Fire and Rescue Commission
Pinecroft Sedgefield Fire Department, Greensboro
November 1, 2016

Attendees: Harley Cook, Chairman  Rick McIntyre, Executive Director
           Phil Welch  Jerry Laws
           Josh Smith  Freddy Johnson
           Jerry Coble  Kevin Gordon
           Ken Andrews  Cloyce Anders
           Robert Poe  Vernon Massengill

Welcome, Call to Order, Invocation

Chairman Harley Cook called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and asked Mike Edwards to give the Invocation.

Ethics Statement

Chairman Harley Cook presented the Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest reminder as required by the North Carolina State Ethics Commission. There were no conflicts reported at this time.

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Cloyce Anders to accept the Agenda, seconded by Robert Poe. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Phil Welch, seconded by Jerry Coble to approve the minutes of the April 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

Harley acknowledge three new Commission Members

Jerry Coble – NC Fire Marshal’s Association
Ken Andrews – NC International Association of Arson Investigators
Vernon Massengill – NC Senate Appointee

Appointments and Reappointments – Harley Cook

VSWCF Board Appointments

Chair appointments
Cloyce Anders
Jerry Brooks
Richard Trexler
Robert Poe

**NC Assoc. of Rescue and EMS**
Cloyce Anders made a motion to reappoint Gordon Joyner to the VSWCF Board, motion was seconded by Josh Smith. Motion passed.

Robert Poe made a motion to reappoint Jerry Bradshaw to the VSWCF Board, motion was seconded by Cloyce Anders. Motion passed.

**NC SFA**
Jerry Coble made a motion to reappoint Brian Cox to the VSWCF Board, motion was seconded by Phil Welch. Motion passed.

Freddy Johnson made a motion to reappoint Tim Bradley to the VSWCF Board, motion was seconded by Phil Welch. Motion passed.

**Cert Board Appointments**

**Reappointments**

Fire and Rescue Commission Chair appointment – Wes Hutchins

Fire and Rescue Vice Chair appointment – Jimmy Hensley

Cloyce Anders made a motion to reappoint Kevin Gordon to the Certification Board, motion was seconded by Robert Poe. Motion passed.

Phil Welch made a motion to reappoint Terry Foxx to the Certification Board, motion was seconded by Kevin Gordon. Motion passed.

Phil Welch made a motion to reappoint Jim Hanline to the Certification Board, motion was seconded by Jerry Coble. Motion passed.

**CFI Board Appointments**

Kevin Gordon made a motion to reappoint Freddy Johnson to the CFI Board, motion was seconded by Phil Welch. Motion passed.

**Board Reports**

**Certification Board Update** – Kevin Gordon, Chair, Certification Board
The Board suspended one Instructor Certification for five years due to violations to the Policy and Procedures. Staff conducted two instructor investigations. Both instructors resigned. The Fire Officer online program is getting close to being finalized. TR rewrite is complete. FIT is complete and was released in July. RIC has been brought back as a certification and will be updated. Shallotte Fire and Rescue was approved to deliver the FF 1 and 2 certification program. Instructor Qualification requirements have changed. Instructors no longer have to be a Level 2 Instructor for two years before they are eligible for qualification. Firefighter, Technical Rescuer and Fire Life Safety Educator Qualification also had change, they now only require certification for three years in the certification to be eligible for Qualification. Elections for the Chair and Vice Chair will be held at the December 2016 meeting. Cherry Point and Sunny Point have surrendered their Delivery Agency status.

VSWCF – Cloyce Anders  
Cloyce presented the proposed premium increase for the Worker’s Compensation Fund. (see attachment)

A motion was made to approve the proposed premium increase effective July 1, 2017. The motion was seconded, motion passed.

Certified Fire Investigator Board Update – Freddy Johnson  
Chairman, Freddy Johnson noted they hadn’t meet for this quarter due to the need to reschedule. They will meet November 16. He explained that the CFI process is still being updated.

New Business

High School Firefighter Program - David Barbour – see attachment

Chief Bottoms and two students from the Walkertown High Program presented highlights from their school’s program. Chief Bottoms thanked Wes Hutchins and the Walkertown Fire Department for all their help. They couldn’t do it without them.

AGENCY REPORTS

Department of Insurance – Rick McIntyre

Meg Langston – Injury Prevention

Prevention Programs and Grants:
FRSE Conference  
Preconference classes begin 2/21 - 2/22/2017  
Conference begins mid-day on 2/22 and runs through 2/24/2017
Safe Kids Conference
Preconference classes begin 5/22 -5/23/2017
Conference 5/23 and runs through 5/26/2017
We continue to offer Child Passenger Safety Class. Please look for those on www.buckleupnc.org.
We have two new staff members Danielle Gunter and Claudia Summers

**Derrick Clouston – Commission, Training and Inspections – See attachment**

**Derrick Clouston – SERT update**

Activated on 10/6-10/20 in the State EOC

Strike Teams/Task Forces sent to help coordinate 80 pieces of Apparatus that were deployed during the event:
- Edgecombe
- Columbus
- Robeson
- Bladen
- Cumberland
- Brunswick

RCC East Logistics Overhead for Basecamp 5 OSFM Staff

Working with NCEM and FEMA for Temporary Facilities- Cotton FD, Fair Bluff, Pine Terrace, Princeville

Flood mitigation projects for the flooded departments. NCEM has requested that we work with the departments and local county EM’s to assist in helping relocate FD’s that have persistently flooded.

**Rob Roegner – RPD & Logistics**

Fire Officer, Driver Operator and Marine Firefighter are scheduled to be rewritten and released in 2016.

**NCSFA – Tim Bradley – See Attachment**

**NCAR&EMS – Terry Foxx**

High Angle Rescue School Unit 2 & 4 at Pilot Mountain State Park will be held November 4-6, 2016.
We have emailed Chief officers the Monetary Compensation Benefit forms so that they can get them to Rescue & EMS association members who sustained losses/damage of $1000 or more during the storm. They should be returned completed with requested information. If anyone knows of anyone who may need a form, please contact their Chief and/or the office.

Scholarship Applications for Members and Children of Members will be available on line through our website January 01-March 31.

Convention will be held in Hickory September 7-9, 2017. This year in addition to our rescue and BLS competitions we added a Junior Rescue Competition. This will be continued next year and we will have both EMS and Rescue Education Tracts. Please mark your calendars and information will become available on line.

Reminder for departments to be sure to update their rosters anytime someone is added to their departments so that no one will lose benefits. We are accepting roster certifications now and those need to be completed by January 15.

**NCAFC – Kevin Gordon**

Executive Development will be in September and October 2017 in Charlotte.

2017 Mid Winter Conference will be February 1 – 5, 2017

LODD pension bill is in the Legislature – allows a beneficiary clause – their beneficiary will get their benefits at the time they would have received the pension (at age 55).

**NCCCS – Winfield Abee – see attachment**

**NCFRI**

The NCSFRI is again partnering NCAFC and hosting the Instructors during the 2017 Mid-Winter Conference.

**PFPNC – Josh Smith**

Conducting research to determine how many NC firefighters die from Cancer. Working on funding sources.

**NC OEMS – Tom Mitchell**

There are 46 rules changing to meet the National Standards.

January 1, 2017 OEMS will no longer print EMS credentials. Individuals will have to go online and print them.

EMTS will be allowed to administer CPAP and other meds if they are on their person.

2017 meetings are as follows:

January 10, 2017
April 11, 2017
July 11, 2017
October 10, 2017
at the Pinecroft Sedgefield Fire Department with a start time of 10:00 a.m.

With no other business to be addressed today, the meeting was adjourned at 11:49a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Williams