



BOARD FOR FIREFIGHTING
PERSONNEL STANDARDS AND EDUCATION

Agenda – January 14, 2019 6:00 PM
Indianapolis Fire Department Headquarters
955 Fort Wayne Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46202

NOTE: All variance request must be received no less than 20 days prior to the Fire Board Meeting to be put on the Agenda.

A. Call to order – 6:00PM – Meeting called to Order

Board Members Present

Eric Drieman (Chair); Eric Gentry (Vice Chair); Rob Lund (Secretary) via phone and webinar; Tom Hanify; James Greeson (State Fire Marshal); Greg Wyant; John Smith; Jason Rogers; John Brown (Director of Training & Preparedness and Director of Planning)

NOTE: Due to Rob Lund attending via phone and webinar all votes were taken by rollcall vote, where each member states their name and how they are voting.

Board Members Not Present

Genois Brabson; M. Burke Jones; 1 Vacant Seat (Chris Johnson)

Other Staff Members Present

Charles Heflin; Michelle Allen; Donna Saine; Regine Johnson; Wade Walling; Elizabeth Westfall.

- B. Consideration and approval of December 3, 2018 Fire Board Meeting Minutes
Motion to approve minutes by *1st Greg Wyant, 2nd by Eric Gentry*, the remaining board members stated “Aye” in agreement to approve September meeting minutes. *Motion carries*
- C. New Variance requests (staff recommends approval)
1. Fort Wayne Community is requesting a variance from 655 IAC 1-1-12(e) to allow the following students, each of whom currently is 16 years of age and a junior, to take the written examinations for Awareness (HMA 0159) prior to taking the practical skills examinations, with the variance to be valid until their 19th, birthday.



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In addition, they are requesting a variance from 655 IAC 1-1-12(h) to allow the following students to take the practical skills examinations for Hazardous Materials Awareness at the age of 17 years and 1 week and have their passing score remain valid until their 18th birthday, with the variance to be valid until their 19th birthday.

Please refer to documentation presented. See list of students on next page.

Last Name	First Name	PSID
Al-khuzai	Ali	4939-9135
Berghoff	Izaak	3727-2426
Burden	Kania	0588-1347
Burkhead	Dawson	5953-9523
Caldwell	Arielle	7426-9756
Carvalho	Kyleigh	5811-4281
Clark	Madison	3145-5661
Cruz	Leticia	8369-8595
Cruz	Berenice	2671-9988
Darrow	Zachary Jr.	5836-0872
Diehm	Colin	8054-3623
Doswell	Devin	0440-7071
Easterline	Logan	8327-1494
Fairchild	Martin	0612-7937
Geans	Joshua Lee	3594-1530
Hadsall	Trevor	7157-1887
Halilovic	Jasmin	4491-3267
Hetler	Sam	2830-0689
Hieber	Cole	2381-4821
Hilger	Henry	0164-2069
Honn	Harrison	2249-3925
Hoover	Jerme	9266-0333
Hopkins	Isaiah	1484-3084
Jacobs	Blake	7921-2728
Jones	Emma	7024-4382
Keener	Noah	4914-2545
Kever	Aiden	7874-5625
Lounsbery	Jaylee	3099-8559

Last Name	First Name	PSID
Mcdowell	Miranda	6260-0150
Meier	Keenan	8502-9491
Meza	Juan	5072-0031
Morales	Esterfaniyaneo	7605-7754
Nichter	Madison	9832-5137
Olry	Cody	1510-2130
Primitivo	Miranda	9368-2012
Reed	Dakota	7472-6859
Richards	Sierra	2379-9877
Robertson	Kiya	2650-2691
Roe	Benjamin	9690-9010
Rowland	Dyaria	8950-5360
Rybolt	Caleb	2278-1222
Scanlon	Adom	1061-3806
Shiriaev	Matthew	7024-0991
Shroyer	Carson	4041-7398
Smith	Donyell	2199-9218
Starnes	Mallory	7423-2153
Swangin	Garrett	4624-4163
Swisshelm	Kennedy	0139-5479
Taylor	Austin	2697-9793
Trocchio	Zach	6974-6284
Ware	Deondre	8818-4464
Wetzel	Caleb	3278-6557
Wyss	Gus	1207-6163
Xayyachack	Augustine	9847-7096
Yenser	Carly	6708-6018
Zakhi	Shane	3120-5856

Motion to approve 1st Eric Gentry, 2nd James Gresson all voting members voted “Aye” to approve. Motion carries.

2. Chandler Volunteer Fire Department is requesting a variance from 655 IAC 1-1-12(e) to allow the following students, each of whom currently is 16 years of age and a junior, to take the written

examinations for Mandatory, Firefighter I, Firefighter II, Hazardous Materials Awareness and Hazardous Materials Operations (Module A, B, C, and D), prior to taking the practical skills examinations, with the variance to be valid until their 19th, birthday.

In addition, they are requesting a variance from 655 IAC 1-1-12(h) to allow the following students to take the practical skills examinations for [Mandatory, Firefighter I, Firefighter II, and Hazardous Materials Operations] at the age of 17 years and 1 week and have their passing score remain valid until their 18th birthday, with the variance to be valid until their 19th birthday:

Last Name	First Name	PSID
Pribble	Arizona	6712-4091

Motion to approve 1st Eric Gentry, 2nd James Greeson all voting members voted “Aye” to approve. *Motion carries.*

- Southeastern Career Center is requesting a variance from 655 IAC 1-1-12(e) to allow the following students, each of whom currently is 16 years of age and a junior, to take the written examinations for Mandatory, Firefighter I, Firefighter II, Hazardous Materials Awareness and Hazardous Materials Operations (Module A, B, C, and D), prior to taking the practical skills examinations, with the variance to be valid until their 19th, birthday.

