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**FIREFIGHTER AND FIRE SAFETY INSPECTOR TRAINING COMMITTEE
STATE BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting held via videoconferencing/GoToWebinar®

October 21, 2020

Immediately following the conclusion of the EMFTS Board meeting

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Committee Meeting Date and Location: Wednesday, October 21, 2020, Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus. ***The meeting was held via GoToWebinar®.*

Committee Members Present: Patrick Ferguson, Mark Marchetta, Mark Resanovich, George Snyder, Kevin Uhl and Dudley Wright II

Committee Members Absent: none

EMS Staff Present: Beverly Cooper, Joel Demory, Dave Fiffick, Valerie Koker, Eric Mays, Rob Wagoner, and Michael Wise.

Assistant Attorney General: Lidia Mowad

Mr. Wright called the meeting to order at 1:11 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Patrick Ferguson	Present	Mr. George B. Snyder	Present
Mr. Mark Marchetta	Present	Mr. Kevin Uhl	Present
Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright II	Present

OPEN FORUM

Mr. Wright inquired if there was anyone who wished to address the Board. There was not anyone to address the Board.

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REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Wright requested a motion to approve the consent agenda to include the August 19, 2020 Firefighter and Fire Safety Inspector Training Committee meeting minutes, the August and September 90-day extension requests, and the August and September fire certifications.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items to include the August 19, 2020 Firefighter and Fire Safety Inspector Training Committee meeting minutes, the August and September 90-day extension requests, and the August and September fire certifications. Mr. Uhl - First. Mr. Ferguson—Second. Mr. Snyder (28895) - abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

Fire Exemption Requests (Military & Medical), Jodie Parker

There were not any fire exemption requests.

Fire Fighter and Fire Safety Inspector Training Committee, James Burke

The committee met on September 15, 2020 and there was a quorum.

Mr. Burke stated that there will be an update for the program directors at the next meeting. Approval of the committee was received to run a pilot of the live fire operations course for live fire instructors utilizing a text book.

New skill sheets for firefighter I, firefighter II, and fire safety inspector will be on the website in the next week; however, they will not be effective until January 1, 2021. The DEMS wanted to give programs plenty of time to review these.

The DEMS continues to work with programs across the state and is seeing more programs moving forward. Mr. Burke thanked the education staff for all of their work.

Mr. Burke reported that there will be system upgrades on November 17, 2020. The DEMS staff will hold several virtual meetings to help the program directors with the new upgrades. The majority of these changes are safeguards and to ensure that student information is entered correctly to ensure they are in the right class and take the correct exams. DEMS staff will be revising the manuals.

Mr. Burke reported that, for informational purposes only, there will be some changes to the firefighter certification for reciprocity rule 4765-20-10. The plan is to file the rule with JCARR in mid-May 2021.

Executive Director Wagoner stated that the Fire Awards have been completed. He also suggested to review HR 8592, the EMS Act of 2020, to help identify the true number of providers.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Wright, on behalf of the Firefighter and Fire Safety Inspector Training Committee, the proceedings were called to order at 1:18 p.m. on October 21, 2020. Members of the committee present for the proceedings are:

ROLL CALL

Mr. Patrick Ferguson	Present	Mr. George B. Snyder	Present
Mr. Mark Marchetta	Present	Mr. Kevin Uhl	Present
Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright II	Present

It was noted for the record that a majority of the members of the committee were present.

GOLDMAN PROCEEDINGS

Goldman Case(s)

Mr. Wright stated that the following cases were reviewed pursuant to Goldman v. State Medical Board of Ohio, where the Respondents did not properly request a hearing. The individuals named did not have the ability to present written or oral testimony, but could be present to hear the proceedings and outcome. The committee received the sworn affidavits from the EMS investigators and accompanying exhibits. The affidavits contained the evidence and testimony upon which they deliberated. There were five cases. The proceedings were in the matter of:

- **Fire Case No. 2018-418-F300, Michael J. King, Certificate No. 145409**
- **Fire Case No. 2018-438-F300, Leslie S. Staker, Certificate No. 141036**
- **Fire Case No. 2018-439-F300, Kevin J. Brumbaugh, Certificate No. 159154**
- **Fire Case No. 2018-442-F300, Lynn R. Love, Certificate No. 4620**
- **Fire Case No. 2018-618-F300, Walt Redmond, Certificate No. 40133**

Having received documentation for these cases, Mr. Wright requested a motion to admit the sworn affidavits and the accompanying exhibits in the aforementioned cases into evidence.

