



FLSS Board Meeting

Note
July 17th, 2024
2 pm Eastern

Board Members

Chief Greg Rogers, *Chair*
Chief Robert Marshall, *Vice Chair*
Chief Michael O'Brian, *International Director*
Chief Scott Moore, *Secretary / Treasurer*
Chief Andy King, *Immediate Past Chair*
Chief Ray Reynolds, *At-Large Board Member*
Chief Kathy Clay, *At-Large Board Member*
Chief William Hyde, *At-Large Board Member*
Chief Elizabeth Bednarcik, *At-Large Board Member*
Chief Shawn Hanson, *At-Large Board Member*
Chief Mike Carsten, *At-Large Board Member*

Deputy Chief/Director Larry R. Cocco,
International Position

Karen Berard-Reed, *Education Specialty Rep.*

Howard Hopper, *Engineering Specialty Rep*

Not filled - *Public Safety Specialty Rep.*

Peg Paul, *Ex Officio Board Member*

Vickie Pritchett, *Ex Officio Board Member*

Richard Roberts, *Ex Officio Board Member*

Appointed Board Members

Staff: *FLSS Liaison* Richard Miller

Guests Chief Henss

Green Present Yellow Absent Blue Remote

Minutes taken Richard Miller

- **Board Meeting – No Quorum**
- Executive Board Meeting update
 - Open discussion on CRRL 2025 and what the section needs.
 - ICC Code Training Elizabeth Bednarcik with Richard Miller coordinating for use of IAFC platform Wildland Training for Icode Wildland Interface for the Wildland Code Development Code Basic Education to better understand the code process for Wildland.
NFPA 1140 Wildland Code was interested in participating but this is separate.
 - IAFC Wildland Policy. Understanding the relationships of the groups and inviting them to provide brief presentations at the FRI FLSS Board Meeting
 - NFPA and ICC differences
 - General discussion on MOUs with ICC and NFPA participation
 - IAFC Wildland Policy Committee, NASFM joint meeting open discussion on supporting the greater good.

1. Meeting called to order by:

i. Roll Call – Completed

2. Approval of the May in-person 2024, minutes

i. Call for approval of past meeting minutes.

1. Motion – Chief Moor

2. Second – Chief Marshal
 3. Motion – Approved voice vote
3. Report from the Chair Greg Rogers
- i. CRRL 2024 Report
 1. CRRL 2025 – Conference Staff notified about the need for next year's conference update and plan
 - i. Conferences are holding back on allowing progress with sending out Announcement for speakers
 - ii. The FLSS Board will decide on holding the conference at the FRI
 - iii. After today's meeting a request will be made to the IAFC leadership Board and others to hold a meeting about our conference.
 - iv. Chief O'Brian has requested to hold a meeting with Rob Brown and John Boyle with no response for this meeting.
 - ii. Discussion for Appointment of Executive Specialty Appointments
 1. Chief Rogers introduced the updated
 2. Chief Marshal supports nominating Chief Reynolds as the IAFC FLSS Public Safety Rep.
 - i. Four specialty representatives
 - o Specialty representatives shall consist of
 - o (1) member from the education community,
 - o (1) member from the engineering community,
 - o (1) member from the public safety community,
 - o (1) member from a non-US fire safety organization,
 - ii. FLSS Board appointments (FRI)
 1. Discussion for Appointment of public safety community Specialty Appointments
 - i. member from the public safety community,
 2. A director-at-large
 - i. Appointed by a majority vote of the Board after the election at the annual business meeting, or at a regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting. The director-at-large shall be a current elected at-large member of the section and shall serve in this position until the next annual business meeting.
 3. UP to four ex-officio advisors
 - i. Ex-officio advisors shall consist of four (4) ex-officio advisors, who offer specific expertise which would be helpful to assist the board with their work. Ex-officio advisors have a voice but no vote.
 - ii. Codes and standards development Ex-Officio advisors
 - iii. IFMA International Fire Marshals Association Potential Collaboration efforts
 - iv. Section Chair to meet with USFA week of July Dr. Lori Moore-Merrell - U.S. Fire Administration
 - ii. Open discussion on the Board and makeup of who participates in FCAC with ICC
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 - v. At FRI we invite and Appoint Karl Fippinger as *Ex Officio Board Member*
 - vi. International Director At Large Ex-officio appointments
- Chief Rogers welcomed Chief Henss Indianapolis Fire Department who introduced himself as the newly elected Board Member to FLSS
 - o The FLSS Board introduced themselves to Chief Henss
- iii. IFMA International Fire Marshals Association Potential Collaboration efforts
 1. Continue discussion with IFMA on collaboration

