

TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION

Presiding Officer, Robert Moore, at 9:00 a.m. called the April 26, 2018 meeting of the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to order at 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Room 1-104, Austin, Texas.

Attending	Tommy Anderson John McMakin J. P. Steelman	Carlos Cortez Robert Moore Steve Tull	Kelly Doster Bob Morgan Tivy Whitlock*	Joseph Gonzalez Leonardo Perez	Mike Jones Mala Sharma
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*absent entire meeting
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Staff	Tim Rutland Servando Sanchez	Deborah Cowan Grace Wilson	Sylvia Miller David Gordon, Assistant Attorney General	Paul Maldonado	Joyce Guinn
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Guests	Nick Hickson Jimmy Mullis Marty Lancton Chris Thompson John Overstreet John Alvarez	Ronnie Davis Anthony Jimenez Glenn Deshields Darrell Dover Scott Collard Trent Herrod	Les Davis Brent Parker David Parker Leonard Chan Thayer Smith Doug Boeker	Chris Connealy Mike Wisko Patrick Dockery Daniel Tyler Lauren Johnson Anita Greenberg	Tanya Childs Vince Abrigo Andre Jordan Daniel DeYear Thomas McMonigle Aaron Woolverton
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1. Invocation Presentation of Colors and Pledge of Allegiance
The invocation was given by Anthony Jimenez, District 7 Fire Rescue, San Antonio, the presentation of colors was performed by the Odessa Fire Department and Assistant Presiding Officer Joseph Gonzalez led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll call
Commission Secretary, Lenny Perez called roll and a quorum was present.
3. Adoption of Minutes
A motion to approve the minutes of January 24, 2018 and January 25, 2018 commission meeting was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Mike Jones. The motion carried.
4. Appointment of members to the Budget and Strategic Plan Subcommittees
After discussion, a motion was made by John McMakin and seconded by Bob Morgan to combine the two separate subcommittees into one subcommittee. The motion carried. Presiding Officer, Robert Moore appointed Commissioners Steve Tull, Lenny Perez, Kelly Doster, Mala Sharma and J. P. Steelman to the subcommittee. Commissioner Steve Tull was appointed Chairman.
5. Reports from Interest Groups
A brief report was given by the Texas Fire Chief's Association, Texas State Association of Fire Fighters, State Fire Marshal's Office, Texas Association of Fire Educators, Texas A&M Forest Service and the Center for Public Safety Excellence.
6. Report from Fire School Advisory Board & TEEEX
Commission Representative Juan Gloria was unavailable; Presiding Officer Robert Moore gave a brief update on activities of the committee.

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7. Report from Homeland Security Representative
Commission Representative, Joseph Gonzalez gave a brief overview on the makeup of the council and items discussed from the January 31, 2018 meeting.
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8. New matters
37 TAC, Chapter 421, Standards For Certification, 37 TAC, Chapter 429, Fire Inspector NFPA 1006-Technical Rescue (review)
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9. Future meeting dates
The commission had previously set the following dates for its quarterly meetings:
July 11, 2018 (Workshop); July 12, 2018 Commission meeting
October 25, 2018 Commission meeting
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10. Appointment of member to the the fire fighter advisory committee
A motion was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Lenny Perez to appoint Daniel Anderson to the fire fighter advisory committee and the remaining four finalists be put on an eligibility list effective until midnight December 31, 2018. Should another vacancy occur prior to that date, commissioners will choose one of the individuals from the list. After that date, a new application process will be needed for any further vacancies on the committee. The motion carried.
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11. Matters from Fire Fighter Advisory Committee
A. 1. A motion to approve for final adoption the proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 427, §§427.1, 427.3, 427.5, 427.7, 427.9, 427.11, 427.18, 427.19, 427.201, 427.209, 427.301, 427.303, 427.305, 427.307, 427.401, 427.403, 427.405, 427.407, 427.409, and 427.11 as discussed was made by Joseph Gonzalez and seconded by J. P. Steelman. The motion carried.
2. A motion to approve for final adoption proposed amendment to 37 TAC, Chapter 433, new §433.207 as discussed was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Lenny Perez. The motion carried.
3. A motion to approve for final adoption proposed amendment to 37 TAC, Chapter 453, new §453.207 as discussed was made by Kelly Doster and seconded by J. P. Steelman. The motion carried.
4. A motion to approve for final adoption proposed amendment to 37 TAC, Chapter 457, new §457.7 as discussed was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Mike Jones. The motion carried.
5. A motion to approve for final adoption proposed amendment to 37 TAC, Chapter 437, §437.13 as discussed was made by Lenny Perez and seconded by J. P. Steelman. The motion carried.
- B. A motion to approve the revised reference list for Hazardous Materials Incident Commander Curriculum and Hazardous Materials Technician Curriculum to be effective immediately was made by Tommy Anderson and seconded by J. P. Steelman. The motion carried.
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12. 37 TAC, Chapter 433 Driver/Operator
A motion was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Joseph Gonzalez to approve for publication amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 433, §433.201 as discussed. The motion carried.

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13. 37 TAC, Chapter 435 Fire Fighter Safety
A motion was made by Tommy Anderson and seconded by Steve Tull to approve for publication 37 TAC, Chapter 435, §435.1 as discussed. The motion carried.
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14. 37 TAC, Chapter 439 Examinations for Certification
A motion was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Lenny Perez to approve for publication 37 TAC, Chapter 439, §439.7, 439.9, and 439.11 as discussed. The motion carried.
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15. Higher Levels of Certification
A motion was made by Tommy Anderson and seconded by Mike Jones to approve the additional classes/courses to the A & B List as discussed. The motion carried (11 for, 1 against 1 absent)
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16. Request from Chief Danny Kistner
Chief Kistner was unable to attend meeting and asked that this item be placed on the next scheduled commission meeting in July 2018.
A motion was made by Kelly Doster and seconded by Steve Tull to table this item until the July 2018 commission meeting. The motion carried.
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17. Matters from Executive Director
a. Tim Rutland, Executive Director reported no informal conferences had occurred since the last commission meeting.
b. Mr. Rutland provided commissioners information regarding agency division functions. He also informed commissioners the agency plans to launch on-line testing for a few of its disciplines on May 1, 2018.
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18. Executive Session 551.074(1)
Presiding Officer, Robert Moore called for Executive Session at 10:59 a.m.
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19. Open Session
Presiding Officer, Robert Moore called for Open Session at 11:19 a.m.
A motion was made by Joseph Gonzalez and seconded by Kelly Doster to increase the salary of the Executive Director by five percent (5%) effective immediately in this biennium. The motion carried.
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20. Adjournment
A motion to adjourn was made by Kelly Doster and seconded by J. P. Steelman. The motion carried.

Robert Moore, Presiding Officer