

TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION

Presiding Officer Jim Reidy called the December 4, 2015 meeting of the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee to order at 9:00 a.m. at the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Ave., Room 1-104, in Austin, Texas.

Attending Jim Reidy Michael Wisko Amado Cano, Jr. Ken Swindle
Jason Collier Daniel DeYear J. P. Steelman

*absent entire meeting
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Staff Tim Rutland Deborah Cowan Joyce Guinn Mark Roughton Sylvia Miller Paul Maldonado
Andrew Lutostanski, Assistant Attorney General

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1. Roll call Secretary J. P. Steelman called roll and a quorum was present.

 2. Adoption of Minutes A motion was made by Michael Wisko and seconded by Daniel DeYear to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2015, fire fighter advisory committee meeting as discussed. The motion carried.

 3. Report from Curriculum & Testing Committee Pat McAuliff, Chair of the committee went over the recommended changes.
A motion was made by Amado Cano and seconded by Jason Collier to recommend to the commission the recommended changes to the curricula as discussed. The motion carried.

 4. Development of future curricula Pat McAuliff, Chair of the Curriculum and Testing Committee provided information to the committee members regarding the recommendations of his committee for the future development of curricula.

After discussion, a motion was made by Daniel DeYear and seconded by J. P. Steelman to recommend to the commission that any new voluntary certifications developed would be reviewed using the guidelines recommended by the curriculum and testing committee of, textbook availability, quality of text content (NFPA correlation and accepted practice), publishers ability to provide secure test bank exclusive for TCFP use and editing rights, and a statement of need from a recognized professional organization; and the first two to be developed would be Driver Operator-Aerial Fire Apparatus (NFPA 1002) and Fire and Life Safety Educator I, II in that order. The motion carried.

 5. 37 TAC, Chapter 431 A motion was made by Jason Collier and seconded by Daniel DeYear to approve for recommendation to the commission amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 431, §431.9 and §431.209 as discussed. The motion carried.

 6. Fees After discussion, a motion was made by Mike Wisko and seconded by Amado Cano to send a recommendation to the commission to not decrease any fees at this time. The motion failed. (3 for, 4 against)

After further discussion, a motion was made by Jason Collier and seconded by Daniel DeYear to recommend to the commission a fee decrease of ten dollars for certification renewals (\$85 to \$75) with the examination and new certification fees remaining at the current rate of \$85 each. The motion carried.

 7. Future meeting dates, locations agenda items The next meeting was scheduled for March 3, 2016 beginning at 9:00 a.m.
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8. Adjournment A motion to adjourn was made by J. P. Steelman and seconded by Amado Cano. The motion carried.

Jim Reidy
Presiding Officer