State Board of Fire Services

MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, May 24, 2018
CAL FIRE - Office of the State Fire Marshal
1131 ‘S’ Street, Sacramento CA

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Dennis Mathisen, State Fire Marshal, CAL FIRE - Office of the State Fire Marshal
Jerry Davies, Insurance Industry
Anne Walker, Fire District
Janet Barentson, Chief Deputy Director, CAL FIRE
Cliff Allen, CAL FIRE Firefighters, Local 2881
* Robert Magee, City Government
* Russell Rawls, California State Firefighter Association
* Brian K. Rice, California Professional Firefighters
* Michael Smith, California Fire Chiefs Association
* David Gilloite, International Association of Firefighters
* Frank Lima, California Labor Federation
* Dan Terry, California Fire Fighter Joint Apprenticeship Committee

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Mark Ghilarducci, California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services
Steve Kovacs, Fire Districts Association of California

STAFF:
Michael Richwine, Assistant State Fire Marshal
Andrew Henning, Division Chief, State Fire Training
Greg Andersen, Division Chief, Code Development and Analysis
Steve Hawks, Deputy Chief, Planning and Risk Analysis
Kevin Chan, Special Assistant to the State Fire Marshal
Scars of Vail, California Office of Emergency Services
Taral Brideau, California Fire Fighter Joint Apprenticeship Committee
Yvonne de la Peña, California Fire Fighter Joint Apprenticeship Committee (CFF JAC)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dennis Mathisen called the meeting to order at 10:00. Roll was called.
Quorum established at 10:06 am.

B. Approval of the State Board of Fire Services (SBFS) minutes from February 22nd, 2018 meeting.
(Discussion/Public Comment/Action) [Attachment 1]

Dennis Mathisen opened the floor for discussion on the February 22nd, 2018, SBFS meeting minutes.
Motion – Gilloite made a motion to approve. Williams second the motion.
Board members unanimously approved the February 22nd, 2018, minutes at 10:06 am.
II. CONSENT ITEMS

A. State Fire Training Division

1. Glendale Fire Department Accredited Local Academy (ALA) Application  
   (Discussion/Public Comment/Action) [Attachment 2]  
   Seeking SBFS approval for accreditation of Glendale Fire Department as an Accredited Local Academy (ALA)

   **Motion – Williams made a motion to approve. Walker second the motion. Board members unanimously approved at 10:12 am.**

2. Vallejo Fire Department Accredited Local Academy (ALA) Application  
   (Discussion/Public Comment/Action) [Attachment 3]  
   Seeking SBFS approval for accreditation of Vallejo Fire Department as an Accredited Local Academy (ALA)

   **Motion – Williams made a motion to approve. Walker second the motion. Board members unanimously approved at 10:12 am.**

III. PROGRAM and ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. State Fire Training Division

1. Mission Alignment Objectives

   Andrew Henning

   A. Curriculum Development and Delivery

   i. Incident Safety Awareness for Hired Vendors Curriculum  
      (Discussion/Public Comment/Action) [Attachment 4]  
      Seeking SBFS approval of the new Fire Services Training and Education Program (FSTEP) Incident Safety Awareness for Hired Vendors curriculum materials.

      **Motion – Williams made a motion to approve. Barentson second the motion. Board members unanimously approved the curriculum at 10:13 am.**

   ii. Emergency Vehicle Tech Instructor Requirements  
       (Discussion/Public Comment/Action) [Attachment 5]  
       Seeking SBFS approval of the new FSTEP Emergency Vehicle Tech Instructor Requirements

       **Motion – Gillotte made a motion to approve, Lima second the motion. Board members unanimously approved the requirements at 10:15 am.**

   iii. Emergency Vehicle Technician Curriculum  
        (Discussion/Public Comment/Action) [Attachment 6]  
        Seeking SBFS approval of the new FSTEP Emergency Vehicle Technician curriculum materials.

        **Motion – Smith made a motion to approve. Williams second the motion. Board members unanimously approved the curriculum at 10:16 am.**

   iv. CICCS 2018 Qualification Guide  
       (Discussion/Public Comment/Action) [Attachment 7]  
       Seeking SBFS approval of the new CICCS 2018 Qualification Guide.

