

**Certification Board Meeting
Kernersville Fire Department
1180 NC Hwy 66 South
Kernersville, NC 27284**

December 10, 2019

Members Present:

Kevin Gordon, Chairman
Terry Foxx
Josh Smith
Tim Pennell
Alex Collazo
Brian Taylor

Ken Hogue
Jim Hanline
David Bullins
Walter Gardner
Wes Hutchins

Staff Present:

Kim Williams
Jessica Lashbrook
Michael Caviness
Greg Palmer

Scott Hackler
Derrick Clouston
Matt Thorpe
Shawn Haynes

Chairman Gordon introduced new members, Mark Rutherford and Chris Davis. Their terms begin January 1, 2020.

Chair Kevin Gordon called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Wes Hutchins gave the invocation.

Chair Gordon note that the following members excused from today's meeting:

Jimmy Hensley
Ben Smith
Joel Faircloth

Jim Hanline made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Josh Smith seconded. Motion passed.

Ken Hogue made a motion to approve the September 10, 2019 meeting minutes. Tim Pennell seconded. Motion passed.

Review of by-laws and motion made by Tim Pennell to approve. Alex Collazo seconded. Motion passed.

Terry Foxx made a motion to approve the 10/31/19 Conference Call minutes. Jim Hanline seconded. Minutes passed.

Standing Committee Reports

OSFM Update – Brian Taylor

The Second Annual Vehicle Extrication School was a huge success. OSFM Quarterly Newsletter will be posted to the website.

Ad Hoc Committees – Kevin Gordon

Computer Based Certification Testing

Kim Williams – Acadis LMS software will provide a demo of their product at the Mid Winter Conference for the Computer Based Certification Testing committee.

Validation Committees are set up and are beginning their work.

Old Business – Kevin Gordon

Program Updates

Release dates for Marine Firefighter and Airport Firefighter pushed to 7/1/20.

Hazmat Materials, Driver Operator and Instructor requalifications will be conducted online 4/1/20-6/30/20.

NFPA 1001 – 2013 and 1001 - 2019 Transition

Members discussed the Firefighter I & II certification changes.

Walter Gardner made motioned to change the Firefighter 2013 edition of ending date to 12/31/2021. The program will remain “as is” until 12/31/21. All currently qualified 2013 Firefighter Instructors must complete the 2019 upgrade to continue teaching the 2013 edition as well as the new 2019 edition. Terry Foxx seconded. Motion passed.

Terry Foxx made a motion to approve Mayday and Safety & Survival be taught from the J and B textbook, as presented. Ken Hogue seconded. Motion passed.

Note: Any OEMS certification may be used in place of Emergency Medical Care.

Terry Foxx made a motion to approve the Firefighter Delivery Options Document. Wes Hutchins seconded. Motion passed.

Ken Hogue made motion to accept the High School Firefighter Delivery. Jim Hanline seconded. Motion passed.

The Hazmat Awareness and Operations will use the Jones & Bartlett fourth edition.

New Business

NFPA 1041 Update – Kevin Gordon

Jim Hanline made a motion to recommend to the Fire and Rescue Commission to follow the NFPA 1041 Live Fire Standard (Chapters 7 and 8). Allow instructors to become certified and qualified at the same time during the Live Fire Qualification. Wes Hutchins seconded. Motion approved.

Request from DPI – Kevin Gordon

DPI is asking permission for the following:

If a high school teacher resigns from a Firefighter Program, allow an interim instructor (non-qualified) to teach the program until a qualified instructor can be hired. Josh Smith made a motion to deny the request. Alex Collazo seconded. Motion passed - request denied.

Chief 101 Certification Requirement – Kevin Gordon

Derrick Clouston asked if a High School Diploma is required for Chief 101 certification.

Kim Williams stated that High School Diploma or equivalency is required for all certifications. Certifications for Chief 101 are not issued if a High School Diploma or equivalency is not submitted.

Wes Hutchins made a motion to table the issue until further review. Ken Hogue seconded. Motion passed.

Derrick Clouston stated that questions frequently arise regarding 1403 standards and there is a belief among some firefighters that there is a 1403 certification. Derrick recommends putting verbiage in all Chief 101 courses stating there is no 1403 certification.

Note: Taking courses, regardless of if they are FIP certification courses, will give credit for ISO ratings.

Delivery Agency Requests (Hybrid)

Nash C.C. - Scott Hackler

Scott Hackler recommended approving Nash Community College for Hybrid Course Delivery. Wes Hutchins made a motion to approve. Josh Smith seconded. Motion passed.

Pitt Community College – Greg Palmer

Greg Palmer recommended approving Pitt Community College for Hybrid Course Delivery. Alex Collazo made a motion to approve. Jim Hanline seconded. Motion passes.

Delivery Agency Request

Efland Fire Department – Greg Palmer

Greg Palmer recommended approving Efland Fire Department for Delivery Agency Status. Tim Pennell made a motion to approve. Ken Hogue seconded. Motion passed.

Announcements:

Newly Appointed Board Members

Mark Rutherford and Chris Davis

Validation Committees

Josh Smith – Validation Committee – In progress

Wes Hutchins – In progress

Ken Hogue – Driver Operator – In progress

Upcoming Meetings:

Commission Meeting – January 14, 2020

Certification Board meeting - March 10, 2020

Terry Foxx made a motion to adjourn. Wes Hutchins seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:23 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jessica Lashbrook