

MEETING MINUTES

For the March 12, 2026 Meeting.

MEETING DETAILS

Date: March 12, 2026

Time: 11:00am

Location: Made@Plainfield 1610 Reeves Road Room 130, Plainfield, IN 46168. Via Microsoft TEAMS Virtual meeting details Meeting ID: 293 662 175 578 83 Passcode: Q8yS9VJ7

Meeting Materials: <https://www.in.gov/dhs/boards-and-commissions/bfpse-meeting-materials>

Live Stream Access: https://events.in.gov/event/board-of-firefighting-personnel-standards-education-bfpse-meeting-450?utm_campaign=widget&utm_medium=widget&utm_source=State+of+Indiana

Archived Meetings: <https://www.youtube.com/@IDHSBoardsandCommissions>

Member Attendance

Name	Present		Means of Participation
	Yes	No	
Steve Anderson	☒	☐	In Person
Amy Biggs	☐	☒	NA
Eric Camel	☒	☐	Electronic Means (MS Teams)
Eric Dreiman	☐	☒	NA
Scott Garrett	☐	☒	NA
Eric Gentry	☒	☐	In Person
Tom Hanify	☒	☐	In Person
Jonathan Whitam	☐	☐	NA
Burke Jones	☒	☐	In Person
Stephen Jones	☒	☐	In Person
Christopher Gamblin	☒	☐	In Person
Tony Murray	☒	☐	Electronic Means (MS Teams)
Tim Smith	☒	☐	In Person

Notes

Additional information may be available at the [Commission's Web Page](#).

Also in attendance: John Shafer, Justin Guedel, Sean Wooding, Zach Mathews Nichelle Elliott, Regine Johnson,



BOARD OF FIREFIGHTING PERSONNEL STANDARDS & EDUCATION



1. Call to

Order

2. Roll Call

3. Review and Action on December 2025 Meeting Minutes - Board accepted the minutes with no corrections.

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Steve Anderson	☒	☐
Amy Biggs	☐	☐
Jonathan Whitam	☐	☐
Eric Dreiman	☐	☐
Scott Garrett	☐	☐
Eric Gentry	☒	☐
Tom Hanify	☒	☐
Eric Camel	☒	☐
Burke Jones	☒	☐
Stephen Jones	☒	☐
Christopher Gamblin	☒	☐
Tony Murray	☒	☐
Tim Smith	☒	☐

4. State Fire Marshal Report – Stephen Jones

i. Winter Fire School recap

5. Academy Director Report – John Shafer

i. Hub and Spoke – Seymour was the final site. Thirteen (13) buildings were completed in three (3) years.

- ii. International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) site visit will be this month for reaccreditation.

6. Old Business –

- i. Proposed Draft Title 655 IAC – The draft is being reviewed by the INSPA. Next step is a Public Hearing on any changes.

7. New Business

- i. Director John Shafer – Curriculum changes:
 Confined Space Rescue Operations and Technician to the Jones and Barlett 2nd edition.
 Rope Rescue Operations and Technician to Jones and Barlett 5th edition
 Hazmat Technician IFSTA 2nd edition
 Vehicle Rescue Operations and Technician IFSTA 4th edition
 Driver Operator Mobile Water Supply, Aerial, Pumper and General IFSTA 3rd edition
 This information will also be included in the next Bugle.
- ii. Annual Elections for Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary
 Chairman Nomination – Eric Dreiman

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Steve Anderson	☒	☐
Amy Biggs	☐	☐
Jonathan Whitam	☐	☐
Eric Dreiman	☐	☐
Scott Garrett	☐	☐
Eric Gentry	☒	☐
Tom Hanify	☒	☐
Eric Camel	☒	☐
Burke Jones	☒	☐
Stephen Jones	☒	☐
Christopher Gamblin	☒	☐
Tony Murray	☒	☐
Tim Smith	☒	☐

Motion to Approve. 1st Tom Hanify 2nd Burke Jones

Vice Chairman Nomination – Eric Gentry

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Steve Anderson	☒	☐
Amy Biggs	☐	☐
Jonathan Whitam	☐	☐
Eric Dreiman	☐	☐
Scott Garrett	☐	☐
Eric Gentry	☒	☐
Tom Hanify	☒	☐
Eric Camel	☒	☐
Burke Jones	☒	☐
Stephen Jones	☒	☐
Christopher Gamblin	☒	☐
Tony Murray	☒	☐
Tim Smith	☒	☐

Motion to Approve. 1st Tony Murray 2nd Steve Anderson

Secretary Nomination – Steve Anderson

Name	Vote	
	Yes	No
Steve Anderson	☒	☐
Amy Biggs	☐	☐
Jonathan Whitam	☐	☐
Eric Dreiman	☐	☐
Scott Garrett	☐	☐
Eric Gentry	☒	☐
Tom Hanify	☒	☐
Eric Camel	☒	☐
Burke Jones	☒	☐
Stephen Jones	☒	☐
Christopher Gamblin	☒	☐
Tony Murray	☒	☐
Tim Smith	☒	☐

Motion to Approve. 1st Tom Hanify 2nd Eric Gentry

8. Legal and Administrative

- i. House Bill 1003 – Sean Wooding – Boards were removed, The Board of Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education was taken out of the bill and will continue to operate as usual.

9. Public Comment and Discussion

10. Final Comments and Closing Remarks

11. Next Meeting – June 25, 2026 MADE@Plainfield 1610 Reeves Road, Plainfield, Indiana 46168

12. Adjournment