

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION

January 26, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

William B. Travis Bldg., 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Room 1-104, Austin, Texas

1. Roll call---10:00 a.m.
2. Welcome of new commissioner John McMakin.
3. Adoption of the October 20, 2010 Commission meeting minutes.
4. The Budget and Strategic Plan subcommittees will meet on January 26, 2011, during the commission meeting and may develop recommendations to be presented to the full commission including but not limited to, modifications to the agency operating budget and strategic plan. The subcommittees may meet separately or together.
5. Report from the Budget and Strategic Plan subcommittees with discussion and possible action relating to any recommendations developed by these subcommittees.
6. Reports from fire service interest groups and agencies on matters relating to organizational purposes, functions, and objectives, including, but not limited to, the Texas Fire Chiefs Association, the Texas State Association of Fire Fighters, the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas, the Texas Association of Fire Educators, the Texas Forest Service, the National Fire Protection Association, and the State Fire Marshal's Office.
7. Discussion and possible action concerning reports by the Commission representative to the Texas Fire School Advisory Board and by representatives of the Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) regarding fire protection training provided by TEEX through its Emergency Services Training Institute (ESTI).
8. New matters from the commission, staff, or public regarding rulemaking which may be discussed in future Commission meetings.
9. Discussion and possible action on future meeting dates.
10. Matters referred from the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee (FFAC), including, but not limited to:
  - A. Discussion and possible final adoption on proposed amendments, new sections, repeals, and rule reviews as follows:
    1. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 427, Training Facility Certification, including, but not limited to §427.305, Procedures for Testing Conducted by On-Site and Distance Training Providers.
    2. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 431, Subchapter A, Minimum Standards For Arson Investigation Certification, including, but not limited to §431.1, Minimum Standards For Arson Investigation Personnel; §431.3, Minimum Standards For Basic Arson Investigator Certification; §431.13, International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) Seal; Subchapter B, Minimum Standards for Fire Investigator Certification; §431.201, Minimum Standards for Fire Investigation Personnel, and §431.211 International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) Seal—Fire Investigator.
    3. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 435, Fire Fighter Safety, including, but not limited to new §435.25, Courage to be Safe So Everyone Goes Home Program.
    4. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 437, Fees, including, but not limited to §437.1, Purpose and Scope; §437.5, Renewal Fees, §437.7, Standards Manual and Certification Curriculum Manual Fees.
  - B. Discussion and possible action on proposed amendments, new sections, repeals, and rule reviews as follows:

1. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 401, Practice and Procedure, including, but not limited to §401.1(b) (3), Purpose and Scope.
  2. Proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 423, Fire Suppression, including, but not limited to §423.3(a)(2)(B) Minimum Standards for Basic Structure Fire Protection Personnel Certification; §423.201(b) Minimum Standards for Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Personnel.
- C. Discussion and possible action on recommendation from the Fire Fighter Advisory and Curriculum and Testing Committees regarding proposed rule changes to 37 TAC, Chapter 421, Practice and Procedure, including, but not limited to §421.5(36), definition concerning reciprocity and Pro Board.
11. Discussion and possible approval of the addition of classes or courses to the A List and B List for higher levels of certification.
  12. Discussion and possible action on appointment of new member to the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee.
  13. Update from standards division director on matters relating to the activities of the following committees: International Fire Service Accreditation Congress, Respiratory Protection and Personal Alarm Equipment Committee, Fire Service Occupational Safety Committee, NFPA 1971 Technical Committee, and NFPA Technical Correlating Committee on Fire and Emergency Services Protective Clothing and Equipment.
  14. Discussion and possible action on matters from the Executive Director.
    - A. Report on decisions of the Executive Director in contested cases and consent orders.
    - B. Status of division functions.
  15. Executive session pursuant to Government Code, Section 551.074, for the discussion of personnel matters: the appointment, employment, compensation, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Executive Director, and the appointment, employment, reassignment, or duties of personnel acting on an interim basis in this position.
  16. Open session for further discussion and possible action regarding preceding agenda item.
  17. Adjourn meeting.

The Texas Commission on Fire Protection may go into executive session on any agenda item if authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.