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NORTH CAROLINA FIRE MARSHAL'S ASSOCIATION

"Dedicated to the Saving of Life and Property through Fire Prevention"

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Quarterly Meeting In Person & Remote Attendance August 6, 2025

Board Minutes

Attendance:

Tim Henshaw
Wesley Graham
Charles Eldridge
Travis Johnson
Justin McLaurin
Tony Smart
Eric Wiseman
Tom Bender
Brittany Lingle
Charlie Johnson
Thomas Raper
Brian Kelly
Buddy Thompson
Bobby Carmon
Steven Craig

Board Meeting called to order @ 0845

Invocation- Tom Bender

Daily update of order of operations for today- we have 2 guest speakers

Scholarship recipients announced- Tim Henshaw

Benjamin cook (Central)

Jodyn Hedrick (West)

Joel Overman (East)

Motion to send the letter for scholarships with checks- send letter to those who didn't get it

Second

Amended- obtain cashier's check and send to recipients. –

Motion

Second

Note- those recipients will be invited to the institute supper for an award recognition.

Motion Passed

****break**** NCSFA introductions

Chief Mechanical introductions

Corporate membership??

What does that look like?

Those people have interest in supporting the association

Old Business:

- ICC conference Oct 19-22- Who's going? (find out the cost)
 - Explore costs (Tim Henshaw) and call a special board meeting to decide if the cost is too much-
 - Motion
 - Second
 - Motion passed
- Trailer update
- Travel Policy
- P-Card policy
- Electronic Business Cards

Random Support for committees/seats- with no active participation in the association, we are not interested in sending letters of support.

Need to have all the ends/outs of the trailer worked out- Justin McLaurin is going to work on getting the information on insurance costs, etc.

Chief Taylor- No state budget

- Legislative- things coming but cannot have a stance.
- Not trying to move any departments out from under OSFM
- Legislators are playing games with the building/residential code council- want to push the code out to 2031.
- ISO partnering with reporting software- affecting ratings and in turn insurance premiums
- New training facility to open with ribbon cutting ceremony in Oct, 2025.
- NERIS- all issues- upcoming implementation Jan 2026

DOI- Cory Mercer- new Chief

Jeff Tracey- disappointed with an updates-

- Letter to be sent??
- Motion to send the letter- copy governors office and Q board chair- Tony Smart
- Second
- Amendment- Sending via email- read over lunch- vote before general meeting.

IFMA Update- Brian Kelly

- Charging Batteries- NFPA (Talking points released by Kelly)
- Single exit stairway- really push this.

Thomas not rerunning in Dec 2026- get more people involved.

Elections upcoming.

Institute- update

- Some attending the whole conference
- Some attending just the meal.

Letter to Jeff Tracy

- All those in favor- motion passed
- One- no go- to delay the letter

CFI Rep position up for grabs- Buddy Thompson-(send to Freddy Johnson)

- Motion for reappointment
- Backup will be Stephen craig.
- Second
- Motion passed.



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ICC class upcoming in Washington

Motion to adjourn @ 1209

Second

Motion passed.