FLSS Board Meeting
July 17, 2019

Board Members:
Chief Andy King, Chair
Chief Greg Rogers, Vice Chair
Chief Michael O’Brien, International Director
Chief Stephen Hrustich, Secretary / Treasurer
Chief Adolf Zubia, Immediate Past Chair
Daniel Finnegan, At-Large Board Member
Angie Wiese, At-Large Board Member
Chief Ray Reynolds, At-Large Board Member
Chief Mark Chubb, At-Large Board Member

Staff:
Derek Bullington, IAFC Staff, Program Coordinator
Tom Robey, IAFC Staff

1. Approval of the June minutes
   a. Mari-K motion to approve as modified, Dan Finnegan second. Motion carries.

2. Report from the Chair (Andy King)
   a. Discussed public comment for disapproval of flammable refrigerant gases in HVAC units and other household appliances. FCAC has looked at them but is in a position where they cannot comment. FLSS/IAFC would like to put in a public comment and testify in opposition to these proposals.
      i. Chief O’Brian has put together a short draft, but still needs to be tweaked a little.
         1. Adolf Zubia - Motion to support submission of public comment for disapproval of flammable refrigerant gases being used in the home, Second Greg Rogers.
            a. Mark Chubb votes no, does not know of a viable alternative.
   b. USB drives and challenge coins have been ordered. USB drives have arrived at IAFC HQ and challenge coins will be delivered onsite at FRI.
   c. Derek will send room number out to everyone for the FLSS Annual Meeting and Board Meeting.

3. Report from the Vice Chair (Greg Rogers)
   a. Save the date from Vision 20/20 for the CRR Conference. It says Tennessee for location, Embassy Suites in Murfreesboro.
      i. With Vision 20/20 holding conference in Murfreesboro, IAFC is signing two-year contract. CRR Leadership conference in 2021 will be held in the same location. Planning on holding a face-to-face board meeting at this location

4. Report from International Director (Michael O’Brian)
   a. No report, not on the call
   b. Chief O’Brian sent email out about memo from IAFC that went out to IAFC Membership.
      i. Will get more into this at FRI.
      ii. Greg Rogers would like to acknowledge that Chief O’Brian has done a fantastic job representing FLSS on the big board.

5. Report from Secretary/Treasurer (Stephen Hrustich)
a. Received email today regarding the budget process and will send out today. It is well over two months old.
   i. Largest challenge is working with travel budget and not knowing true figures from the conference.

   a. ICC Board meeting this Saturday, report will be given next meeting.
   b. ICC Voter validation reminder was sent out by Chief O’Brian, remember to do that.

7. Report on iDELP (Shawn Hanson)
   a. No report, not on call.

8. Report on EFO (Jo-Ann Lorber)
   a. No report, not on call.

9. Bylaws and Election (Howard Hopper)
   a. No new bylaws. Plan to provide the election report at FRI.

10. Old Business
    a. Continuation of the Tall Wood discussion (Zubia)
        i. Breakfast meeting scheduled on Saturday at FRI
    b. Emergency Responder Radio Communication Systems (Finnegan)
        i. Dan Finnegan went over version 10 of the In-Building Emergency Response Communications paper.
        ii. Paper is saying IAFC recommends that fire chiefs understand the problem of ineffective operational wireless communications throughout the new and existing buildings as well as assisting the education of all stakeholders. IAFC supports the installation of in building emergency responder communication and enhancement systems where needed as well as the continued development of UL2524.
          1. Motion made by Dan Finnegan for FLSS to accept this paper and give Chief O’Brian authorization to move forward as modified with website inclusion to IAFC Communications Committee. He is to keep an eye on any other changes that may occur.
             a. Angie Wiese second
             b. Adolf Zubia, Mark Chubb, Stephen Hrustich votes no
             c. Motion carries with 3 in opposition
    c. Smoke Alarm Position Paper (Appy, King, Hopper and Michehl)
        i. Smoke alarm task force prepared to reconvene to consider new messaging changes that will be required in light of new technologies for UL217.
        ii. There was a recent smoke alarm summit held in March by Vision 20/20 and Johns Hopkins. Having a meeting tomorrow to pull together comments to compile a document that will be ready to share.
    d. Appointment of Canadian representative on the Fire Service Membership Council
        i. No report
    e. Five Star Fire Safe Community program in IL to be expanded across country. Task Group members are Paul, Pritchett and Michehl. (Paul)
        i. Making modifications and would like the task group to take another look before presenting to section.
    f. 20/20 & FLSS planning for the year 2020

11. New Business
    a. Vote on members to travel for International CRR Conference
        i. Chief O’Brian has elected to go. He and Chief Rogers have submitted their travel.

