

FLSS Board Meeting
Notes
June 15 , 2022
2 PM Eastern

Board Members:

Chief Andy King, Chair
Chief Greg Rogers, Vice Chair
Chief Michael O'Brian, International Director
Chief Robert Marshall, Secretary / Treasurer
Chief Adolf Zubia, Immediate Past Chair
Chief Scott Moore, At-Large Board Member
Chief Ray Reynolds, At-Large Board Member
Chief Joe Powers, At-Large Board Member
Chief Elizabeth Bednarcik, At-Large Board Member
Chief Shawn Hanson, At-Large Board Member
Chief Mike Carsten, At-Large Board Member, Public Safety Specialty Rep.
Chief Kathy Clay, At-Large Board Member, Public Safety Specialty Rep
Karen Berard-Reed , Education Specialty Rep.
Howard Hopper, Engineering Specialty Rep
Peg Paul, Ex Officio Board Member
Vickie Pritchett, Ex Officio Board Member
Richard Roberts, Ex Officio Board Member

Guests:

Karl Fippinger ICC
Richard Miller IAFC Staff
Angie Wiese ICC

Blue on Teams Present Absent

Minutes taken Richard Miller
Meeting is recorded on Teams

- i. Meeting called to order by
 - i. Roll Call

- ii. Approval of the May in person minutes
 - i. Call for approval of past meetings Minutes
 - ii. Motion made by Ray Reynolds. Second Shawn Hanson
 - iii. Motion approved

- iii. Report from the Chair (Andy King)
 - i. Report CRR FLSS Meeting
 - ii. The vision of the Section
 - iii. Strategic Plan for the Section
 - iv. Fireworks Position Paper
 - v. Home Oxygen Fire Safety Position Paper
 - vi. FLSS Executive Committee no report

- iv. Report from the Vice Chair (Greg Rogers)
 - i. CRR Conference information – CRR Conference report out
 - ii. Plan for conference 2023 – May 23/24/25
 - a. CCR Committee will be sending out a call for proposals for the 2023 conference
 - b. Potential loss of \$60K
 - c. 2023 Site location moving forward
 - i. New members of the CRR planning committee
 - 1. UL and a Canadian member to join the planning committee
 - iii. FLSS Staging List established for members that can assist the FLSS
 - iv. Establish a new member of Board from the Canadian Division
 - v. Open discussion about the CRR and the success of event in Canada and the future of events in Canada.
 - vi. 2024 event most likely on West Coast
 - vii. 2025 location ideas are open
 - b. FRI Planning for Section Meeting and Board Meeting on August 25th starting at 1:30 pm
 - c. Alarm Association Dinner after Section Meeting

- v. Report from International Director (Michael O'Brian)
 - a. What a great conference of the CRR-L in Toronto last month. It was a great opportunity to meet with so many of you. A big thank you to all of our vendors, attendees and staff for supporting this program. The conference brought together experts from across the world on Community Risk Reduction and provided fantastic opportunity for our membership.
 - b. Fire Chief Ray Reynolds and Fire Chief Michael O'Brian (International Director) represented the section at the IAFC Strategic Planning (Phase II) in May. Both worked hard with our peers across the IAFC to build the strategic plan for the IAFC. The plan should be adopted by the IAFC Board of directors at FRI.
 - c. The section has moved a draft position paper on oxygen related fires as well as fireworks for the IAFC board of director consideration. Our hope is to educate our membership on the continued hazards
 - d. Finally, the section has created a staging list where we would like to que members that are looking to get actively involved in the section. If you are interested, please send an email to Richard Miller (FLSS Staff Rep) and request to be on our staging list.
 - e. I look forward to seeing you all at FRI 2022
 - f. **FRI Meeting and section meeting** FRI Registration is open and it's time to get ready for the IAFC annual meeting and conference. The FLSS will have an in person general membership meeting on August 25 at 1:30 pm. Register for FRI and plan on being at the

FLSS Section meeting <https://www.iafc.org/events/event/2022/08/24/default-calendar/fire-rescue-international-2022>

- g. **Section Elections** The section and IAFC elections for second vice president end on June 27, 2022. If you did not receive your ballot email noreply@directvote.net to make sure your voice is heard. You should have one ballot to cover our section and if you are a full IAFC member, the vote for Section Vice President of the IAFC
- h. **Nominations** The executive board is looking for nominations for the 2022 Excellence in Fire and Life Safety Award. The nominations are due to Richard Miller by June 29, 2022. The nomination should include a written letter and supporting documentation on the candidate.
- i. **Battery Work Group** The FLSS is leading the charge with the IAFC and Safety and Health section on preparing the fire service for responding and protecting battery related responses or occupancies. We have released an EV one page document and should release an ESS response document in the next couple of weeks. If you would like to be engaged in the workgroup, email Fire Chief O'Brian at mobrian@brightonareafire.com
- j. **ICC Group B Code Hearings and Annual Meeting** it is time for our fire service membership that are also ICC Governmental members to validate your voters for International Code Council (ICC). This process is open until mid-august and is necessary to vote at the annual meeting as well as participate in the group B governmental consensus voting. Visit www.iccsafe.org for more information.
- k. **Fire Prevention Week 2022** *Fire won't wait, plan your escape*, is the theme for #FPW2022 is from October 9-15, 2022. Plan your departments program now and visit NFPA's web page for tools and tips! <https://www.nfpa.org/Events/Events/Fire-Prevention-Week>

