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**FIREFIGHTER AND FIRE SAFETY INSPECTOR TRAINING COMMITTEE
STATE BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
MEETING MINUTES
December 18, 2013
~ Final ~**

Committee Meeting Date and Location: Wednesday, December 18, 2013 at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Conference Room 134 (Motorcycle Room), Columbus, Ohio.

Committee Members Present: James Davis, Deanna Harris, Daryl McNutt, Mark Resanovich, and Dudley Wright II

Committee Members Absent: None

EMS Staff Present: Jean Booze, Anna Firestone, Thomas Gwinn, Sherry Harkness, Melvin House, Doug Orahood, Ellen Owens, Robert Ruetenik, John Sands, and Melissa Vermillion.

Assistant Attorney General: Brandon Duck and Summer Moses

Guest and Public Present: None

Mr. McNutt called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mr. James Davis	Present	Mr. Resanovich	Present
Ms. Deanna Harris	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright II	Present
Mr. Daryl McNutt	Present		

Mr. McNutt noted for the record that a quorum was present to conduct business.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

OPEN FORUM - None

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. McNutt requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items including the October 16, 2013 meeting minutes that were distributed prior to the meeting.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items including the October 16, 2013 Meeting Minutes, FIRE certifications, accreditations and CE Site requests for the period of October 11, 2013 through December 11, 2013. Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Resanovich – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Firefighter and Fire Safety Inspector Training Sub-Committee, Doug Orahod

The University of Findlay has completed the draft of the Live Fire Training course. The draft was sent to the Fire Training Committees for comment, which were due by December 13, 2014. The final course should be released in February 2014.

The Fire Training curriculum objective check off sheets have been drafted and distributed to the Fire Training Committee for review and comment.

DEMS Fire Section continues to work on a variety of online fire testing issues. It is up and running smoothly within the new system. Currently gathering statistical information in which to analyze the state's pass rates, test, and item performance.

DEMS is developing a group of subject matter experts, establishing their credentials, etc. The group will assist in developing the fire test questions and to review the items currently in test bank.

DEMS met with the Ohio Fire Officials Association to discuss the Fire Safety Inspectors test. It was determined that the Jones and Bartlett Fire Inspectors text book is not sufficient for the Fire Safety Inspectors course. Therefore the Jones and Bartlett Fire Inspector text book will not be referenced within the State Certification examinations. DEMS has reached out to Jones and Bartlett requesting use of their questions, however, they will not permit DEMS to utilize their item banks. This has made it impossible to match up the terminology from their text books with the IFSTA item banks. Although some programs are currently using Jones and Bartlett text books, DEMS is not permitted to dictate which publishers programs use. DEMS has however made those programs aware of the issue and that their students may struggle with the tests. Those programs have stated that they will more than likely be changing publishers. The Fire Safety Inspectors test is the only test that does not coincide with the Jones and Bartlett text book terminology. DEMS is working with all the programs to monitor the test pass rates to ensure that this does not become an issue with the Fire Safety Inspectors test.

DEMS along with the Ohio Fire Officials Association also determined that there were not enough items in Chapter 1 of the Ohio Fire Code. As a result items and test questions will be developed on Chapter 1 that will be reviewed and perhaps added to the State Certification exam.

The practical skill sheets have been reviewed, updated accordingly, and posted to the EMS website. The practical skills sheets are ready to use as soon as the new rules are implemented. DEMS will be forming additional groups of experts to develop items. A class will be given to the groups on item writing which will assist DEMS in building the test question base. They will then be given to the publishing companies as a reference.

Rules Update – The fire rules revisions are complete and will take effect April 1, 2014. DEMS is developing an implementation plan. There will be several major steps that will need to be taken prior to the rule implementation. DEMS will notify the charters, develop a training/webinar for programs, develop a rule change analysis for the webpage, release the live fire training course, update the skill sheets and objectives, and etc. The goal is to have everything in place by March 1, 2014.

GOLDMAN PROCEEDINGS - None

FIRE INVESTIGATIONS, MELISSA VERMILLION AND STAFF

ACTION: Motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing proposed disciplinary action against certificate holders pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) or pursuant to 121.22(G)(5) that involve matters required to be kept confidential under Ohio Revised Code Section 149.43(A)(2) or 4765.102(B).

Roll Call

Mr. James Davis Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich.....Present
Ms. Deanna Harris Present	Mr. Dudley Wright IIPresent
Mr. Daryl McNutt Present	

The Committee returned from Executive Session at 1:14 p.m.

ACTION: Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to accept the following Consent Agreements: Mr. Davis – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Abstain – Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2012-620-F500 *non-disciplinary 2013-46-F100 2013-447-F100 2013-452-BF100	2012-295-F100 2012-431-BF100 2012-441-F100 2010-545-F100 *Propose a consent
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ACTION: Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to proceed with Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and not offer a Consent Agreement. Mr. .Davis – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Abstain – Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2012-253-F100

ACTION: Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to close the following cases: Mr. Davis – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Abstain – Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2010-585-BF100 re-open if r-applies 2012-435-F500 *Rescind NOH 2013-343-BF500 *No Jurisdiction- refer to Fire Marshall 2013-369-BF500 *Non-violation	2013-422-F500 *Rescind NOH 2013-423-F500 * Rescind NOH 2013-451-BF500* No jurisdiction 2013-457-BF100 *Non-violation	2013-520-F300 *Withdraw app 2013-580-F500 *Non Violation 2013-582-BE500 *Non Violation 2013-583-F100
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ACTION: Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to close the following cases: Mr. Davis – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Abstain – Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2012-715-F300 2012-768-F300 2013-60-F300 2013-61-F300	2013-83-F300 2013-101-F300 2013-103-F300 2013-108-F300
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ACTION: Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to close the following cases; individuals have met the stipulations of their Consent Agreements: Mr. Davis – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Abstain – Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2011-1020-BF100 2012-613-F500 2013-376-F100

ACTION: Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to Issue Notices of Opportunity for Hearings for the following cases: Mr. Davis – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Abstain – Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2013-213-F100	2012-393-E100 (2012-120-F100)
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ACTION: Motion to recommend to the Executive Director to close the following cases due to one of the following reasons: inadvertently marked yes to conviction question, misdemeanor convictions that have previously been deemed “not involving moral turpitude”, local issues, and grandfathering issues of certification/conviction. Mr. Davis – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Abstain – Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2012-940-F100	2013-418-BF500	2013-556-F100	2013-585-F100
2013-75-F500	2013-437-BF100	2013-559--BF100	2013-586-F100
2013-77-F100	2013-457-BF100	2013-570-BF100	2013-596-F100
2013-121-F500	2013-490-F100	2013-571-F100	2013-599-F100
2013-201-BF100	2013-502-B100	2013-572-BF100	2013-600-F100
2013-357-F100	2013-518-F100	2013-573-F100	

Certification, Jean Booze

Jean Booze reported on the military and medical certified exemption request with a total of eight dual certified CE exemptions requests, three fire only; eight due to military deployment and three due to medical condition requests. The staff recommends approval.

ACTION: Motion to approve medical and military exemptions. Mr. Resanovich – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Old Business

Nothing to discuss.

New Business

Nothing to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Motion to adjourn. Mr. Davis - First

The meeting adjourned at 1:16 p.m.