



**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Fire Service Membership Council Governing Committee**

**Thursday, October 15, 2020
1:30 p.m. EDT**

**“Founded by Members to Serve our Members . . .
Benefitting Communities Worldwide”**

FSMC Governing Committee Members	Representing	Present
Gary West -- Chair -- National Fire Sprinkler Association, Nashville, TN	NASFM	X
Randy Metz -- Vice Chair -- Carlsbad Fire Department, CA	IAFC:W	X
Bryan Adams -- Pleasant Valley Fire District, OH	ICC	X
Rick Boisvert -- Brighton Area Fire Authority, MI	IAFC:GL	X
Robert Buxton -- Hudson Fire Department, NH	IAFC:NE	X
Tim Cowan -- City of Oneida Fire Department, NY (Ret.)	IAFC:E	
Michael Desrochers -- State of Vermont Division of Fire Safety	NASFM	X
Timothy Diehl -- Howard County DPW/Bureau of Facilities	ICC	X
Kara Gerczynski -- Elizabeth Fire Protection District, CO	IAFC:MV	X
Andy King -- Franklin Fire Department, TN	IAFC:SE	X
Kelly Nicoello -- Underwriters Laboratories, TX	NASFM	X
Coy Porter -- Utah State Fire Marshal's Office	NASFM	X
Christine Reed -- Central County Fire Department, CA	ICC	X
Brian Sloat -- City of Fayetteville, AR	IAFC:SW	
Steve Swarouth -- Riverside County Fire Department, CA	ICC	
Mark Wassom -- Olathe Fire Department, KS	ICC	X
TBD -- Appointment Pending --	ICC	--
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International Code Council (ICC) Staff and Liaisons	Present
Angie Wiese -- ICC Director, FSMC Liaison to the ICC BOD -- St. Paul, MN	X
Bill Bryant -- ICC Past President	X
Karl Fippinger -- Vice President, Fire & Disaster Mitigation -- ICC	X
Tim Schmitz -- Lead Senior Regional Mgr., Gov't Relations -- ICC	X

Members/Guests Joining by Teleconference	Present
Robby Dawson -- Southeast Regional Director -- NFPA	X
Page Dougherty -- Fire Protection Engineer II -- Thornton (CO) Fire Department	X
Kyle Green -- Fire Marshal -- University Fire Department (AL)	X

Members/Guests Joining by Teleconference	Present
Joshua Harmon -- ICC Sustainability Membership Council -- FSMC Liaison	X
Sandie Hastings -- Fire Safety Specialist -- Riverside County (CA) Fire Department	X
Stephen Hrustich – Project Manager, Vision 20/20	X
Aaron Murg, Fire Protection Specialist -- North County Fire Protection District -- Fallbrook (CA)	X
Jeff Shapiro -- International Code Consultants, Inc. -- Austin, TX	X
Joe Zuccaro -- Asst. Fire Marshal -- San Bernardino County Fire Department (CA)	X

FSMC Governing Committee Teleconference Meeting Agenda:

- 1) Call to Order/Roll Call/Welcome guests (West/Fippinger)
 - a) Note: If you would like your attendance noted and you are not a standing invitee, please type your information into the meeting chat or email kfippinger@iccsafe.org.
- 2) Guest Presentation (Slides attached)

Update from the Vision 20/20 Project

Chief Stephen Hrustich
Project Manager
Vision 20/20

Director Wiese noted that the fire death rate is nearly double in rural areas of the state than it is in the metro area. The solutions are different when addressing rural versus metro. Vision 20/20 might be well positioned to help the fire service make that distinction through the materials that they offer. Chief Hrustich agreed and will follow up to help fill some of the gaps.

- 3) Opening Remarks from the Chair (West)
 - a) Additions or Corrections to the Agenda
 - i) Jeff Shapiro requested to a discussion of the ICC Code of Ethics under New Business.
 - b) Approval of Minutes
 - i) September 15, 2020 Microsoft Teams Meeting
 - (1) Motion to accept: Randy Metz; Second: Kara Gerczynski; Discussion: None; Approved unanimously
- 4) 2020 Work Group Updates (West)
 - a) Member Recruitment (King)
 - i) No meeting this month. We continue to email and market a larger group to promote our speakers each month to keep things interesting.
 - b) Emerging Issues and Trends (Desrochers)
 - i) No report. Next meeting will be end of October. Invited everyone on the call to participate in the workgroup if interested.
 - c) Public Awareness (Reed)

