



## FLSS Board Meeting

May 22, 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 April minutes

- a. **Motion:** Michehl moved to approve the April minutes, seconded by Appy. **Motion carried.**

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

- a. Sprinkler Coalition meeting is also taking place today, some members at that meeting
- b. Chair reported on the Truman Symposium meeting in Florida. Good to have buy-in from so many and that we also have work to be done. There were 24 outcomes that need to be worked on, such as data, marketing ourselves, etc. The Truman Fire Prevention Paper from 1947 discussed fire prevention with Chamber of Commerce, but today most Chamber of Commerce do not have fire prevention as part of their operations. One suggestion was engaging suppression folks to be involved in CRR. Chair advised the attendees that IAFC/FLSS are leaders in CRR. Chair also gave accolades to speakers and to Vickie Pritchett for putting this all together.
  - i. Merry-K Appy brought up the need for using CRR in contrast to just prevention. It is important to name things and using this new terminology.
- c. NFSA conference went well, good mix of training and meeting vendors.
- d. Smoke Alarm position paper, we need to get the sub-committee back together. Smoke Alarm Summit discussed repeating the landmark study on detectors and CPSC is moving forward to making that happen. UL217 is coming and the fire service is not ready for this new technology.
- e. There will be a small focus meeting with Tall Wood folks on Saturday morning at FRI. Chandler to send out info from Chief Reynolds on tall wood information and responses from questions
- f. The meeting with The Monitoring Association folks will be on Thursday night at FRI, there will also be a meeting with EFO on Friday night.
- g. There was an Executive Committee meeting; discussed Tall Wood, smoke alarms, FCAC, specialty reps' positions and other items.

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

- a. Chief Rogers not available but Chair reported Vision 20/20 still working on conference for next year, no location reported yet. Discussion on the 20/20 and branding and the two groups working together. To add this on the agenda for next month.
- b. Board approved the certification template to be used for appreciation. Board recommended to get whatever frames are needed for the certs.

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

- a. Chief O'Brian posted several items on Facebook and Instagram. This is fire sprinkler appreciation week, great footage posted.
- b. If you receive info from Toronto, this is not an IAFC/FLSS issue, we will not be getting involved.
- c. Spoke at American Fire Alarm Association, great event.
- d. The Canadian Fire Chiefs Association representative position needs to be filled. We need someone involved that is uniformed and can talk codes to represent Canada and be involved in the ICC.
- e. O'Brian reported that the webinars are in the works.

**5. Report from Secretary/Treasurer (Stephen Hrustich)**

- a. Chair reported for the Treasurer that we have not heard back yet on the profit for the CRR Conference. Chief O'Brian advised that the numbers should be forthcoming.
- b. Chandler reported that the cost for hours for 2018 was applied to the 2018 budget.

**6. Report on the ICC (Angie Wiese)**

- a. Angie Wiese reported that the annual meeting for ICC is October in Las Vegas, registration is open now. She recommended registering early to get the best rates, also to get the hotel you may want
- b. The ICC annual report for 2018 is available and it is now available electronically ([iccsafe.org](http://iccsafe.org)), Wiese recommended looking at this and the site, there is a lot more than just the codes we are familiar with, you will see much more information about other things the ICC are doing.
- c. Building Safety and Security Committee meetings going well, receiving good feedback. Work groups on different topics are meeting. Canadian Fire Chiefs have not filled their position yet.
- d. Chair reported that if you do some quick research you will be able to see what is going on with the Building Safety and Security Committee, great to have Angie Wiese there to help us with topics coming up

**7. Report on iDELP (Shawn Hanson)**

- a. No report

**8. Report on EFO (Jo-Ann Lorber)**

- a. EFO just collaborated with VCOS on new Chief guidance document to go to the Board and will hopefully be out for FRI.

**9. Bylaws and Election (Howard Hopper)**

- a. No report

#### 10. Old Business

- a. Finnegan sent a report that they are still working on the Emergency Responder Radio Communication Systems
- b. Smoke Alarm Position Paper, Appy to provide more later.
- c. Five Star Fire Safe Community program in IL to be expanded across country. Task Group members are Paul, Pritchett and Michehl. Michehl advised that they will be meeting to move this along.

#### 11. New Business

- a. Marketing and Branding FLSS (Whim): Chief Whim reported that he is still waiting for feedback from all other sections. We have been giving luggage tags away in the past. Chief suggested the gum, chap stick and other items that could carry our logo. Challenge coins can come in wood, metal and ceramic. He also brought forward glow in the dark luggage tags.
  - i. If anyone has any strong ideas, please contact Chief Whim.
  - ii. **Motion:** Zubia moved seconded by Chubb, that up to \$1,000 and if necessary, Chair can approve an additional \$1,000 (max of \$2,000), to be spent on marketing items.
- b. Bic is seeking approval for a marketing plan on Bic lighters to include IAFC/FLSS
  - i. Chandler reported that some at Headquarters are concerned about safety issues with the lighters and is looking to see if FLSS wants to support. Discussion about some concerns for FLSS to be involved.
- c. Kidde has been approached to renew our contract.

#### 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.

#### 13. Staff Report

- a. Need for articles for OnScene and procedure to get volunteers and articles submitted.
- b. WHAT Report, when sending in an item to post, if you could provide the Goal number and letter it would be extremely beneficial.
- c. Those needing Pocket Badge in addition to Michehl and Hoevermann, please see contact Chandler for instructions for what is needed for each. Same for anyone needing business cards.
- d. Representative from Conference Team wants to speak to FLSS Board during June meeting. Discussion will be on the FRI for 2020.

#### 14. Roundtable and Adjournment

- a. Appy reported that Vision 20/20 in Washington DC focused on the need for emerging CRR leaders to step up. FLSS will be represented by Chief O'Brian, Rogers and Hrustich.
- b. There is \$1,000 stipend for travel to FRI for the FLSS Board meeting.
- c. Michehl reported that Illinois will have their residential sprinkler recognition day and hoping to have several in attendance, he will be representing FLSS and believes Paul will be there as well.

#### 15. Adjournment

- a. **Motion:** Michehl moved and Appy seconded to adjourn; ***motion carried*** at 1540 hours.

## 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