

# BOARD OF FIREFIGHTING PERSONNEL, STANDARDS, AND EDUCATION

## MEETING MINUTES

### Meeting Details

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**Date:** March 12, 2024

**Time:** 10:00 AM

**Location:** MADE @ Plainfield, 1610 Reeves Road, Plainfield IN 46168 – Rooms 130 A&B

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### Member Attendance

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Name	Present		Means of Participation
	Yes	No	
Steve Anderson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Amy Biggs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NA
Pedro Caceres	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A
Eric Dreiman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Scott Garrett	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NA
Eric Gentry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Tom Hanify	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Clayton Kinder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Burke Jones	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Stephen Jones	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Robert Lund	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NA
Tony Murray	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person
Tim Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Person

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### Notes

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Additional information may be available at the [Commission's Web Page](#).

Also in attendance: Zach Matthews, Nichelle Elliott, Regine Johnson, and

Dustin Dyer.

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1. Call to Order at 10:00AM– Eric Dreiman
2. Roll Call – Nine (9) members present, and Four (4) members absent.
3. Review and Action on December 2023 Meeting Minutes – Board accepted the minutes with no corrections.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Steve Anderson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Amy Biggs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pedro Caceres	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Eric Dreiman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scott Garrett	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Tony Murray	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tim Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### 4. Reports and Updates

- i. State Fire Marshal Report – Stephen Jones
  - Hub and Spoke updates.
  - Gear PPE program updates.
  - Mental Health Awareness
  - Firefighter Cancer and Exposure/Improvement
  - Fire Investigation unit.
  - Training Academy more organized
  - Budgets two (2) 2026 & 2027 Fiscal years planning out the budget in advance.
- ii. Academy Director Report – John Shafer
  - Public Fire and Life Safety Educator 1, 2, and 3 program revamped.
  - Hub and Spoke
  - PPE Gear
  - IFSTA free e-book updates
  - Cora Showalter new Admin and Grants team member
  - Reduction risk for the Fire community
  - 13,843 Certification issued for 2023

#### 5. Old Business

- i. None

#### 6. New Business

- i. Director John Shafer – Self Study, requires course staff to be certified in the course of delivery. Lead Evaluator is compelled to instruct in order for skills to be done correctly. Instructing courses require one on one teaching and cannot be self-study.
- ii. Director John Shafer - Adult Education Hours – IAC 655 1-1-19 changes will require documentation to be attached to renew certifications that expire. Manual

updates for Fire Instructor certifications to expire on the same date.

- iii. Director John Shafer – Weather permitting courses (Flood Rescue, Surface Water Rescue, and Ice Rescue) – Register courses ahead of time then complete the course as weather permits. Example: pull the course # by November for Ice Rescue courses in February.
- iv. Strike Skill # nine (9) for Flood Water Rescue due to most will not be able to complete it. ***Motion to remove Skill nine (9): Tim Smith 1<sup>st</sup> , Eric Gentry 2<sup>nd</sup> . Motion Approved***

7. Legal Hiliary Egan

- IAC 655 Rule update – Expected completion August 2024.
- Public Hear March 25, 2024 at the Indiana Government Center South

8. Open Discussion and Public Comment

9. Final Comments/Closing Remarks

10. Next Meeting – Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time at the **Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association Convention (IVFA) Ballrooms A, B, and C of Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport, 2501 S. High School Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46241**. Virtual meeting details TBA.

***A public notice with specific details regarding the format of the meeting will be provided on the [Commission main web page](#) in advance of the meeting date.***

11. Adjournment