ACTION: Motion to admit the sworn affidavit and accompanying exhibits in the aforementioned cases into evidence. Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. No abstentions. None opposed. **Motion approved.**

There being no further evidence, these proceedings were closed at 1:21 p.m.

GOLDMAN MOTIONS

ACTION: In the matter of Fire Case Number 2018-418-F300, Michael J. King, Fire Certificate Number 145409, the Committee recommends that the Interim Executive Director issue an adjudication order finding that Mr. King failed to comply with continuing education requirements as indicated in counts 1 and 2 of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and that Mr. King's Volunteer Firefighter certification be revoked. Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. None abstained. **Motion approved.**

ACTION: *In the matter of Fire Case Number 2018-438-F300, Leslie S. Staker, Fire Certificate Number 141036, the Committee recommends that the Interim Executive Director issue an adjudication order finding that Mr. Staker failed to comply with continuing education requirements as indicated in counts 1 and 2 of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, and that Mr. Staker's Volunteer Firefighter certification be revoked.* Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. None abstained. **Motion approved.**

ACTION: *In the matter of Fire Case Number 2018-439-F300, Kevin J. Brumbaugh, Fire Certificate Number 159154, the Committee recommends that the Interim Executive Director issue an adjudication order finding that Mr. Brumbaugh failed to comply with continuing education requirements as indicated in counts 1 and 2 of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, and that Mr. Brumbaugh's Volunteer Firefighter certification be revoked.* Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. None abstained. **Motion approved.**

ACTION: *In the matter of Fire Case Number 2018-442-F300, Lynn R. Love, Fire Certificate Number 4620, the Committee recommends that the Interim Executive Director issue an adjudication order finding that Ms. Love failed to comply with continuing education requirements as indicated in counts 1 and 2 of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, and that Ms. Love's Firefighter II certification be revoked..* Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. Mr. Uhl - abstained. **Motion approved.**

ACTION: *In the matter of Fire Case Number 2018-618-F300, Walt Redmond, Fire Certificate Number 40133, the Committee recommends that the Interim Executive Director issue an adjudication order finding that Mr. Redmond failed to comply with continuing education requirements as indicated in counts 1 and 2 of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, that Mr. Redmond's Volunteer Firefighter certification be revoked.* Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. None abstained. **Motion approved.**

FIRE INVESTIGATIONS, STAFF

ACTION: *Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to accept the following Consent Agreements.* Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. None abstained. **Motion approved.**

2019-268-BF100	2020-348-BF100
2019-394-F300	2020-356-F100
2020-274-BF100	2020-364-BF100
2020-310-BF100	2020-425-F100
2020-330-F100	

<u>ACTION:</u> Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to close the following cases.	
Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.	
2019-561-BF500	2020-353-F100
2020-122-F500 *Refer to SFM	2020-380-F500
2020-297-F500 *Refer to SFM	2020-383-F500

<u>ACTION:</u> Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to close the following cases; individuals have met the stipulations of their Consent Agreement. Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.	
2017-576-F300	2018-86-F300
2017-742-F300	2019-027-BF100
2017-768-F300	2019-520-BF100

<u>ACTION:</u> Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to close the following cases; accept surrendering of their respective certificates. Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.	
2019-479-F300	2019-617-F300
2019-514-F300	2019-693-F300

<u>ACTION:</u> Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to close the following case(s). The following individuals were audited at their respective levels. The respective certificate(s) to practice have expired. Re-open if re-applies. Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.	
2017-772-F300	2019-500-F300

<u>ACTION:</u> Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to close the following case(s) due to service issues with the Adjudication Order or the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. The respective certificate(s) to practice are revoked or expired. Re-open if re-applies. Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.	
2016-598-BF100	

<u>ACTION:</u> Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to issue Notice of Opportunity for Hearings for the following cases. Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.	
2019-493-F300	2019-692-F300
2019-615-F300	2019-694-F300
2019-635-F300	2019-695-F300
2019-640-F300	2020-258-F100
2019-645-F300	2020-326-BF100
2019-646-F300	

ACTION: Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to close the following cases due to one of the following reasons: inadvertently marked yes to conviction question, misdemeanor convictions that have previously been deemed “not involving moral turpitude”, local issues, and grandfathering issues of certification/conviction: Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second. None opposed. None abstained. **Motion approved.**

2019-238-F300	2020-373-BF100
2019-585-F300	2020-377-BF100
2020-333-BF300	2020-386-BF500
2020-352-BF100	2020-393-BF100
2020-360-BF100	

Old Business ~ none

New Business ~none

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Motion to adjourn. Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Marchetta – Second

The meeting adjourned at 1:34 p.m. The next meeting will be held December 16, 2020 at the Ohio Department of Public Safety via videoconferencing.