Date: December 27, 2013

To: Ronny J. Coleman, Chairman
Statewide Training and Education Advisory Committee
c/o State Fire Training

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Subject/Agenda Action Item: Waldorf College - State Fire Training Course Articulation

Recommended Actions: Information/Discussion

Background Information:

Rodney Daniels, an Education Representative approached Chief Ronny Coleman at the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) Conference regarding establishing a line of communication regarding an articulation agreement between Waldorf College and State Fire Training (SFT). Staff contacted Mr. Daniels and has been engaged in an open dialogue and has been providing course information. Waldorf College has been evaluating SFT course material.

Analysis/Summary of Issue:

Once the articulation agreement has been approved by both schools and the Registrar’s office has completed the course(s) evaluations, a current Waldorf or prospective student could receive credit for courses already completed via SFT. Receiving college credit for courses completed could result in a shorter time period for completing either an AA, BS, or BAS degree or a combination of the three.

A list of the courses under review is not available at this time. However, the areas include: Fire Command, Fire Apparatus, Hazardous Materials, Fire Instructor, Fire Prevention, and Fire Fighter. Waldorf College is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Waldorf College’s Bachelor of Fire Science Administration Degree is FESHE Recognized. More information on Waldorf College can be found at http://waldorf.edu/online.