At Large position. A suggestion was made to have Chief Dock fill the remaining term of the At-Large position since he remains a dues paying member.
    - Motion made to approve Chief McCaw as the Missouri Valley representative and Chief Dock as the At Large representative to fill out the terms for each-
      - Motion approved
  - 2020 Boyd Cole Award
    - Discussion on whether the award should be presented in Orlando also or at FRI in Texas.
Board agreed the award should be presented in Orlando in front of their peers and possibly offer recognition at FRI if award winner was going to be in attendance.

**Good of the Section:**

- **Bylaws Changes**
  - Any proposed bylaw changes need to be to the Constitution and Bylaws Committee by February.
  - Discussion was held on whether to change the Chair/Vice Chair position from a one year term to a two year term to allow the officers more time to accomplish their objectives.
  - Motion made to change to a two year term. Motion: Approved
  - Chief J. McDonald advised that he would draft the new verbiage for the Section to review.

**Selection of Date, Time and Location of Upcoming Meetings:**

- TBD

**Adjournment:**

- Meeting adjourned at 1445 hours eastern

Minutes submitted by:

Mr. Gary Brouse  
IAFC Staff Liaison  
Emergency Vehicle Management Section