

# SOUTH CAROLINA FIREFIGHTER MOBILIZATION

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## MINUTES

Firefighter Mobilization Committee Meeting

Wednesday September 19, 2012

I. Call to Order and Welcome – The meeting began at 10:05 a.m. in the conference room of the State Fire Marshal’s Office. Chief Alvin Payne moved and seconded by Chief Tommy McDowell to approve the meeting agenda, motion carried.

II. Members present

SC Firefighter Mobilization Committee											
Shane Ray	X	Darryl Jones		Joe Palmer	X	Bruce Kline	*	Alvin Payne	X	Wendell Wilburn	
George McKinney	X	Mike Bendebaugh	X	Phill Jolley	*	Tommy McDowell	X	Karl Ristow		Eric Thompson	X

\*Was on conference call for the meeting duration.

III. Reading of the minutes of last meeting – Chief Payne moved to accept the minutes from the last meeting, seconded by George McKinney. Motion carried.

IV. George McKinney moved to appoint David “Eric” Thompson as the State Coordinator for FFMOB and seconded by Chief McDowell. Motion carried.

V. Old Business

- Update on appointments –All committee members, except Mike Bendebaugh, have been reappointed by Gov. Haley. The document to complete Chief Bendebaugh’s reappointment has been forwarded for consideration.
- Strategic Plan and Budget for SCERTF
  - Action – Chief Payne moved that the committee provide funding for the US&R team by asking the legislative body to take action by changing (increasing) the current .35 to .50 funding with an additional \$250,000 for WMD/regional teams. Motion seconded by Chief McDowell. Motion carried.
  - There was no action taken on the Strategic Plan.
  - US&R team typing base on funding level – Dan McManus provided a brief overview of the different types of teams. It was requested that McManus prepare a statewide report on team limitations and capabilities for the next meeting.
- Committee review of the Mobilization Plan – No Action Taken

VI. New Business

- FFMOB Regional Coordinator’s meeting – Eric Thompson provided an overview of his meeting with the regional coordinator which included, identifying county level coordinators and regional resources, creating mission ready packages, identifying non-registering departments, conducting exercises to test the program, and marketing the program. The next meeting is Oct. 17, 2012 at 1430hrs at the State Fire Marshal’s Office.

- VII. Open Discussion – McManus stated that he has submitted to Chief Ray a draft of the current status of the strategic plan, as requested by Chief Kline. It should be available soon. Discussion on the request of funding and our need to balance, risk assessment, threat assessments, with capability assessments. The present environment is something we need to remember institutional knowledge and current reality. Chief McDowell gave us a valuable history on the formation of the SCERTF and how local governments contributed to make the teams to the level they are today, Chief Payne gave examples.
- VIII. Next Meeting Date – October 16, 2012 at 1000hrs at the State Fire Marshal Office.
- IX. Adjourn – Chief Payne moved that the meeting adjourn at 1315hrs and seconded by Chief McDowell. Motion carried.