

## MINUTES OF MEETING

<b>Purpose of Meeting:</b>		Fire Standards Council March 2013 Meeting	
<b>Date:</b>	March 20, 2013	<b>Location:</b>	Videoconference/Teleconference <a href="https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/827170469">https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/827170469</a>
<b>Time:</b>	11:30 –12:30pm		<b>Online Access Code:</b> 827-170-469
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<b>I. Call to Order - Chair – Buddy Lane</b>		1135	
House rules – Chair – Buddy Lane - Review Coffee, cell phones, breaks.			
<b>II. Roll Call - Chair – Buddy Lane</b>			
Seat A/Greg Coon- Vice Chairman Seat B/Bryan (Buddy) Lane- Chairman Seat C/ Sara Garcia *Seat D/ VACANT (as of 2/13/13) Seat E/ Bryan Crisp Seat F/Chris Steeves* Seat G/ Arlen Skaflestad	Seat H/ Robert Dennard* Seat I/ John Downes Seat J/ David Gibbs* *Seat K/ Jan Mitchell  Admin.-Gordon Descutner Admin.- Aubrey Raby	<b>*Absent/ excused</b>	
<b>III. Approval of Agenda – Chair – Buddy Lane – Action</b>			
Arlen moves to approve agenda. Crisp seconds motion. Seat K is not vacant, as indicated on the original agenda. Jan Mitchell is filling that seat and is on the phone. Motion passed in unanimous.			
<b>IV. Public Participant Recognition- Chair – Buddy Lane- Action</b>			
Tyler Bones			
<b>V. Review Council Standards Approval Process – Buddy Lane – Report</b>		<b>Exhibit 2</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Descutner -Review process for clarification of where reports are and what happens after adoption</li> </ul>			
<b>VI. Technical Advisory Committee- Progress Reports</b>			
Descutner suggests having new business A moved up to allow Bones to report before his time runs out. No objections.			
<b>VII. Public Comment Period</b>		<b>1140</b>	
A. General Public Comment not otherwise listed			
<b>VIII. Old Business – Chair – Buddy Lane – Reports and Action Items</b>			
A. Review/Adopt NFPA 1670: <i>Standard on Operations and Training for Technical Search and Rescue Incidents</i> , 2009 Edition. Previously reviewed and recommendation to adopt in February; tabled for public comment. No public comment was submitted to AFSC Admin.		<b>Exhibit 3</b>	
B. Crisp- No public comment has been received. Recommends adoption of 1670 in entirety in addition to 1476.			
C. Coon moves to adopt, Skaflestad seconds. Passed in unanimous.			
<b>IX. New Business – Chair – Buddy Lane - Reports and Action Items</b>			
A. <b>Review/Adopt NFPA 472- <i>Standard for Competence of Responders to Hazardous Materials/Weapons of Mass Destruction Incidents</i>, 2013 Edition.</b> This is an update to existing AFSC directives. No public comment for 472 was submitted to AFSC Admin.		<b>Exhibit 4</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bones- Great committee members representing whole state. Number 5 of Exhibit 4 shows a few things worthy of note. Feels current policy of trainers meets the requirements (Instructor I and certified at level teaching.) Proceed with adoption of 472 2013 in entirety. Number 8 of Exhibit 4 has a reference to AHJ defined as local FD. Number 9 of Exhibit 4 references recertification</li> </ol>			

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<p>requirements. Recommends letting the employer track and enforce.</p> <p>2. Coon moves to adopt, seconded by Skaflestad. Passed in unanimous.</p> <p>3. Descutner recognized Bone's efforts to complete review in short time frame.</p>	
<p><b>B. Review/Adopt NFPA 1001- Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, 2013 Edition.</b> This is an update to previous edition. This is an update to existing AFSC directives.</p> <p>No public comment for 1001 was submitted to AFSC Admin.</p> <p>1. Coon- No changes to items 1-5. Number 6 of Exhibit 5, committee feels the standard will improve safety of firefighters. Number 7 of Exhibit 5 would result in new field skills of testing. Number 8 of Exhibit 5 AHJ defined as local Fire Department. Number 10 on Exhibit 5 subject matter experts were consulted. Committee recommends keeping the public education module in FFI in the State of Alaska. Number 11 of Exhibit 5, committee recommends maintaining the requirement of donning PPE in 1 minute. Committee recommends adopting with keeping 6.5.2 in FFI and also keep the 1 minute requirement of 5.1.2.</p> <p>2. Crisp-Moves to adopt 1001 2013 edition. Seconded by Skaflestad.</p> <p>3. Coon- Chose to recommend keeping 1 minute. NFPA chose to strike this requirement to encourage accuracy instead of speed. For those of the committee who have conducted training over the years, they found that in order to develop efficiency students had to also develop proficiency. The last thing they want people to do is to be unfamiliar with either their PPE or SCBA. Feels the 1 minute requirement causes familiarity of equipment.</p> <p>4. Descutner- Many states are taking the same stance as what the committee is recommending. Still needs to be clear measurement criteria for testing.</p> <p>5. Lane- Feels the opposite is true. Feels candidates are rushing too much to put the PPE on in the 60 second requirement. Recommends a longer than 60 seconds time requirement.</p> <p>6. Coon- Moves to amend the motion to include pub ed requirement to FFI. Crisp seconds. Passed in unanimous.</p> <p>7. Coon -Moves to amend to include the 1 minute time requirement for 5.1.2. and 5.3.1. Downes seconds. Lane- no data on impact? Descutner- No history of problems resulting in candidates requiring additional remedial paperwork. Lane- Any data to injury in field due to improper donning? Skaflestad- Agrees with Buddy. The 1 minute results in a lot of frustration and discouragement for candidates. We have not had an issue meeting the 1 minute, but feels the requirement is detrimental to the emotional stability of candidates. Descutner- Recognizes that the requirements are challenging, but candidate training goal should be to gain proficiency by test date. Proficiency is developed by the end of the course. Coon- All points are valid. Everyone knows you are going to be tested on it, and everyone knows it takes a long time to get proficient. Having the time requirement forces the candidates to</p>	<p align="center"><b>Exhibit 5</b></p>