- vi. Report from Secretary/Treasurer (Robert Marshall)
 - i. Treasurer's report – FLSS Budget

- vii. Report on the ICC (Karl Fippinger) Angie Wiese
 - a. Angie Wiese
 - i. Code Hearing registration to validate voters - open until August 15th
 - ii. Code of Honor Scholarship applications open until June 30th
 - iii. Technology for ICC with new API interface program at the local level. New application allows for direct quote of code to Notices.
 - iv. Angie Wiese is up for Election in 2022 Board of Directors and requests the Section Support.
 - b. Karl Fippinger
 - 1. Report ICC Government Relations Monthly Update: <https://www.iccsafe.org/advocacy/gr-monthly-update/>
 - i. Award from ICC nomination needed ASAP
 - c. Motion made by Chief O'Brian to Support Angie's election to ICC for a letter of support
 - i. Second ?

1. Adolf Zubia - Discussion about others running for Board positions to ICC for Fire Service representatives to be included in support letter
 2. Ray Reynolds, I stand for the motion as is
 3. Chief Joe Powers discussion on support letters and recommendation process for these type of support letters. Greg Rogers agree we should evaluate a process for these.
- d. Motion vote – passed by all

Congratulations to Angie Wiese for promotion

viii. Vision 20/20 (Joe Powers)

- i. Vision 20/20 updating the plan
 1. New Steering committee established
 2. Strategy V implementation moving forward for codes and standards

Discussion about plan going forward and how it will be inclusive to all groups like ICC
 What were the outcomes for the Strategic plan for Vision 20/20

- ii. Vision 20/ 20 Next conference will be back in Murfreesboro

ix. Bylaws and Election (Howard Hopper)

- a. No bylaws
 - i. Discussion on potential change to add additional Board Members
- b. FRI Swearing in and Election report out at the FRI Section meeting
 - i. Election
 - ii. Electronic voting
 - iii. May 25 – Voting opens.
 - iv. June 27 – Voting closes.
 - v. August 24-26 – Official results announced at FRI.

x. NFPA Report (Karen Berard-Reed , Education Specialty Rep.)

- a. NFPA Conference report was a huge success with a great attendance
- b. Fire Prevention “Fire won’t Waite

xi. Old Business

- i. Chief Hanson and Fireworks Grant No report.
- ii. Peg Paul Section Communications Committee
 1. No specific report and working on the E-newsletter and social posting
- iii. Chief Shawn Hanson Goal and Mission Planning ongoing additional discussion at FRI

xii. New Business

- i. Open Discussion on FLSS
 1. Peg Paul Vision 20/20 Strategy V activities information will be provided.
 - a. From Vision 20/20 Steering Committee discussion: Keith Brower discussed the need to revisit Strategy 5: codes and standards for firefighter safety. Need more members of the fire service involved in codes and standards, too many from the industry involved. This generated a lot of interest among Steering Committee members. Many SC members volunteered to participate on this Joint Task

Force: Keith Brower (NFFF), Thomas Bryer (IAFF, the group currently overseeing work in this arena – Thomas welcomes additional involvement and support from Vision 20/20 partners); Karl Fippinger (ICC); Steven Sawyer; Mike Pritchard (USFA), Kevin Sehlmeier (IFMA); Kathy Clay (IAWF); Bruce Johnson (UL); Kevin Kuntz (ISO); Anthony Hamins (NIST); Chris Brunette (Strategy 1 Task Force). The task force met. Karl attended that meeting and can provide an update.

2. Richard Roberts has the Section been involved in International Code Development process with International Fire Service Members – how should the Section engagement with members. Set up a separate call
 - a. Richard Roberts, Mike O’Brian, Karl Fippinger, Howard Hopper
 - i. Discuss what the needs are with international partners
3. Howard Hopper – NFPA Technical Committee Howard Hopper testified on behalf of the FLSS at the recent NFPA technical session on CAM 855-5 that would exempt provisions for firefighting access and water supply for certain rooftop ESS installations.
 - a. Howard and others testified against this proposal, and it was not passed.

xiii. Staff Report –

- i. FRI Housing [FLSS FRI Board Meeting Hotel](#)
- ii. Section Meeting at FRI August 25th 1 pm to 4 pm open meeting starting at 1:30 for Member update, Election report, Swearing in new Officers, Awards
- iii. Section Staging list established
- iv. Discussion on hosting a Section Lunch at Noon, funding TBD

xiv. Roundtable and Adjournment –

Next Meeting July 20th, 2022 – TEAMS Call

FRI SCHEDULE-AT-A-GLANCE

<https://www.eventscribe.net/2022/FRI/agenda.asp?pfp=days&day=8/25/2022&theday=Thursday&h=Thursday%20August%2025&BCFO=PG>

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Fire & Life Safety Section Lunch

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Fire & Life Safety Section Annual Meeting