



**Fire Marshal's Advisory Board Conference Call
SD Department of Public Safety
Sutherland Building
Second Floor Conference Room
Pierre, SD
Tuesday – January 5, 2016
9:00 AM CST**

Board members present on call: Richard Broderick, Rick Gustad, Jim Strain

Board members absent: Jerry Diamond, Mike Harstad

Department of Public Safety Staff Present: Glenda Marks, Doug Hinkle, Paul Merriman.

Call to Order & Roll Call:

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM CST by Paul Merriman, roll call taken and a quorum were present.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes from November 10, 2015 FMAB Meeting

Moved by: Rick Gustad

Seconded: Jim Strain

Discussion: None

Minutes approved unanimously.

Fire Marshal's Office Updates

Fire Marshal staff discussed the upcoming legislative session and key dates on the legislative calendar.

Doug Hinkle and Paul Merriman briefed board members on legislation proposed by the agency to update current fire prevention codes and standards. The group was not aware of any other proposed legislation at this time impacting the fire service in SD.

Doug Hinkle and Paul Merriman also discussed the upcoming SD Joint Council of Fire Service Organizations Meeting, SD Society of Fire Instructors Board Meeting, and SD Society of Fire Instructors Conference.

Paul Merriman informed the group that the Fire Marshal's Office and the Department of Public Safety would be working on a new set of initiatives and priorities for 2016. Rich Broderick offered assistance in helping to support those initiatives as needed and the board approved.

NFPA Fire Sprinkler Initiative

Board member Rich Broderick discussed the first meeting of the SD Fire Sprinkler Coalition. The program will be used to share information, discuss fire protection and life safety issues, and to raise

awareness of the importance of fire sprinkler protection. Members of the group will have a booth in the Capitol Rotunda Wednesday, January 13.

Fire District Mapping

Board member Jim Strain updated the group on progress related to the project, and the advantages of having this information available. The Division of Wildland Fire has started the process of mapping fire districts through ArcGIS. Fire Marshal staff offered their assistance in development, and hosting this information for reference.

Next Meeting Date

A conference call has been scheduled for February 9. The purpose of the call will be to discuss and focus on any legislative updates or matters concerning the fire service. The next meeting of the Fire Marshal's Advisory Board will be scheduled sometime in April. Date, location, and time will be announced.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:40 AM.