

TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION

Assistant Presiding Officer Daniel DeYear called the June 11, 2020 video conference meeting of the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee to order at 9:00 a.m.

Member Attendance	Jim Reidy Jason Collier	Vince Abrigo Daniel DeYear	Ken Swindle Daniel Buford	Keith Schmidt Daniel Anderson	Vacant
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*absent entire meeting
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Staff	Mike Wisko Grace Wilson	Deborah Cowan Amanda Ramos	Joyce Guinn	Cliff Grant	Tara Youngblood
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Attendees	Palmer Buck	Danny Watkins	LBB User	Brent Thetford	Jim Schultz	Rodney Smith
	Mike Jones	Jim Pigg	Richard Sisk	William Hilburn	Nathan Mara	Jimmy Watson
	Chris Watson	Rodney Reed	Rich Kasko	Mark Henderson	Jason Mays	Leroy Salinas
	Brent Batla	Patrick O'Connell	Scott Seifert	Charles Woodard	Amy Ramon	Clinton Morris
	Tim Johnson	Matthew Myers	Pat McAuliff	Steve Pinkston	Jens Jensen	Chris Hughes
	Buddy Rice	Jon Fontenot	Les Stephens	Adam Marconi	Dean Spencer	Leonard Chan
	Brandon Wade	Gregory Summers	Christopher Perez	Bexar Co. ESD 12		Patty Faulkner
	Charles Atchison	Jason Blackman	Ramiro Elizondo	Landon Stallings		Joe Don James
	Tim Gardner	Paul Maldonado	Maude Adjarian	Rick Wallace		Ernie Null
	Mohammed Adams					

1. Roll call Secretary, Keith Schmidt called roll and a quorum was present.

2. Election of Officers A motion was made by Jim Reidy and seconded by Jason Collier to nominate Daniel DeYear as the Presiding Officer of the committee. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Jim Reidy and seconded by Vince Abrigo to nominate Daniel Buford as the Assistant Presiding Officer of the committee. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Jason Collier and seconded by Ken Swindle to nominate Keith Schmidt as the Secretary of the committee. The motion carried.

3. Adoption of Minutes A motion was made by Jim Reidy and seconded by Daniel Buford to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2019, fire fighter advisory committee meeting as discussed. The motion carried.

4. Curriculum & Testing Committee Report

a. A motion was made by Daniel Buford and seconded by Jason Collier to approve and recommend to the commission the Basic Fire Suppression Curriculum updates with changes as discussed. The motion carried.

b. A motion was made by Jason Collier and seconded by Keith Schmidt to approve and recommend to the commission the Hazardous Materials Curriculum updates as discussed. The motion carried.

c. A motion was made by Vince Abrigo and seconded by Ken Swindle to approve and recommend to the commission the Fire Instructor Curriculum updates as discussed. The motion carried.

d. A motion was made by Jason Collier and seconded by Jim Reidy to approve and recommend to the commission the new Incident Commander Curriculum as discussed. The motion carried.

e. A motion was made by Daniel Anderson and seconded by Ken Swindle to approve and recommend to the commission the updated Incident Safety Officer reference list as discussed. The motion carried.

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5. Injury Report
- After review and discussion the following items were recommended for commission consideration.
- In order to better inform the legislature about all fire fighter cancers, all regulated entities must report all fire fighter cancers which would include workers comp and non-workers comp claims.
- Recommend to commission that there be a way for individual certificate holders, former certificate holders and retired fire fighters to self-report cancer diagnosis.
- Focus on reducing injuries in wellness/fitness, training, and station duties since those type of injuries is increasing.
- Have the Health & Wellness Committee identify injury trends and recommend specific training to assist fire departments in reducing injuries and report back to the Fire Fighter Advisory Committee and the Curriculum and Testing Committee.
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6. Public Comment
- What if a firefighter is diagnosed with cancer after leaving the department but did not retire. How long is required for reporting? I believe we should report anyway.
- Are we supposed to be reporting COVID-19 in injury reports?
- Will the attendance be part of the official minutes?
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7. Subjects for future agenda items
- Chapter 435, Fire Fighter Safety
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8. Future meeting dates
- Next scheduled meeting was set for September 17, 2020 beginning at 9:00 a.m.
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9. Adjournment
- A motion was made by Jim Reidy and seconded by Daniel Anderson to adjourn
The motion carried.

Daniel DeYear
Presiding Officer