       **Motion – Williams made a motion to approve. Walker second the motion. Board members unanimously approved the guide at 10:40 am, with the understanding that there will be a delayed implementation of the curriculum and the State Board of Fire Services will be kept advised.**

   v. Damage Inspection Curriculum  
      (Discussion/Public Comment) [Attachment 8]  
      Informational only

   vi. S-219 Ignition Operations Curriculum  
       (Discussion/Public Comment) [Attachment 9]  
       Informational only
IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Position Statement on SBFS/CHP Cooperation

Janet Barentson

(Discussion/Public Comment) [Attachment 10]
Informational only

California Highway Patrol’s new Assistant Commissioner Scott Silsbee, declined to sign the MOU due to concerns about liability. A recommendation was made for Chief Andrew Henning to reach out and meet with Assistant Commissioner Silsbee.

B. SBFS Work Plan Meeting

- D. Mathisen, J. Davies, M. Williams, A. Walker

(Discussion/Public Comment)
Informational only

State Board of Fire Services developed a work plan to reach out to the California community at proven venues, namely county fairs, to educate the public on fire safety. The plan involves the use of media and social media as a part of the outreach and to help create a brand for the State Board of Fire Services.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Tall Wood Buildings (Informational only)

- Greg Andersen

Greg Andersen made a presentation on the 2018 International Building Code regarding Tall Mass Timber Buildings. To summarize, Tall Wood Buildings would be added to Type IV construction.

B. DINS Data Analysis Update (Informational only)

- Steve Hawks

Steve Hawks made a presentation on the Damage Inspection (DINS) data analysis. The data collected suggests that California Building Code Chapter 7A and defensible space reduce the number of damaged and destroyed structures.

C. State Fire Marshal HQ Relocation (Informational only)

- Kevin Chan

The Office of the State Fire Marshal will be relocating in June. The new address will be 2251 Harvard Street, Sacramento, CA 95815.

D. SBFS Statute Language Clean-up (Informational only)

- K. Chan, D. Mathisen

The Office of the State Fire Marshal would like to have the language for the State Board of Fire Services statute cleaned up. The current statute is inconsistent in listing the number or members and makes it difficult to establish a quorum.

IV. MEMBERS ORGANIZATION UPDATES

Jerry Davies reported that the California Fire Safe Council is open for grant applications. The amount has been increased to $250,000.

It was announced that Cliff Allen has been appointed as the new president of CAL FIRE Local 2881 and Brian K. Rice has been appointed as the new president of the California Professional Firefighters.

Chief Janet Barentson reported that the Governor’s Office has issued executive order B-52-18 to protect communities from wildfire by improving forest management and restoration, reducing barriers for prescribed fire, boosting education and outreach to landowners, and supporting wood products innovation. Chief Barentson also reported that the 2008 Strategic Fire Plan is under review.
David Gillotte reported that the International Association of Fire Fighters will be conducting the upcoming Fire Ops 101 event at the 86th Annual Meeting of the United States Conference of Mayors on June 8th, 2018. Gillotte also reported that HR 931, the Firefighter Cancer Registry Act of 2018, has passed the Senate.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment received.

VI. MEETING DATES

A. Meeting dates for 2018 are: February 22nd, May 24th, August 23rd and November 15th (moved up one week due to the holiday.) There may be an extended meeting to conduct training for Board members on The Bagley Keene Open Meeting Act and the Parliamentary Procedure.

VII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion – Williamson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Walker second the motion. Board members unanimously approved at 11:52 pm and meeting was adjourned.

This notice has been posted on the Office of the State Fire Marshal web site at http://osfm.fire.ca.gov/boardfireservices/boardfireservices.php

Copies of the written materials will be made available to the public at the meeting location, Office of the State Fire Marshal, 2251 Harvard Street, Suite 400, Sacramento, CA 95815. Meeting access was also available at the following addresses:

1780 Creekside Oaks Drive, Sacramento, CA 95833
16 Highland Circle, Chico, CA 95926
Lakeland Village Community Center, 16275 Grand Ave., Bldg “D”, Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

For information concerning the Board meeting, please contact Kevin Chan at (916) 568-3800 or kevin.chan@fire.ca.gov.

Any written reports being provided to the Board members in advance of the public meeting will also be available to the public upon request.

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