

FIRE SERVICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2024
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: Elk River Fire Department
13073 Orono Pkwy NW
Elk River, MN 55330

P	Aaron Cocking <i>Vice Chair</i> Insurance Federation of MN	P	Don Smiley MN State Fire Chief's Assoc. (MSFCA)
P	Kip LaMotte Fire Marshals Assoc. of MN / International Assoc. of Arson Investigators-MN Chapter	P	Scott Vadnais MN Professional Firefighters Assoc. (MPFF)
P	Pete Johnson MN Professional Fire Fighters Assoc. (MPFF)	A	Dave Yurczyk MN State Fire Department Assoc. (MSFDA)
P	Mark Windschitl League of MN Cities	P	Jim McCoy MN State Fire Chief's Assoc. (MSFCA)
P	Tim Meehl League of MN Cities	P	Ed Hoffman <i>Chair</i> MN State Fire Department Assoc. (MSFDA)
A	Jim Fisher MN Assoc. of Townships	P	John Cunningham Commissioner Designee

Guests: Allison Marcus (MBFTE), Steve Flaherty (MBFTE) Ross Hoernermann (MBFTE), Scott Saehr (MFSCB), Mark Nelson (Century College), Jeremiah Melquist (SPFD), Rob Morehouse (MN TF2), Peter Knaeble (MN TF1), Shaun White (MN TF1), Erik Jonassen (MN TF2), Andy Golz (MN TF2), Patrick Enelmann (MART), Tate Mills (SFMD), Amanda Swenson (SFMD), Tom Popsun (Century College), Steve Shapira (Century College), Chip Lohmiller, Jeremy Dostal, Craig Latch, Tyler Lupkes (MN TF1), Mark Erickson, Michael Aspnes (MART), Natascha Huspek (MBFTE), Taylor Schenk (DNR), Scott Cariveau, Sean Olson, Dan Krier (SFM)

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Call to order at 10:01 a.m. – Chair Ed Hoffman

- Agenda
 - Mark Windschitl motioned to approve the agenda with addition, Scott Vadnais second the motion, motion approved to accept the agenda with addition by roll call
- Minutes approval from August 7, 2024
 - Kip LaMotte motioned to approve the Minutes from August 7, 2024, Mark Windschitl second the motion, motion approved to accept the minutes as written by roll call

New Business

- FSA and Firework balance – SFM Dan Krier
 - Balance \$8.335 million
- FSAC Funding Agreement – SFM Dan Krier
 - Will look like a grant agreement, although awards are not grants
 - Award recipients will receive agreement and will explain conditions and terms
 - Paid upon reimbursement, all State purchasing and procurement policies must be followed
 - Commissioner's Office will execute this agreement
- One-Time presentation- Century College—Tom Popsun and Mark Nelson
 - Requests \$100,000 for class development and class delivery
 - Discussion on whether or not project has gone before MBFTE Board, or if it should
 - Ensure content and curriculum will be available statewide and is not proprietary to Century College
- 2025 Calendar proposal
 - Dates 1/8, 3/5, 6/4, 8/6, 9/3
 - Motion to approve 2025 calendar by Vadnais, second by LaMotte
 - Motion carried

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Public Comment

- No Comment

Old Business

- 1-Time funding
 - SFMD request \$680,000 for FY25
 - Motion to award SFMD \$680,000 by Scott Vadnais, second by Kip LaMotte
 - Motion carried
 - MBFTE request \$3,000,000 for FY25
 - Motion to award MBFTE \$3 million by Vadnais, second Windschitl
 - Motion carried
 - DNR & MBFTE request \$295,580 for FY25-26
 - Motion to award \$295,580 to MBFTE earmarked for DNR Leadership program by Cunningham, second Johnson
 - Motion carried
 - Task Force 1 request \$1,800,000 for FY25-26
 - Motion to award TF1 \$1,800,000 by Vadnais, second Windschitl
 - Motion carried
 - Task Force 2 request \$1,078,316 for FY25-26
 - Motion to award TF2 \$1,078,316 by Windschitl, second McCoy
 - Motion carried
 - MNIAAI request \$49,000 for FY25-26
 - Motion to award MNIAAI \$49,000 by Cocking, second Windschitl
 - Discussion on how to get training out efficiently
 - Question on whether this training should go through MBFTE
 - MBFTE can only reimburse to fire departments
 - Motion to award \$49,000 straight to MNIAAI for FY25-26 by McCoy, second Vadnais
 - Motion Carried
 - Century College request \$100,000
 - Discussion on whether FSAC is where funds should come from, or MBFTE
 - Need for more than 100 departments to have training available

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- Motion to award \$250,000 for FY25-26 for development and delivery of training through MBFTE by Cocking, second Vadnais
 - Motion carried

Adjourn Meeting

- Motion to adjourn meeting by Aaron Cocking, second by Pete Johnson
 - Meeting adjourned 11:36am