

## **Arson Review Board Meeting July 8, 2015**

Attendees:      Henry Sermons                      Mike Tapp  
                     Rick McIntyre                      Lee Newcomb  
                     Matt Davis                              Steve Langham  
                     Barry Overman                      Ken Hair  
                     Freddy Johnson

Staff:              Wayne Bailey                      Rob Roegner  
                     Kim Williams

Chairman Sermons called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M.

Henry welcomed the new members asked members to introduce themselves

Motion was made by Mike Tapp to approve the agenda seconded by Lee Newcomb. Motion Passed.

Motion was made by Lee Newcomb seconded by Mike Tapp to approve the April 2015 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Kevin Gordon called in via conference call. Kevin reviewed the NFPA1033 Fire Investigator Technician document. Gave an update from the NFPA 1033 Development Committee.

### **Fire Investigation Technician**

Meeting Overview – 6/30/15 – Raleigh

Matt to update all practical skills to committee's recommendations and place in Drop Box.

Pilot Locations discussed – Gaston and Wake (Charlotte as a backup). Matt will make contact with the Community College directors.

Dates for Pilots – Oct/Nov 2015 and Jan 2016

Matt and Jonathan to develop a resource list for the community colleges.

Meeting dates will be on the first Thursday of each month in Raleigh at 10 a.m.

8/16/15, 9/3/15, 10/1/15, 11/5/15

A Timeline for all events was established (see Excel sheet)

### **Chapter Assignments: Due July 31, 2015**

Chris Elrod – 23, 24, and 25

Terry Lacy – 1, 8, 13, 15, 16, and 19

Jason Boggs – 5, 6, 11, and 21

David Williams – 3, 4, 7, and 22

Lee Newcomb – 2, 10, 12, and 14

Robert Smith – 17, and, 18, and 26

Rob Roegner – FIT lesson plans corrections should be completed by July 31, 2015. Chapters 20, 27 and 28 have been removed. North Carolina laws would be more defined in the new program. The insurance piece will be worked out before the release. The Fire Investigator Technician will not have recertification process. Once certified always certified. There will not be reciprocity for the Fire Investigator Technician.

Lee Newcomb has been promoted and will eventually be replaced on the Certified Fire Investigator Board.

### **Review Applications Presented**

The following recertification applications were reviewed:

Robert Snyder – Approved  
David Crow – Approved  
Norman Staines – Approved  
Coleman Cashion – Approved  
Robert Gasperson – Approved

Zane Poindexter – Approved  
Jayson Harrwood – Approved  
Richard Alford – Approved  
Andrew Bennett – Approved  
Garland Cloer – Approved

Steve Langham made a motion to approve the recertification approved requests. The motion was seconded by Lee Newcomb, motion carried.

Lennis Harris – Denied – the letter submitted states part time must be full time. No training was submitted. Motion was made by Steve Langham to deny Lennis Harris's recertification application. The motion was seconded by Lee Newcomb, motion carried.

Richard Heppert – Pending  
Needs documentation for fire scene investigations, did not list any investigations. Needs verification letter from fire chief of fire scene investigations. Motion was made by Steve Langham to deny Richard's recertification application. The motion was seconded by Ken Hair, motion carried.

Michael Brown – Pending  
Needs letter from supervisor for actual fire scene investigations.

The following initial certification applications were reviewed:

Tony Smart – Approved  
Brian Wade – Approved  
Jason Hackler – Approved  
Jon David Everhart – Approved

Jennifer Lowrance – Approved  
Joseph Smith – Approved  
Rodney Eason – Approved  
Willie Alston – Approved

Motion was made by Lee Newcomb to approve the initial certification approved application requests. The motion was seconded by Barry Overman, motion carried.

Joel Gullie – Denied – Didn't submit 100 points. Application total was 95.9. Application should be resubmitted with the 100 points documented. Motion was made by Matt Davis to deny Joel Gullie's certification request. The motion was seconded by Lee Newcomb, motion carried.

Adam Brown – Denied – Need documentation. Supporting documentation for diploma, professional experience and instructor experience were not submitted. The instructor experience was not fire related. Tested training hours was inadequate. Motion was made by Barry Overman to deny Adam Brown's initial certification request. The motion was seconded by Mike Tapp, motion carried.

## New Business

Matt Davis asked that they look at creating a list of approved course for the Fire Investigator certification and reviewing the current Arson Investigator Review process.

### Election of Chairman – Henry Sermons

Chairman Sermons asked for nominations. Matt Davis nominated Freddy Johnson. Freddy Johnson was elected Chairman without opposition.

Chairman Freddy Johnson thanked Henry Sermons for serving as the Chairman. Chairman Freddy Johnson asked for nominations for the Vice Chairman. Chairman Johnson nominated Matt Davis. Matt Davis was elected as the Vice Chairman without opposition.

Next meeting will be October 7, 2015 at OSFM.

Chairman Johnson appointed a CFI Committee and a Training Committee.

### **CFI Committee Members**

Matt Davis – Chairman  
Henry Sermons – Vice Chairman  
Ken Hair  
Mike Tapp

The CFI Committee will look into the pre-requisites and associated requirements to obtain the CFI certification.

### **Training Committee Members**

Steve Langham – Chairman  
Barry Overman – Vice Chairman  
Lee Newcomb  
Freddy Johnson

The Training Committee will come up with a list of approved courses or curriculum for the Advanced Level Certification.

Rick McIntyre will be on both committees.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kim Williams