# Fire Education Advisory Commission Division of Fire Safety September 26, 2018

#### Minutes

The Missouri Fire Safety Education / Advisory Commission works to provide training and continuing education to the fire service throughout Missouri.

#### Portions of this meeting may be closed pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (11 & 12)

Fire Education Advisory Commission: Tim Dorsey, Mike Marlo, Alan Braun, Greg Brown, Todd Gray

Staff: Greg Carrell, Greg Landwehr, Debbie Plank, Kim Fitzsimmons, Tim Bean, Sherry Hoelscher

Guests: Kevin Zumwalt, Corey Ireland, Chuck Perry

Called to order – 10:05 a.m. by Tim Dorsey

#### Approval of Minutes from 6/19&20/18:

Motion – Alan Braun Second – Todd Gray, motion unanimously approved

#### **Division Updates** -

- Department leadership changes were explained by Greg Carrell.
- Budget outlook The Division's request is for replacement vehicles for field staff, along with additional Boiler Inspectors for the St. Louis and Kansas City areas. Investigation and Inspection Unit software programs are also being requested through OA/ITSD.
- Legislative outlook- Greg Carrell explained the Division has not yet received clear direction on the DPS legislative package for the new session. The Division is hoping to be able to support initiatives involving presumptive cancer for the fire service along with increased safety issues within the boiler, elevator, and amusement ride programs.
- Current open positions:
  - Fire Inspector Region F
  - o Fire Investigator Regions A & D
  - Office Support in Investigation Unit
  - Elevator Safety Unit Deputy Chief
- Training Program Update See Becky's report. Becky was attending the National Association of Fire Training Directors Conference therefore Greg

Landwehr gave the report for the Training Unit. Greg Landwehr discussed the new standards of 1001 and 1072. Todd asked about the status of the minimum training standard for fire fighters. Greg Carrell stated legislation has been drafted for this initiative with careful consideration to the impact of smaller/volunteer departments. Additional guidance is needed from DPS and the Governor's Office.

Todd asked if the Division staff keeps track of the same student retaking courses which are funded through the Commission. Kim stated that some students retake the funded Fire Fighter I and II course multiple times. Alan requested the Training Unit verify the number of individuals repeating the funded courses.

## FY18 Contract Year-End Summary Report- no questions

# FY19 Summary of Contracted Training Funds as of 9/26/18:

		Contracted	Expended	Available
•	Fire Ed & GR:	\$720,439	\$36,795	\$0
•	CEPF:	\$79,948	\$0	<u>\$0</u>
•	Total Funds:	\$800,387	\$36,795	\$0

Tim Dorsey and Alan Braun asked the staff to contact the training partners who do not reply with a status report to let them know they are in violation of their contract. This information will be made known to the board. Everyone was in agreement.

## <u>Training Partners Summaries</u> – Please see attached.

Chuck Perry gave a report on classes being held at MCC-Blue River. All contract classes will be completed by early spring.

Kevin Zumwalt stated courses started in July. MUFRTI is wanting to do one Basic Fire Fighting and one Cancer Awareness class in each region during the year. They are working with Douglas County to get the Fire Fighter Live Burn skills complete. Six new online courses added in the coming year. MU received a new burn trailer from O'Fallon Fire Protection District. The new Hazardous Material standard for the online Awareness course will be implemented in the coming year.

Corey Irelan stated his team was in the planning stages of determining where the classes would be held.

Todd had questions regarding the format of the Three Rivers College report. Sherry explained that Jack was traveling at the time and had some difficulty getting the information in the standard format.

Todd asked that in the future the Training Partner Status reports be emailed to the Commission members a few days prior to the meeting to allow them to review the information prior to the meeting.

#### **Other Business:**

- MERC Meeting Update Tim Bean gave a report regarding the upcoming MERC meeting. He, Becky and Greg Landwehr would be taking the thoughts of the Commission to the MERC regarding coordinating training.
- Veterans Initiative Update Tim Bean stated the initiative is being revisited.
  The Division may only have one or two per year in the future.

Chief Mike Marlo made a formal announcement that effective December 31, 2018 he is retiring from Wentzville Fire Department and the Fire Education/Advisory Commission. He thanked the Commission, the State Fire Marshal and the Division staff for working with him over the years. Everyone thanked Mike for his dedication and commitment to the Commission.

Alan discussed the need for additional Commission members. Greg Carrell stated he has also mentioned the need to fill the vacancies on the Commission. Alan stressed the importance of representation from all over the state.

Greg Carrell spoke about the Korean wildland fire seminar in Wentzville. The event was a huge success and may lead to other such events.

Motion to adjourn - Alan Braun Second - Mike Marlo, motion unanimously approved

> Date Next Meeting: Dec. 17, 2018 10:00 am