



Firefighters Employment, Standards, and Training Council Meeting  
 January 23, 2020  
 Daytona Beach, Florida

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:**

NAME	REPRESENTING	TERM ENDING
Carlos Aviles St. Augustine Fire	FL Fire Chiefs' Association	June 30, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Mike Bellamy Tallahassee Fire	State Fire Marshal	June 30, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Kasie Crowe Division of Forestry	Florida Fire Service	Jan. 31, 2023 (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)
Neal de Jesus Delray Beach Fire	FL Fire Chiefs' Association	June 30, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Shawn Hanson Greater Naples Fire Rescue	Florida Fire Marshals Association	Oct. 31, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Nick Herlihy North Port Fire Rescue	FL Professional FF Assoc.	Jan. 31, 2023 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Nicky Lovett Marianna Fire Rescue	Florida League of Cities	Jan. 31, 2023 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Rob McGilloway Coral Springs Fire Academy	State Fire Marshal	Oct. 11, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Jason Schneider Winter Garden Fire Dept.	FL Professional FF Assoc.	Jan. 31, 2023 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Randy Touchton	State Fire Marshal	June 30, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)

**ABSENT:**

Ralph Franklin Okeechobee County Fire	FL Association of Counties	June 30, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Teresa Kinstle Jacksonville Fire Rescue	State Fire Marshal	June 31, 2023 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Dr. David Lee Sylvester Comprehensive	State Fire Marshal	June 30, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Jim Millican Lealman Fire District	Florida Association Sp. Districts	Oct. 31, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)

The Firefighters Employment, Standards and Training Council meeting was called to order.

**On a motion duly made**, the minutes from the Firefighters Employment, Standards and Training Council held on November 14, 2019 were approved.

**Motion carried.**

**REPORT FROM DIVISION:** *given by Julius Halas, Director*

- Florida Fire Chiefs' has requested that the Fire/EMS ALS "Team of the Year" be added to the Annual Awards Ceremony.
- CFO Hero's Award
  - Honoring Excellent Rescues and Outstanding Emergency Services
  - This will be separate from the Fire Service Awards – this can be department member or citizen
  - Nominations should be sent to Director Halas
- Cabinet
  - Eight meetings scheduled for 2020
    - Feb 4
    - March 24
    - May 13
    - June
    - August
    - September
    - October
    - December
- Decon Kits
  - 4,550 Decon Kits have been given out
  - More being distributed
  - CFO/Fire House Subs MOU just under \$50,000 for more kits
  - CFO working with Legislative Affairs for advanced Decon Kits and training
- Annual Report
  - Will be printed next week and sent out
- EMS Advisory seat to be added to FFESTC

**On a motion duly made**, the Council will address a letter of support to Director Halas and Steve McCoy from the Department of Health to support added a seat to the Firefighters Employment, Standards and Training Council

**Motion carried.**

**On a motion duly made**, the Council will address a letter supporting the Decon Bill for recurring funds

**Motion carried.**

**REPORT FROM THE BUREAU:** *given by Michael Tucker, Bureau Chief*

- 2019 Firefighter Certifications
  - FFII – 47, 977
  - FFI – 24, 521 (160/206)
  - 44 Certified Training Centers
- FCDICE
  - Working on “clean-up” of training providers (those who are qualified to deliver training in Florida)
    - 513 departments
    - 405 organizations
    - 6,515 individuals
- Training 2019
  - 24,321 activities including class offerings, course approvals, and provider applications
  - Expired 6,133 old courses
  - Approved 2,610 new classes
  - 13,479 instructor approvals
  - Still working on S130/S190 updating of records
  - Departments can now run reports to see an individual’s records
- Safety Section 2019
  - 196 Volunteer Departments in FCDICE
  - 111 Combination Departments
  - These departments have been contacted and their information has been updated in FCDICE
- Student Services 2019
  - 5,200 students for the year.
- Volunteer Section
  - Round 1 of Volunteer Firefighter Grant – 368,000 awarded
  - Round 2 - 556,000 awarded
  - Contracts are being executed
- Rule Development

- Tomorrow (1/24) First Cancer Prevention Best Practices Workshop being held.
- Tomorrow (1/24) Firefighter Recruit Curriculum Listening Session. Rule Hearing will be held mid-February at the Fire College
- Fire Inspector – Second Rule Hearing completed Jan. 15, 2020 at the Fire College. It is now back with the SFM Legal team for review. Once reviewed it will go to JAPC for feedback. Should be live in 90 days
- ARFF – one workshop has been completed; second workshop being scheduled (this is a voluntary certification)
- Typed of Instructor – two workshops completed, Rule Hearing being scheduled
- Expansion of FSFC/Capital Improvement Plan
  - 50 acres across the street – building concept presentation has been made to Director Halas
  - Original campus (37 acres), working with DMS on finalizing phase III projects (expansion of dorms, additional office space, etc.)

**On a motion duly made**, the Council would like SFM/FSFC to look at a process where all providers would have to enter all classes into FCDICE with appropriate measurables.

**Motion carried.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Rob McGilloway, the Florida Fire Training Directors Association reported the FFTDA will be submitting a letter to the Bureau of Fire Standards and Training to open the rule for Live Fire.
  - 1403 updates
  - 1402 is now a standard not a suggestion

2019 Education Provider of the Year goes to Eastern Florida State College

- Mike Bellamy – February 12, 2020 at The Capitol, “Fire Ops on The Hill”
  - Interactive “show and tell” for Legislators. Partnering with FPF, SFM, Forestry, Tallahassee Training Center and Fire Department
    - Extrication
    - Door prop
    - Gear

- Drone Team
  - USAR
  - Etc.
- Thomas DiBernardo, EMS, FFIRS Panel – EMS officer training/curriculum has been completed and developed. FESHE and USFA has an EMS “track”. That curriculum is being used as the core. Because there are enough credits included for a two-year degree, it comes out from under DOE’s responsibility and get into 300/400 level classes which are bachelors. Unfortunately, that loosens the control for curriculum where each school has the right to submit their own EMS officer curriculum. The EMS Council is now looking at offering the program through the Florida State Fire College. If that decision is made, Chief DiBernardo would like the support of the Council.

**On a motion duly made**, Neal deJesus was voted Chairman of the Firefighters Employment, Standards and Training Council for another term.

**Motion carried.**

**On a motion duly made**, Randy Touchton was voted Vice Chairman of the Firefighters Employment, Standards and Training Council for another term.

**Motion carried.**

**AUDIENCE:** None

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, April 8, 2020  
Ocala, FL or via conference call

**ADJOURN.**

*Audio file available upon request*