

Fire Education Advisory Commission  
Division of Fire Safety  
December 14, 2016

*Minutes*

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

**Attending:**

*Fire Education Advisory Commission: Tim Dorsey, Alan Braun, Larry Young, Todd Gray, and Greg Brown*

*On the phone: Mike Marlo*

*Staff: Greg Carrell, Sherry Hoelscher, Bill Zieres, Becky Trapani, Greg Landwehr, Kim Fitzsimmons, John Loveless, and Dee Dee Edwards*

*Guests: Jack Armor, Kraig Bone, Lyn Morgan, Dave Hedrick, Kevin Zumwalt, Gail Hagans, Corey Irelan, and Chuck Perry*

**Approval of Minutes from 9/1/16:**

*Motion – Todd*

*Second – Larry*

*In Favor - All*

*Division staff will post on website.*

**Division Updates**

- Budget updates for FY17 – *Sherry reviewed with the group.*
  - Withholdings for FY17 still in place:
    - \$38,000 for contracted training funds
    - 3 Fire Safety Inspectors to assist with implementation of new law
    - Replacement fleet vehicles.
    - Continued poor State revenues so unlikely withholdings will be released.
  - Budget requests for FY18 to include:
    - Funding for new workers comp grants
    - Additional training staff
    - Salary increases for technical staff
    - Replacement fleet vehicles.
    - These requests will be reviewed by new administration
- Legislative updates –*Greg reviewed with the group*
  - Changes to amusement ride law to include water slides
  - Minimum training standards for fire service. This would be similar to Basic Fire Fighter, and not include testing or certification.

- Increase fees for explosives used to support the Divisions Blasting program. Met with blasting board to obtain industry support.
- Division staff updates – *Greg went over*
  - Kim Fitzsimmons – Training Technician II
  - Ian Graham – Investigator, Johnson County
  - Dawn Urban – Transferring from Boiler program to Administration, replacing Cathy Scribner (retiring)
  - Julie Carey – Transferring from Elevator program to Boiler program

Open positions include:

- Fire Investigator in Jefferson County
  - Elevator Safety Inspector in St. Louis area
  - Deputy Chief of Inspections
  - Deputy Chief of Training & Certification
  - Office Support Asst in Elevator Safety program
- Training Program Update – Attached in Training Partner Summaries

**FY17 Summary of Contracted Training Funds Available:**

▪ Fire Ed & GR:	\$622,831	Expended to Date: \$210,709.56
▪ CEPF:	\$83,645	Expended to Date: \$20,343.00
▪ Total Funds:	\$706,476	Expended to Date: \$231,052.56

**Training Partners Summaries** - Please see attached. *Sherry reviewed with the group*

*Becky gave the Division's report – Larry commented on the KC class and the skills for Rope 2 and the thought that more skills need to be considered. He suggested the Division work with subject matter experts who are representative of the whole State.*

*Becky mentioned to serve as an Evaluator you must be certified at level you are evaluating, as well as an Instructor I and take an Evaluator class.*

*NFA classes – Becky explained the classes which the Division has been hosting and coordinating. Some of the training partners will be able to teach and host the NFA classes as well.*

*All of the classes have been posted on the Division's calendar on the website.*

*Chuck Perry spoke regarding the MCC Blue River report. Chuck and Doug Goodings attended the Live Fire training class in Colorado. MCC Blue River will also be conducting NFA classes via the Division.*

*Corey Ireland spoke regarding the Pattonville/Blue Card report. Corey indicated some people are partially funding on their own registration. Jefferson City Fire Department will be hosting in early 2017.*

*Bill spoke regarding PFFIA's conference report.*

*Jack Armor spoke regarding the report from Three Rivers Community College. Jack stated they will use all their funding and will not have enough CEPF funds to conduct all the hazmat certification tests needed. All funds are obligated to each of the vendors, and will have a shortfall, so would like to be considered for additional funds if they become available.*

*Dave spoke regarding the MUFRTI report. Dave stated the contract is over-obligated and would like to be considered for additional funding should it become available. Dave also passed out the Winter Fire School brochure. Dave thanked the Division for the partnership with the Instructor's conference. He also thanked the Division and the Commission for the Phil Sayer initiative with Winter Fire School.*

*Larry asked if anyone had Active Shooter training. Greg Carrell mentioned the National State Fire Marshal's discussion regarding the subject. Fire service is getting left behind in this training area and it is a concern for both rural and urban areas. Chuck Perry mentioned MCC-Blue River has training at their campus. Also, Corey Irelan mentioned they had training in their area.*

**Phil Sayer Scholarships** – Sherry reviewed with the group

- Applications received to date: 12
- Deadline: January 9<sup>th</sup>
- Sherry will send out spreadsheet of all qualified applicants following the deadline for a Commission vote.

**Other Business**

- *Board Appointments, Elections, & Ethics Reports*
- *Previous transitions have required to board members to re-apply for positions. We have not yet received information on this. Staff will try to find out more.*
- *Ethics reports will be coming out after January 1. Watch for and submit to avoid the penalty.*
- *Alan addressed concerns regarding following the Roberts Rules of Order regarding electing a chair when positions on the Commission change. He suggested the Division staff request legal guidance on the issue. Greg suggested we look at after the transition dust settles, rather than holding an election now and then holding another soon after if there are other possible board changes.*
- *Alan stated he has been trying to find someone from the insurance industry, preferably outside the central Missouri area. Greg mentioned we had others submit but were never selected.*
- *Jack stated Todd Richardson and 45 legislators will be looking at the fire program at Three Rivers College.*

*Motion to adjourn Todd*

*Second Greg*

*All in favor*

**Date for Next Meeting:  
10:00 a.m. March 15, 2017**