



## FLSS Board Meeting

February 20, 2019

### Board Members:

Chief Andy King, Chair	Chief Ed Hadfield, At-Large Board Member
Chief Greg Rogers, Vice Chair	Chief Jason Hoevelmann, At-Large Board Member
Chief Michael O'Brian, International Director	Chief Michael Whim, Public Safety Specialty Rep.
Chief Stephen Hrustich, Secretary / Treasurer	Meri-K Appy, Education Specialty Rep.
Chief Adolf Zubia, Immediate Past Chair	Howard Hopper, Engineering Specialty Rep.
Daniel Finnegan, At-Large Board Member	Peg Paul, Ex Officio Board Member
Angie Wiese, At-Large Board Member	Vickie Pritchett, Ex Officio Board Member
Chief Ray Reynolds, At-Large Board Member	George Michehl, Ex Officio Board Member
Chief Mark Chubb, At-Large Board Member	

**Guest:** Chief Shawn Hansen, IDELP Representative  
Chief David Kerr, EFO Section Representative  
Chief Jo-Ann Lorber, EFO Section Representative

**Staff:** Russ Chandler, IAFC Staff, Program Manager

### 1. Approval of the January minutes:

- a. Rogers moved and Hrustich seconded to approve the January meeting minutes. Motion carried

### 2. Report from the Chair (Andy King)

- a. If you want to be in the group text, send Chief O'Brian your mobile number and you will be put on the list. Originally set up at FRI last year.
  - i. The recent group text was on the fatal fire (7) in Canada
- b. Discussion on the Kidde detectors that melted in Baltimore Fire. Recommended by Kidde to not use certain detectors. Possibility of our sending letter to Kidde, but more to come.
- c. Lifetime Achievement Award will be going to Jim Tidwell based on service to IAFC, FLSS and his code development work. To be given during the CRR Leadership Conference
- d. American Wood Council and CLT Buildings are interested in showing up at our meeting in Reno. They are looking for our support, would be suggested we invite and listen. Suggested that they may want to support our lunch. If they are to meet, would be nice to have an agenda in advance to be better prepared. But if they are sponsoring lunch just to discuss, agenda is not needed.
  - i. They are setting up a fire service advisory council. Will meet quarterly. Not sure who else is on but they did request Chief Zubia to be on that group. Their goals are:
    1. Identify fire service concerns involving wood construction and wood products
    2. Reduce occasions of large fires at construction sites
    3. Review training materials provided by American Wood Council to the fire service to increase effectiveness in both content and delivery
    4. Improve relationship between Fire Service and Wood Industry
  - ii. Letter had a note that this group was not there to advocate for or speak on behalf of the Wood Council. It is there to give unbridle comment.
  - iii. Chief Zubia will be sending results of that meeting to this Board.

- iv. Chief Reynolds mentioned that while serving on FCAC they brought up the need for research and data, repair data on use of wood. Question as to how to repair after fire. Was advised they cut out area, glue in new piece. Concerned that would be cosmetic and not structural. No good data provided yet but need response that these products will do as they indicate.
- e. Karl Fippinger ([kfippinger@iccsafe.org](mailto:kfippinger@iccsafe.org)) is the new Vice President, Fire and Disaster Mitigation, Fire Service Membership Council Liaison has reached out to us to keep the fire service engaged. He will be at the CRR Leadership Conference.
- f. MOU with IAFC and ICC needs to be updated, will be discussed later. If you have ideas on getting more involved into the Fire Service Membership Council, please let Chief King know.

### 3. Report from the Vice Chair (Greg Rogers)

- a. 2019 CRR Conference: Budget was sent out, please review the second version.
  - i. We are around \$47,000 in registration. Projecting about \$63,000.
  - ii. Sponsorships sold out and added four more tables, sponsors for every general session and key note speakers. Had projected \$20,000. Total now is \$34,000 thanks to assistance from members of this Board such as Vickie, Peg and Mary-K.
  - iii. Food functions went up \$7,000 to provide continental breakfast with coffee
  - iv. Speaker travel expense is about \$10,000 over because we expanded tracts and speakers, added experience for attendees.
  - v. Brochure was discounted
  - vi. Expenses \$74,000 and income will be \$82,000. Profit will cover Board member travel.
  - vii. On breakdown of registration, 26 are FLSS members, 47 are members of IAFC but not member of FLSS. 55 attendees are not members of IAFC or FLSS. With others such as vendors we have total of 206 registered now, projected to have 250 to 300 attendees.
  - viii. Vendors are Electrical Safety Foundation International, Emergency Reporting, First Alert, ISO, Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition, Jones and Bartlett Learning Public Safety Group, Columbia Southern University, NFPA, Inspections Report Online, National Fire Sprinkler Association, Omni Shield by GHS, Pioneering Technology, Tegriss Fire, UL, Streamline Automation Systems, and Virtual CRR. There are six more that we do not have room for at this time.
  - ix. Logistics:
    - 1. Saturday night planned joint dinner with IAFC Board. May start at 1830 hours. Huge opportunity to sit down and interact with the IAFC Board.
    - 2. Sunday morning Board meeting will start at 0900 hours to noon with conference lunch following.
    - 3. Minute by Minute plan to be provided by staff for Chief's O'Brian, Rogers and King.
    - 4. 1230 to 1245 need to have all Board members in a specific area.
    - 5. Conference starts at 1300 with Reno Fire Honor Guard doing the opening
    - 6. Opening comments from IAFC Chair Eggleston, Jim Crawford, and Key Note Speakers
    - 7. That evening there will be a vendor's reception. Need to make sure attendees are interacting with vendors, we want them to come back for future conferences. Board members will get one drink coupon for this event.