In addition, they are requesting a variance from 655 IAC 1-1-12(h) to allow the following students to take the practical skills examinations for [Mandatory, Firefighter I, Firefighter II, and Hazardous Materials Operations] at the age of 17 years and 1 week and have their passing score remain valid until their 18th birthday, with the variance to be valid until their 19th birthday:

Last Name	First Name	PSID		Last Name	First Name	PSID
Calvert	Tristen			Hundley	Bryan	4760-1137
Carter	Lakota	9087-2335		Lind	Logan	9984-4071
Curlin	Cameron	3706-3705		McGowan	Gia	4311-5268
Dillion	Alyssa	0882-5808		Sunderman	William	5657-2874
Harp	Savannah	8638-6466		Wallzs	Isaac	
Hooker	Johnathan	5714-2274		Hundley	Bryan	4760-1137

Motion to approve 1st Eric Gentry, 2nd James Greeson all voting members voted “Aye” to approve. *Motion carries.*

D. New Variance requests (staff recommends denial)

- Andrew Giordano 2660-8714 – Fire Officer 1 Variance Request. He has completed two eLearning online courses in 2015. He acquired his Blue Card Incident Command certification. He has also complete Indiana practical skills for Fire Officer 1 in 2016.

Motion to deny 1st James Greeson, 2nd Eric Gentry all voting members voted “Aye” to deny. *Motion carries.*

2. John Buchman - Fire Officer Beta courses- Allowance of additional students (James Payne and Johnathan Sprinkle) to be added to the course.
Motion to deny 1st James Greeson, 2nd Eric Gentry all voting members voted “Aye” to deny. *Motion carries.*
- E. New Variance requests (staff has no recommendation)
- G. State Fire Marshal Report – James Greeson
 1. *Fire Prevention and Safety Grant Approved*- IDHS plans to purchase five thousand smoke detectors with the ten year lithium battery each year. Five hundred Deaf and Hard of Hearing smoke alarms will also be purchased each year. There is an application on our website where you can apply. We will work with the local Fire Departments and the Red Cross to distribute these. There were a reported 93 fire fatalities in 2018. We are working to reduce this number.
 2. *Fire Marshall Leadership Seminar*- The first seminar will be Feb 9 at the Shelbyville Intelliplex. The second seminar will be Feb 23 Jasper Habig at the Community Center. The last one will be March 9 Warsaw at the Government Center. Free lunch will be provided. Instructors who attend the seminars will be awarded 8 in-service hours. Some of the topics covered will be Mental Health, Cancer Prevent and Public Safety. There will also be time allotted for discussion. You can self-enroll through your Acadis account.
- H. Director of Training/Preparedness & Planning – John Brown
 1. *Department changes*- Departure of Elizabeth Westfall as the State Training Officer. Hiring of Michael Schantz as the Project Manager for the Training Division. Jeff Groh as the IDHS Chief of Operations.
- I. Academy Administrator – Charles Heflin
 1. *Fire Training Academy*- We are working on the three year strategy for the Academy.
 2. *Department changes* - Hiring of Elizabeth Westfall as the Quality Assurance Director. Zach Westfall is a contractor working to get Staff Rosters updated in Acadis.
 3. *Updates to the following programs* - Health and Incident Safety Officer, Vehicle Machinery Operations and Technician, Fire Officer Strategy and Tactics, Hazmat Awareness, Operations, and Technician will be bought up to the current standard. Later this year we will be working on Firefighter 1 and 2 and Fire Investigator.
 4. *Fire Board Rewrite* – We are nearing the end of this process and we should have a draft at the March Fire Board meeting

5. John Buchman Fire Officer 1 Beta update – there were a few learning curves with this course. We are still working on processing all of the submitted paperwork. Beta Test extension for another 6 months – Two additional courses are being conducted. **Motion to approve 1st Jason Rogers, 2nd John Brown** all voting members voted “Aye” to approve. **Motion carries.**

J. Administrative Proceedings/ Non-Final Orders – Legal

1. Derek Byers 9261-7127 – Discussion of Fire Service certifications.
Motion to table 1st John Smith, 2nd John Brown all voting members voted “Aye” to table until March 25th 2018 meeting. **Motion carries.**

K. Old Business –

1. John Shafer 5098-0139 – Mandatory Variance from December meeting.
Motion to approve 1st Thomas Hanify, 2nd James Greeson all voting members voted “Aye” to approve. **Motion carries.**

L. New Business –

1. John Buchman – Vehicle Curriculum and Beta Testing
Recommends we only certify to Vehicle Operation and Vehicle Technician level to the current NFPA Standard. At this time there is not a book covering Machinery. We are currently searching for new curriculum for Machinery. Will the Fire Board vote to approve curriculum development from IFSTA 4th edition Principles of Vehicle Extrication?
Motion to approve 1st Greg Wyant, 2nd John Smith all voting members voted “Aye” to approve. **Motion carries, IFSTA 4th Edition Principles of Vehicle Extrication will be the new book for updated curriculum of Vehicle Extrication (currently being worked on). The staff at DHS will inquire to find curriculum on Machinery.**

M. Open discussion, comments, questions?

1. There was some discussion from Kirkland Fire Department on the Derek Byers case which was tabled until the next meeting.

Next meeting: March 25, 2019 6:00PM
 Hamilton County Training Center
 7925 E. 160th Street
 Noblesville, IN 46062

Approved: _____
Eric Dreiman, Chairman

Date: _____