

NH Fire Standards and Training Commission**MEETING MINUTES** *(Approved)***June 7, 2018**

9:00AM

Richard M. Flynn Fire Academy, Dormitory classrooms 5 & 6

98 Smokey Bear Boulevard

Concord, NH 03301

FST Commission members present:

Jeremy Thibeault (Chair), Richard Bailey, Jr., William Campbell, Stephen Carrier, Ashley Frame, Peter Lennon, Kevin Pratt, and Nancy Smith **(8)**

FST Commission members not present:

Robert M. Buxton, Justin Cutting, J. Michael Joyal, Kerry M. LeBlanc, Richard McGahey, and Steven Sherman **(6)**

Excused: J. William Degnan **(1)**

Division of Fire Standards and Training & EMS Staff:

Director Deborah Pendergast, Assistant Director Jeffrey Phillips and June Connor **(3)**

Guest:

Chief Allan Clark from Sugar Hill (pending representative for NHAFC) **(1)**

NOTE: "Action items" are in bold red.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Item 1. The meeting was called to order at 9:23AM when a quorum of 8 people was present. Commissioner Lennon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. REPORTS (See attachments)

(No report was submitted from the Fire Marshal's Office.)

- Commissioner Pratt asked for clarification about PFOA testing regarding surface and/or sub-surface testing. Sub-surface testing will be done. He pointed out that Senator Shaheen will be back in NH over the summer and is very concerned about the state not doing enough to protect well water.
- Town of Epsom update – A revised paramedic job description was submitted that does not include any fire suppression duties. This case is now closed.

III. APPROVAL MINUTES

Item 1. **A motion was made (Smith/Carrier)** - *to approve the minutes for the May 3, 2018 meeting*; passed unanimously.

IV. SUB-COMMITTEES

Item 1. Administrative Rules Sub-Committee

This group met right after the May 3rd regular FST Commission meeting, and the minutes are posted on the web.

Summary – Two meetings are needed to receive input before the Phase II drafting of the rules begins. The topics were divided up amongst the committee members. An issue statement will be developed to send out to interest groups, hopefully with a short accompanying survey. This will be worked on over the summer.

Item 2. Curriculum Review Sub-Committee

This sub-committee has yet to meet.

Agenda items: Retraining for programs other than FFI or II; the impact of high school programs, and Standard Error of Measurement.

AC Phillips will reach out to the members to arrange a meeting date.

Item 3. Academy Awards

Director Pendergast announced the recipient for this year's Academy Award; the name has been withheld from these minutes in the interest of keeping it confidential prior to the ceremony on September 24th.

Award of Excellence

V. OLD BUSINESS

Item 1. Standard Error of Measurement update

The public comment period is over. (See IV. Item 2 above)

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Item 1. The Haz Mat NFPA 1072 Visiting Committee has been approved. The De-Con portion is finished and AC Phillips will be meeting with the members to discuss the transition from 472 to 1072; the entire ProBoard testing aspect has to be reviewed.

Haz Mat Tech and Operations has not convened yet.

Item 2. (added to agenda by Chair Thibeault) Because a couple of FST commissioners cannot get to meetings before 9:30AM, the group discussed adjusting the meeting times accordingly.

A motion was made (Campbell/Smith) - *to adjust the FST Commission meeting start times to 9:30AM*; passed unanimously.

June Connor will adjust the web page and agendas.

VII. GOOD OF THE ORDER

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING: September 6, 2018

REMAINDER OF 2018 SCHEDULE:

- November 8, 2018

Notes prepared by June Connor, Administrative Assistant I