8. IAFC Staff is going to provide a list of attendees for Board members and for future conferences. Ed Cameau will be there in preparation for next year's 20/20 event.
  9. Vendor reception over at 1900 hours, dinner on your own
  10. Saturday, Sunday and Monday are when NFC Final 4 and Final will be in Vegas and Reno, so rooms are set up for other folks for those events. May want to get restaurant reservations in advance.
  11. Tuesday morning Chief Jenkins will do opening, Chief King to give award
  12. Breakout sessions then general meeting that afternoon. Minger Foundation will do a presentation.
  13. Planning Committee meeting on Tuesday noon for an hour on this conference and next year's 20/20 conference
- b. 2020 Conference (and moving forward to CRR 2021)
    - i. Partnership plan is to be in partnership next year's conference. Potential of moving that conference somewhere in Midwest to create central location and reduce cost. Staff may become the logistics manager for this event. Waiting for grant to decide, announcement will be made in Reno.
    - ii. Our conference will come back in 2021. Time to discuss to remain co-locating with WUI or go out on our own.
    - iii. Normally the IAFC puts call out for speakers which will be vetted through a committee. Will do this for next conference.
    - iv. If 20/20 does not get the grant we want to move forward on our own.
  - c. Members of the Board gave accolades to Chief Rogers for his phenomenal work on this conference. He advised it was a team effort with the IAFC conference folks.
4. **Report from International Director (Michael O'Brian)**
    - a. 2019 Building Safety Month - Sample Proclamation will be provided
  5. **Report from Secretary/Treasurer (Stephen Hrustich)**
    - a. From the fiscal standpoint we are doing very well, should be close to \$250,000 capital assets after the CRR Conference.
  6. **Report on the ICC (Angie Wiese)**
    - a. The ICC Board acted on registration for governmental members. Now you will only have to do this registration once per cycle.
    - b. Code hearings coming up on Group B, including Residential Code for New Mexico in April.
  7. **Report on iDELP (Shawn Hanson)**
    - a. iDELP application is open until March 22<sup>nd</sup> for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cohort and would like to encourage the promotion of the program.
  8. **Bylaws and Election (Howard Hopper)**
    - a. Deadline has passed and has all the packages on 5 candidates. Election committee to meet and release election package to be posted with Headquarters.
  9. **Old Business**
    - a. Chief Reynolds reported that using the IAFC position papers from FLSS, he was able to successfully defend and stop the bill proposed in Iowa to allow schools to disregard fire

alarms and barricade the classroom doors in any manner they saw fit. (All of which seemed a bad idea). Incidentally, the Senator who proposed the bill resigned shortly after our hearing.

- b. Chief Reynolds will be heading to Maryland for the AFG reviews.

#### **10. New Business**

- a. ERRC Policy Statement (**Finnegan**)
  - i. Dan Finnegan reported that SPC and NEMA have been working on the effect and application that have taken place across the country on the Emergency Radio Responder Communications Systems across the country. There have been some miscommunications. The two groups have gotten together and created the position paper that has been shared with the fire service. Purpose is to educate the fire service. Asking for FLSS to put a Position Paper together intended to educate the fire service and getting some recommendations for actions. We have seen the building codes cutting this standard out. They may not see the value. Finnegan has asked for a task group. He, Richard Roberts, Allen Perdue, Howard Hopper, Mike O'Brian, Andy King, and Bruce Johnston to put something together to present in March.
  - ii. George Michehl recommends we get the Building Officials and Law Enforcement in this process.
  - iii. Richard Roberts asked about the PowerPoint review. Chief King is in the process of review and will be sending out shortly.
- b. Building Safety Fellowship will be coming out. Scholarship with up to \$20,000. Chief Zubia has provided the information which will be sent out shortly.

#### **11. Staff Report**

- a. No report

#### **12. Roundtable**

- a. Peg Paul advised she is looking to do another testimonial ad. Looking for a fire service leader who would be a big advocate for a 13D, residential sprinkler systems; please contact her.
- b. Chief Hrustich advised that he will not be running for re-election as Secretary/Treasurer position he has some other projects in the works.
- c. Discussion on the CFSI, Chief King cannot attend but Chief Zubia volunteered.

#### **13. Adjournment**

*Respectfully submitted;*  
*Russ Chandler, Program Manager*