Minutes of the TIESB meeting held at the TEEX/ESTI Facility on Friday, April 13, 2018

These minutes were recorded and prepared by David Atkinson, in substitute for the vacant Secretary position.

I. The meeting was called to Order by Keith Russell, at 1315.

II. Roll-Call

Present: Keith Russell, Robert Moore, Brett Steed, John Hollaway, David Atkinson, Paul Hanneman, Steve Pepper, Kevin Bryant, Gordon Lohmeyer, Mark Turvey, Jeff Hoffstadt, Chuck Richardson, Kevin Creamer

Absent: Pete Greco, Todd Johnson, David Cave, Mark Garvin

III. Approval of Minutes

Members reviewed the minutes from the October 2017 meeting. Motion was made by P. Hanneman to approve the minutes as written and Steve Pepper 2nd the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

IV. Action Item Review

The board reviewed all the existing action items, Kevin Creamer will make the appropriate changes and present those changes to the board at the June 2018 meeting.

A. October 2014 – Nothing to report

B. January 2015 – Closed and re-opened as an action item for April 2018

C. June 2015 – Still in progress

D. January 2017 – Line item one is complete and line item two is still in progress

E. June 2017 – Line items one and four were completed and items two and three are still in progress.

F. October 2017 – Completed

V. Communications

A. Committee Reports

1. Area 1 did not have any YTSs to review

2. Area 2 received 13 YTSs, 10 were approved and 3 returned for discrepancies

3. Area 3 received 4 YTSs, 2 were approved and 2 returned for discrepancies

4. Area 4 received 2 YTSs, 1 was approved and 1 returned for discrepancies

5. Codes, Standards, and Legislation: Chief Moore made a recommendation to appoint Gordon Lohmeyer to chair this committee. It was discussed by the board and Mr. Lohmeyer was appointed chair.

   Updates were provided on upcoming changes to multiple NFPA standards (1006, 1081 & 1072)

6. Membership: It was reported we have 5 open slots on the board due to retirements.

7. TEEX Advisory Board: Next meeting is scheduled for May 2018, the registration numbers are up from 2017, and new EMS/EMR course to replace old ECA course.
8. TCC: Reviewed information presented at the January 2018 meeting and discussed the importance of having information to take back to the TCC from the TIESB.

9. EMS: Discussed the need to update the current SFFMA EMS inventory list to meet current standards, increased number of clinical hours required for EMT/Paramedics and the OSHA rules pertaining to the administering of O₂ to patients and the classification.

10. Industrial Certification: Entering the final stages of the certification process.

11. Texas A&M Forest Service and State Incident Management Team: Reporting to be prepared for a bad wild fire season because of current weather patterns.

12. Organizational Membership: Region 4 has one less company reporting.


B. Executive Directors Report: Updates were provided on the Individual Membership benefits and the Fire Chief Academy. The new database has most of the current membership moved over to the new system. The SFFMA conference is still on for June, in Arlington. David Wade discussed the LODD program and donations along with the ability for corporations to be sponsors for the conference.

C. David Wade led a discussion about offering an industrial tract for the SFFMA conference in 2019.

VI. New Business

Need information here concerning the membership changes and re-appointments

VII. Announcements

A. Mark Turvey led the Review/Revision of Board Procedures 001 & 002. The Board will review procedures 002 & 003 at the next scheduled meeting.

Mark Turvey also led a discussion on the lobbyist updates.

B. Next Meeting – June 22 at the Sheraton, in Arlington.

C. October Meeting will be moved to Monday, October 8th to coincide with the NETFS held at the Eastman Chemical Facility, in Longview. David Atkinson will reserve a block of rooms at the Holiday Inn Express, close to the facility.

VIII. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Mark Turvey and 2nd by John Hollaway. Motion was unanimously carried.