- i) Inflatable spray booth document has been completed and sent to Karl and Tim for marketing review and formatting.
 - ii) Fire Prevention Week tweets went out highlighting national theme of kitchen safety.
 - iii) Now moving on to highlighting UL's Close Before You Doze program to AHJs for their awareness
 - iv) Working on 2021 goals by end of year.
 - v) Jeff Shapiro wanted to know if spray booth paper had been sent to FCAC for their information. Chief Reed responded that the document is informational in nature and doesn't make specific code suggestions. Our work should not be in conflict with anything FCAC is working on. Kelly Nicoletto noted that he is on the FCAC inflatable spray booth work group. The current language we've agreed to is to prohibit their use.
- d) Training and Education (Gerczynski)
- i) October's monthly meeting had technical issues, so it didn't occur.
 - ii) Group is narrowing down training for ABM. Looks like we will be submitting a class on construction fire safety and the Hard Rock Café building collapse in New Orleans. Hoping to submit a class on emerging issues and trends as well as flammable refrigerants. Kelly Nicoletto has recommendations for sources that can help with the A2L/flammable refrigerants topic.
 - iii) Working on ICC "Center Stage" topics. Received a tentative yes from Sean DeCrane at UL. More discussion coming regarding topics.
 - iv) Gathering questions to present to ICC regarding professional development for the fire service.
- 5) Reports from Officers (West/Metz)
- a) ICC Director/FSMC Governing Committee Liaison (Wiese)
- i) Director Wiese offered an update on the appeals process. Appeals have concluded. Additional topics will be given to the Blue Ribbon committee and By-Laws committee. If you have other issues to be discussed there, please bring them forward through Karl.
 - ii) Acknowledged all of the work FCAC is doing. Thanks to everyone working on FCAC proposals.
 - iii) Global Services offered a great webinar last week. Worth looking at if you have time.
 - iv) Acknowledged value of monthly speakers. Recommended FSMC include speakers from the ICC Family of Solutions for future meetings.
 - v) Couple of changes to board assignments for 2021. I will be joining the ICC Evaluation Service board of managers as ICC board liaison. I will also be joining the CEO evaluation committee. ICC Immediate Past President Bill Bryant will be the new board liaison to the FSMC.
 - (1) Bill Bryant gave brief introduction and stated that the Codes and Standards Committee has filled all committee appointments for upcoming cycle.
 - (2) Chief West and Kelly Nicoletto thanked Angie for all she has done to support the Fire Service Membership Council over the years.
- b) Chair's Report - (West)
- i) Chief West stated the group should continue the process of developing their goals for 2021

- c) Vice Chair's Report - (Metz)
 - i) Communicating with Director Ellis on Fire Service Award rename to Robert W. Gain Fire Prevention Leadership Award. Still have some work to do on the official name change (web site, historical info/individuals, etc.). Thank you to Jim Tidwell and Jeff Shapiro for their assistance.
 - ii) Continuing to participate in the calls for the Blue Ribbon Committee, Friday October 23 is next call. Much of their work affects the fire service.
- d) Staff liaison (Fippinger)
 - i) Thanked Director Wiese for her help with the FSMC.
 - ii) Reminded Committee to begin work on their FSMC annual report feedback. Need to get documents to Karla by mid-November for publishing the report
 - iii) Offered an update on Digital Codes Premium platform and webinar
 - iv) Building Membership Council and Fire Service Membership Council are working together to highlight and recognize some our 2020 award applicants. More to come.
 - v) Beth Tubbs and Michelle Britt from ICC staff will be presenting a session during ICC Learn Live on energy storage systems. Their presentation will look at both the environmental aspects and the fire safety aspects of these systems. Sean DeCrane from UL will offer a short presentation on the lessons learned from the Surprise, AZ ESS deflagration incident.
- 6) On-Going Business (West)
 - i) No report.
- 7) New Business
 - i) ICC Code of Ethics
 - (1) Jeff Shapiro offered an informational update on the ICC Code of Ethics. The Industry Advisory Committee (IAC) transmitted a formal recommendation of proposed changes to Council Policy 37 on ethics at that time. The ICC board reviewed and decided to remove CP37 and replaced it with the ICC's current Code of Ethics. The current language in the document is aspirational as opposed to a formal ethics policy. The IAC plans to take this on again in their call later this month and will potentially be sending another policy recommendation to the board to institute a council policy.
 - ii) Resignation from Chief Kevin Gallagher
 - (1) Karl read resignation letter from Chief Kevin Gallagher, Acushnet Fire and EMS Department.
 - (2) Chief West discussed FSMC plans to leave this position vacant until the new year.
- 8) Next Meeting
 - i) Thursday, November 12, 2020 @ 1:30 p.m. EDT
 - (1) Changed from November 19 as so not to conflict with a scheduled meeting of FCAC.

9) Questions/Comments from the Audience

i) None

10) Good of the Order

i) None

11) Adjourn

a) Motion: Kelly Nicoletto; Second: Randy Metz; Discussion: None; Result: Passed unanimously.

Gary West, Chair
2020 FSMC Governing Committee

Randy Metz, Vice-Chair
2020 FSMC Governing Committee

2020 FSMC Meeting Schedule

Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
16	13	19	23	21	25	23	27	24	15	12	17
WebEx	WebEx	WebEx	WebEx	Teams	Teams	Teams	Teams	Teams	Teams	Teams	Teams

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