MEETING MINUTES

For the June 19, 2025 Meeting.

MEETING DETAILS

Date: June 19, 2025 **Time:** 11:00am

Location: Virtually via Microsoft Teams Meeting ID: 273 918 624 796 Passcode: bf6Kb7nF and Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association Convention (IVFA) Cliffy Inn, Overlook Room, 1650

Cliffy Hollow Road, Madison, Indiana 47250

Member Attendance

Name	Pres	ent	Means of Participation	
	Yes	No		
Steve Anderson	\boxtimes		In Person	
Amy Biggs		\boxtimes	NA	
Jonathan Whitham	\boxtimes		Electronic Means (MS	
(Proxy for Secretary			Teams)	
Green)				
Eric Dreiman	\boxtimes		In Person	
Scott Garrett		\boxtimes	NA	
Eric Gentry		\boxtimes	NA	
Tom Hanify	\boxtimes		In Person	
Fire Marshall Stephen	\boxtimes		In Person	
Jones)				
Burke Jones	\boxtimes		In Person	
Tony Murray	\boxtimes		In Person	
Tim Smith	\boxtimes		Electronic Means (MS	
			Teams)	

Notes

Additional information may be available at the Commission's Web Page.

Also in attendance: John Shafer, Justin Guedel, Sean Wooding, Nichelle Elliott, Regine Johnson, Katlin O'Neal

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Review and Action on March 2025 Meeting Minutes Board accepted the minutes with no corrections.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Steve Anderson	\boxtimes	
Amy Biggs		
Jonathan Whitham	\boxtimes	
Eric Dreiman	\boxtimes	
Scott Garrett		
Eric Gentry		
Tom Hanify	\boxtimes	
Stephen Jones	×	
Burke Jones	\boxtimes	
Tony Murray	\boxtimes	
Tim Smith	\boxtimes	

- 4. State Fire Marshal Report Stephen Jones
 - i. 45 Fire fatalities, 13 Arson Arrest, 415 cases year to date.
 - Fire Departments need to plan ahead for budgets.
 - Live Fire Training is a focus at the Hub and Spoke facilities. iii.
 - 3 Line of Duty Deaths, seat belt importance. iv.
- 5. Academy Director Report John Shafer
 - i. Courses with IVFA Adult Education
 - ii. Building progress for the remaining Hub and Spoke buildings.
 - iii. 8,393 certifications issued, 938 IFSAC seals issued, 385 reciprocity requests, 119 variance requests.
 - iv. IFSAC membership fees are increasing. Reaccreditation coming up in December 2025. Pro Board accreditation is in progress.
 - v. New Executive orders from The Governor 2514 DEI were removed from Fire Officer skills and the Fire Officer test bank. Chapters are still covered.

- vi. Increase in cheating which prompted the ERG book to be removed from an allowable resource during testing.
- vii. Instructor Reciprocity cannot be used to gain the certification back.

6. Old Business

- i. 655 IAC 2-2-1 and 655 IAC 4-3 edits to the updated rules. These changes would make some Fire Certifications mandatory with the rest being voluntary.
- 7. New Business
- 8. Legal and Administrative
 - i. Certification Sanctions
 - a. Zane Stradridge OWI Letter or Reprimand *Motion to Approve.1st Tony Murray 2nd Burke Jones*

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	Yes	No
Steve Anderson		
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Eric Dreiman	\boxtimes	
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Eric Gentry		
Tom Hanify		
Stephen Jones	\boxtimes	
Burke Jones	\boxtimes	
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Tim Smith	\boxtimes	

b. Kyle Lemna – Testing incident – Probation for 2 years, cannot serve as a Proctor. *Motion to Approve.1st Steve Anderson 2nd Tony Murray*

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Eric Dreiman	\boxtimes	
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Tom Hanify	\boxtimes	
Stephen Jones	\boxtimes	
Burke Jones	\boxtimes	
Tony Murray	\boxtimes	
Tim Smith	\boxtimes	

- ii. Secretary Jennifer-Ruth Green Proxy notification for future BFPSE meetings
- 9. Public Comment and Discussion
- 10. Final Comments and Closing Remarks

11. Next Meeting

Thursday, September 18, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. Indiana Emergency Response Conference (IERC). Embassy Suites – Noblesville 13700 Conference Center Dr. South, Noblesville, Indiana 46060 and Via Microsoft TEAMS Virtual meeting details Meeting ID: 225 401 097 052 Passcode: 6cy6Sp6x.

12. Adjournment