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	<p>spend a lot of time getting familiar with the equipment. Concerned that the quality of the ability will be diminished if this requirement is removed. Garcia- Agrees with Coon and Descutner. If this requirement is removed it will diminish the importance of the familiarity with equipment.</p> <p>8. Amended motion passed, all but Lane in support.</p>	
	<p><b>C. Review/Adopt NFPA 1041- - Standard for Fire Service Instructor Professional Qualifications, 2012 Edition.</b> This is an update to existing AFSC directives.</p> <p>No public comment for 1041 was submitted to AFSC Admin.</p> <p>1. Only Descutner’s review, committee lead was unavailable. Items 1-5 of Exhibit 6 no changes. Recommends adoption of 1041 2012 in entirety. Revise existing levels for FSI I/II and work towards development of FSI III directives. Number 7 additional item will be included to objectives for potential to test. Number 8, several references to AHJ. See Exhibit 6 for AHJ definition breakdown. Number 9, maintain recertification for all levels at a minimum of 5 years as exists in the current directives. Number 10, no SME’s consulted. Number 11, see Exhibit 6 breakdown of changes. Recommends accepting all changes as written.</p> <p>2. Crisp- moves to adopt 1041 2012 as written. Downes seconds. Motion passed in unanimous.</p>	<p><b>Exhibit 6</b></p>
	<p><b>D. AFSC Fee schedule</b></p> <p>See exhibit 7 for detail</p> <p>1. Descutner- Purposing that the council adopt a \$5 increase to cover increase in travel costs and testing expenditures. Obtaining general funding to cover higher costs of doing business due to inflation is not currently feasible. Accreditation fees were in place but have never been collected. Too many existing challenges associated with accreditation process to begin collecting fee for this area. Recommends the \$5 increase to offset increases of operational costs not covered by general funding in FY2014.</p> <p>2. Coon – moves to adopt the \$5 fee increase and Downes seconds. Downes- Agrees with proposal. If we bump it up to \$25 we would be able to go longer between raising fee schedules. Coon- the impact to the individual is either a 33% increase or a 66% increase. Single level certification would go up from \$45 to \$60, or from \$60-\$80. It is appropriate for us to go for minimum increase and then let legislature representatives know we passed on a 33% increase to the constituents and this will provide justification to request increased GF increase to cover FY2015 forward. This increase in fees is going to impact FD’s after they have already set their operational budgets for this coming year. Descutner- When the asked what the AFSC has done, we can say we have raised fees 33%. Need to ally ourselves with our constituents and allow them to make our case for increased funding. Skaflestad- in a smaller department it is an issue to even get funding at all. If we increase fees 66% in one jump it may result in more departments requiring the individuals to cover it instead of the department. For small departments having any training is a fund raiser event, raising the \$10 amount would be critical. Motion to raise \$5 increase passes in</p>	<p><b>Exhibit 7</b></p>

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unanimous.	
<b>X. AFSC Plaque Nomination- Members- Action</b> No nominations	
<b>XI. Review list of Action Items - Chair – Buddy Lane - Review</b> Responsible person(s) developed from this meeting.	
<b>XII. Future Agenda Items - Chair – Buddy Lane - Review</b>	
<b>XIII. Future Meeting Dates - Chair – Buddy Lane - Report</b> September 23, 2013, Anchorage, Alaska February 10, 2014, Juneau, Alaska September 2014, Kenai, Alaska	
<b>XIV. Adjourn - Chair – Buddy Lane - Action</b>	<b>1230</b>