

TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION

Presiding Officer, Chris Connealy, at 10:00 a.m. called the April 12, 2012 meeting of the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to order at 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Room 1-104, Austin, Texas.

Attending	Les Bunte* Carl Giles Arthur Pertile, III**	Elroy Carson** John Gillette Leonardo Perez	Chris Connealy Jody Gonzalez Steve Tull	Tony Cortes John Green	Yusuf Farran John McMakin
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*absent entire meeting
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Staff	Don Wilson Paul Maldonado	Deborah Cowan Jim Crowson, Assistant Attorney General	Tim Rutland	Mike Baker
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Guests	Cary Roccaforte Scott Kerwood David Brannon Melissa Wurzer Frank Bengochea	Pablo Ruiz Pat Ekiss Ken Dozier Betty Wilkes	Wendell Burton Bobby Copeland Roy McCleary Jim Reidy	Mike Hunt Jason Collier Thayer Smith Dallas Reed	Cameron Kraener Larry Marcum Randy Safer Jimmy Mullis John Carlton	Robert Fite Jimmy Mullis
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| 1. Roll call | Secretary, John Gillette called roll and a quorum was present. |
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| 2. Adoption of Minutes | A motion to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2012 commission meeting minutes was made by Steve Tull and seconded by Leonardo Perez. The motion carried. |
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| 3. Budget and Strategic Plan Subcommittee Meeting | The subcommittees met together to review the agency's current budget and performance measures. |
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| 4. Subcommittee Reports | After discussion the commission scheduled a Strategic Plan workshop for May 11, 2012. |
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| 5. Reports from Fire Service Interest Groups | Brief reports were given by the Texas Fire Chief's Association, Texas State Association of Fire Fighters, Texas Forest Service, National Fire Protection Association and State Association of Fire and Emergency Districts (Safe-D). |
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| 6. Report from Fire Service School Advisory Board & TEEEX | No report given. |
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| 7. Appointment of Representative to the Fire Service School Advisory Board | A motion was made by Tony Cortes and seconded by Arthur Pertile, III to appoint Robert Fite, Fire Chief of the Georgetown Fire Department as the new commission representative to the Fire Service School Advisory Board. |
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| 8. New Matters | Nothing |
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| 9. Future meeting dates | The commission scheduled its next meeting July 11, 2012, beginning at 10:00 a.m. |
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10. Recognition of Hutto Fire & Rescue Presiding Officer, Chris Connealy and Executive Director, Don Wilson presented the Hutto Fire & Rescue a plaque in regards to Safety in the Fire Service, 16-Life Safety Initiatives-Everyone Goes Home Program.

11. Matters from Fire Fighter Advisory Committee
- A. 1. A motion to approve for final adoption the proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 421, §421.9 as discussed was made by Arthur Pertile, III and seconded by Carl Giles. The motion carried.
2. A motion to approve for final adoption the proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 435, §435.1 as discussed was made by Leonardo Perez and seconded by John Gillette. The motion carried.
- B. 1. A motion to approve for publication the proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 427, §427.305 as discussed was made by Elroy Carson and seconded by John McMakin. The motion carried.
2. A motion to approve for publication the proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 431, §431.9 as discussed was made by Jody Gonzalez and seconded by John Gillette. The motion carried.
3. A motion to propose for publication the proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 437, §437.15 as discussed was made by Carl Giles and seconded by John McMakin. The motion carried.
4. A motion to propose for publication the proposed amendments to 37 TAC, Chapter 439, §439.1 and §439.11 as discussed was made by Steve Tull and seconded by John Green. The motion carried.
5. A motion to propose for publication new 37 TAC, Chapter 455, Minimum Standards for Wildland Fire Protection Certification, §§455.1, 455.3, 455.5, and 455.7 with changes as discussed was made by Leonardo Perez and seconded by Carl Giles. The motion carried.
6. A motion to propose for publication new 37 TAC, Chapter 457, Minimum Standards for Incident Safety Officer, §§457.1, 457.3, and 457.5 as discussed was made by Yusuf Farran and seconded by Leonardo Perez. The motion carried.
- C. A motion to approve the recommended changes to the reference list for Basic Aircraft Rescue Fire Suppression Curriculum, the addition of "Course Phase Outlines, in Chapter 4 of the Fire Inspector Curriculum and "Course Phase Outlines" to Chapter 5 of the Fire Investigator Curriculum was made by Leonardo Perez and seconded by Carl Giles. The motion carried.

12. 37 TAC, Chapter 449 After discussion, no action necessary.

13. Fire Fighter Injury Report Data After discussion, no action necessary.

14. Matters from Executive Director
- a. Mr. Wilson informed commissioners there was only one contested case or consent order since the last commission meeting. No action necessary.
 - b. Mr. Wilson provided the commissioners information regarding division functions since the last commission meeting in January.
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15. Executive session
- Presiding Officer, Chris Connealy did not call for the Executive Session.
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16. Open session
- No action necessary.
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17. Adjournment
- A motion to adjourn was made by John McMakin and seconded by Elroy Carson. The motion carried.

Chris Connealy, Presiding Officer