12. WHAT Report items (see list on next page, provide item and category from the list)
    a. Derek to check in with Communications staff to see if anything had been submitted and if anything needs to be submitted.
       i. Peg Paul submitted two articles before the deadline.
13. **Staff Report**
   a. Ordering pocket badge and business cards
      i. Michel: badge
      ii. Hoevelmann: badge
      iii. Hanson: badge and cards
      iv. Marshall: badge and cards
      v. Reynolds: badge
      vi. Zubia: cards
      vii. Appy: cards
   b. Challenge coins have been ordered
   c. USB Drives have been ordered
   d. Will be cancelling the board meeting calls and redoing under Derek’s name.

14. **Roundtable and Adjournment**
   a. Mark Chubb – Reminder that there was an outreach invitation from National Fire Chiefs Council and Vision 20/20. NFCC are interested in community safety and looking forward to learn from their American colleagues and colleagues across the UK.
      i. Recap of IFE – Installed Bruce Varner the former chief of Carrolton, TX, former assistant Chief in Phoenix, retired Chief from Santa Rosa CA as the International President. He’s the second American to hold that office. Mark has moved into the role of the Chair of the General Assembly which represents all the branches to the Board of Directors.
      ii. Main Discussions were dealing with aftermath of Grenfell Tower and the global implications problems with exterior cladding and combustible exterior elements on residential buildings.
         1. Discussions on how to be more responsive to the expectations of building owners, building residents and people with disabilities in the vulnerable populations living in these residences.
         2. Workshop on Community Safety. Define global terms of reference to understand how community safety is interpreted and applied in other countries.
   b. Mari-K Appy, Greg Rogers, and Mark Chubb will not be in Atlanta.

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**WHAT REPORT ITEMS ACCOMPLISHED BY THE FLSS & ITS BOARD**

**LEAD**

To LEAD by being the preeminent global advocate for the fire and emergency service on leadership, policy, management, and service delivery.

Goal 1a. Engage current/future fire and emergency service leaders to address the evolving and emerging challenges and opportunities.

Goal 1b. Provide forward-thinking leadership that recognizes and responds to emerging trends and opportunities.

Goal 1c. Provide innovative solutions to emerging trends.

Goal 1d. Advance the profession, advocate for inclusiveness, and improve the effectiveness of the fire and emergency service through communications and education.

**EDUCATE**

To EDUCATE current and future fire and emergency service leaders by providing training, education, and professional development opportunities.

Goal 2a. Make the knowledge, experience, and resources within the IAFC easily accessible for research and problem solving.

Goal 2b. Supplement, develop, enhance, and effectively deliver education, training, and professional development programs relevant to the membership.
Goal 2c. Facilitate career progression, mentoring, and succession management at all levels.
Goal 2d. Support leadership development throughout the fire service.

SERVE
To SERVE by providing relevant and timely services, products and resources to our membership, affiliates, and partners.
Goal 3a. Increase membership and participation through expanded opportunities.
Goal 3b. Promote and foster a culture of inclusivity to the IAFC membership.
Goal 3c. Provide IAFC products, resources and services that are both relevant and timely to existing and emerging issues, and topics important to the target audiences, affiliates, and partners.
Goal 3d. Strengthen the IAFC role in the global community as a resource for sharing best practices and knowledge based in real-world experience. Develop an effective international presence and delivery of value through the Association.
Goal 3e. Increase awareness and accessibility of the IAFC as the “go-to resource” for policy, advocacy, subject matter expertise, and support.
Goal 3f. Expand recognition to those showing exceptional or extended service to their organizations or the industry.

Inside the IAFC

Association News
News About Our Members
News About Our Staff
What Others Are Saying
  • SAMPLE: The Shakers sessions were by far my favorite part. The intentional time to provide discussion platforms was extremely insightful, especially for a couple of "young" chiefs.
  
  — Seth Miller, Executive Deputy Chief, Chattanooga (Tennessee) Fire Department