

FLSS Board Meeting

June 17, 2020

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
Daniel Finnegan, At-Large Board Member
Angie Wiese, At-Large Board Member
Chief Ray Reynolds, At-Large Board Member
Chief Ed Hadfield, At-Large Board Member

Chief Jason Hoevelmann, At-Large Board Member
Chief Shawn Hanson, At-Large Board Member
Chief Michael Whim, Public Safety Specialty Rep.
Meri-K Appy, Education Specialty Rep.
Howard Hopper, Engineering Specialty Rep.
Peg Paul, Ex Officio Board Member
Vickie Pritchett, Ex Officio Board Member
George Michehl, Ex Officio Board Member

Guests:

Chief Jo-Ann Lorber
Chief Joe Powers
Karl Fippinger

Meeting called to order – 2:01 PM EST

1. Approval of the May 2020 minutes

- a. Motion to approve May 2020 minutes by Angie Wiese, second by Chief Greg Rogers. Motion carries unanimously

2. Report from the Chair (Andy King)

- a. FRI FLSS Annual Meeting and Board Meeting will be virtual and looking to do two different days

3. Report from the Vice Chair (Greg Rogers)

- a. Update on CRRL Conference
 - i. Working with new staff contact to decide on in-person or virtual
 - ii. Looking at contract to see deadlines for making changes
 - iii. Want the planning committee to focus on content for CRRL conference

4. Report from International Director (Michael O'Brian)

- a. FRI has been officially cancelled
 - i. Playing dance with no in-person events for about another 12 months
 - ii. Getting briefed this week on what the virtual aspect may look like
 - iii. Does not expect a full slate conference
 - iv. Need to plan out online FLSS Annual Meeting
- b. Current financial status of IAFC
 - i. Board had to take drastic measures to get financially sound
 - ii. Board did not want to know the names or positions of those staff that were let go
 - iii. Board has tabled decision of hiring CEO but will come back up in time
 - iv. Financially FLSS is good to go with the numbers that were presented to IAFC Board
 - v. Changes are still to come

5. Report from Secretary/Treasurer (Robert Marshall)

6. Report on the ICC (Angie Wiese)

- a. MOU between FLSS and ICC went before the board in executive session, still need to work through a few questions with staff
- b. Cancelled annual meeting which has some domino effects with awards and board elections
- c. Covered a lot of ground over virtual meeting
- d. Got presentation from FEMA on what they are going to present to Congress
 - i. Taking a much stronger stance on the benefit of building codes as it relates to being able to sustain environmental hazards
- e. Board voted to approve name change of ICC Fire Service Award.
 - i. Robert W Gain Fire Prevention Leadership Award
- f. Code Council is going to stand up a task force to look at code changes due to COVID-19
- g. Still willing to have ICC award for FLSS meeting at Virtual FRI
 - i. Need about 1-2 months lead time for producing award

7. Report on iDELP (Shawn Hanson)

- a. iDELP is working on KnowledgeNet

8. Report on EFO (Jo-Ann Lorber)

9. Bylaws and Election (Howard Hopper)

- a. Bylaw changes for elections and board policy changes
 - i. Tabled for a different meeting
- b. Elections close today, June 17th
- c. Four policy changes proposed
 - i. Chief Greg Rogers makes a motion to adopt Board Policy #1 changes as shown in Howard Hopper's edits, Second by Chief Robert Marshall
 - ii. Board Policy #2 proposed change states that we cannot endorse candidates for board positions of IAFC sections or divisions
 1. Tabled so that Howard Hopper can make modifications
 - iii. Board Policy #4 proposed change was strictly editorial
 1. Chief Greg Rogers suggested adding in a bullet for the FLSS CRRL conference
 2. Chief Michael O'Brian suggests we just get rid of Board Policy #4
 3. Howard Hopper is going to revise the policy to show the different levels or partnership but take out the itemized lists of benefits
 - a. Derek Bullington to check with IAFC's levels of partnership to see if they fall in line with FLSS

10. Old Business

11. New Business

- a. Howard Hopper gave a brief overview of the new NFPA 855 Energy storage system standard
 - i. FLSS sent an email to the standards council urging to keep the fire safety requirements for ESS under the purview of the 855 committee
- b. FCAC has meeting tomorrow if anyone is interested in a work group let Chief O'Brian know
- c. George Michehl sent out a brochure on new tax law that allows sprinkler system installation and retrofits
 - i. Wants to know if the section would want to put their logo on the document and send it out to the FLS Section

12. WHAT Report items (see list on next page, provide item and category from the list)

- a. Members to provide anything that can be put on the list – Related to FLSS

13. Staff Report

14. Roundtable and Adjournment

- a. Mari-K shared that Vision 20/20 has just released six fire safety animations produced by Peg Paul and a team that included Vision 20/20, NFPA, and the United States Fire Administration
 - i. Designed for social media sharing
- b. Home Fire Sprinkler Week was a huge success as a Facebook Live event rather than webinar

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.

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- **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