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- iv. Planning for FRI
 1. Section
 2. Section Board Meeting
 3. TMA Dinner
 4. Floor Show Booth
 - v. Section Chair to meet with USFA Thursday, July 18th, 2024
 1. Discussion with USFA and CMS on getting support for the HOT and HICKSPICS Code
Dr. Lori Moore-Merrell - U.S. Fire Administration
4. Report from Vice Chair Robert Marshall
 - a. FCAC – Chief Marshall
 - i. FCAC Comment period review and committee review from the second set of comments (25 comments)
 1. Single Stair topic may lead with comments coming in
 - ii. Hearing scheduled for October 2024
 5. Report from International Director Michael O’Brian
 - a. IAFC Board activities The Board met on July 2nd and April and May Financials
 - b. Steve Lock will assume the 2nd VP Spot and an Executive Committee has appointed Chief Donna Black for one year
 - c. OSHA Emergency Response Standard – Position submitted to Feds
 - d. Block Party Thursday at FRI
 - e. The board will meet at FRI Sunday Monday
 - f. ESCI Dividend Check is 300K
 - g. Sitting down with IAFC President on NFPA appointments
 6. Bylaws and Election Chief Bylaws Officer Howard Hopper report
 7. Treasurer Report Treasurer Scott Moore
 - a. FLSS Section Report our section has one of the largest budgets
 - b. Budget reminders will be coming out soon for 2025
 8. Strategic Plan Review Chief Hanson
 - i. IDELP – New Members?
 9. Special Report HOT Home Oxygen therapy project Chief Reynolds
 - a. Chief Reynolds is attending the Republican Conference
 - b. Iowa is now receiving refunds
 - c. Thermal Fuses report from BPR in England, BPR will be assisting UL with test guidelines
 - i. There is a Chinese knockoff on market
 - d. Veterans A mandated the bidirectional
 - e. Senator Ernst fully supports this national effort

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10. Vision 20/20 Chief Bednarcik –

- a. To be reviewed at FRI in August
- b. Special Review of FLSS Position Papers
 - [1972 Flame-Resistant Standard for Children's Sleepwear](#)
 - [Advancement of Technology that Prevents Fires, Increases Life Safety, Improves Response to Fire and Emergency Medical Situations](#)
 - [Community Risk Reduction for Fire and Emergency Services](#)
 - [Consumer Fireworks](#)
 - [Fire Safety Management](#)
 - [Fire Sprinkler Retrofit of Existing High-Rise Buildings](#)
 - [Fire Sprinklers in New Construction](#)
 - [Firefighter Safety and Lightweight Construction](#)
 - [Home Oxygen Burn and Injury Fire Safety](#)
 - [Home Rule Code Adoption Authority for Fire and Life Safety Issues](#)
 - [Home Smoke Alarms](#)
 - [Professional Certification of Fire Marshals](#)
 - [Protection of Corrugated Stainless-Steel Tubing \(CSST\) from Lightning Strikes](#)
 - [Reducing Stairs in Residential Buildings Higher Than Three Stories](#)
 - [Residential Range-Top Safety](#)
 - [Tall Wood, Mass Timber Buildings](#)

11. Communication Committee report Peg Paul – Report

- a. Newsletter is out and new process
 - i. Add an Introduction about Chief Henss
 - ii. Allocate a section each month as a feature for all Board Members

12. NFPA Report Karen Berard-Reed

- a. Fire Prevention Week Smoke Alarms make them work for You
- b. Next Month on NFPA Home Fire Sprinklers initiative
- c. New NFPA Battery Standard needs committee members
- d. Call for proposals for 2025 in Vegas is out

This year's FPW campaign, "Smoke alarms: Make them work for you!™" strives to educate everyone about the importance of having working smoke alarms in the home. In this webinar you will learn the WHY behind the campaign's key calls to action: INSTALL, TEST, and REPLACE. Subject matter experts will share new smoke alarm technology updates, best practices, and how to plan and implement a successful FPW campaign using NFPA resources. [Register now Berard-Reed, Karen \(Unverified\): Fire Prevention Week 2024—Smoke Alarms: Make Them...](#) sent on Wednesday, July 17, 2024, 3:04 PM

13. Specialty Rep report Richard Roberts (Unable to join the call)

14. Old Business –

- a. CRRL 2025 Conferences Presentation on CRRL 2024 and 2025
 - CRRL 2026 established a new site selection group to review considerations Chief Carsten to lead the new committee.

15. New Business

16. Report ICC

17. Staff Report

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- a. FRI Planning – **Fire & Life Safety Section (FLSS) Lunch** Thursday, August 15, 2024, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM Location: D162
- b. TMA Dinner reservation, Expo Booth staffing
- c. Lithium Ion Working Group **Meeting:** Wednesday, 8/14/24 **Time of Meeting:** 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM **Location:** C148, Convention Center
- d. FRI Division Lunches 12:00 PM – 1:15 PM for all
 - i. Canadian Division Lunch Location: D168
 - ii. Eastern Division Lunch Location: D167
 - iii. Great Lakes Division Lunch Location: D162
 - iv. Missouri Valley Division Lunch Ballroom A3
 - v. New England Division Lunch Location: D161
 - vi. Southeastern Division Lunch Location: Ballroom A1
 - vii. Southwestern Division Lunch Location: D163
 - viii. Western Division Lunch Location: Ballroom A2

FRI Signup for Booth Staffing

Open discussion Board

Chief Clay injury still recovering

- e. Next Meeting is the annual Section Meeting on August 15th noon (local) [at FRI Dallas 2024](#) – The Section Board meeting will immediately follow the Section Meeting
- f. Schedule for FRI for Section Board will be distributed

Motion to adjourn Chief Moore, Chief Hanson