

Certification Board Meeting

March 8, 2016

Rowan Cabarrus Community College 1:30 p.m.

- Meeting called to order by Chairman Gordon
- Amended the meeting agenda to move the DA requests to the beginning
- Jimmy Hensley opened in prayer
- Mike Edwards announced that Gates County Rescue Squad suffered a possible LODD just prior to the meeting
- Previous minutes were approved
- Kannapolis FD was proposed as a DA – approved
- North Lenoir VFD was proposed as a DA – approved
- Rick McIntyre gave the OSFM report
 - TIMS requirement was approved for FF, TR, DO
 - Recapped the commission report
 - Required to report any DC issues
 - Issued 3 letters of caution and warning
 - Started a spreadsheet for discipline actions –
 - when issued
 - when expired
 - Pitt CC – February
 - Gave out an example of changes to practical skills to show new format
 - Gave summary of new process for alerting instructors
 - Questions to Rick
 - Letter of warning to instructor who wasn't qualified dealing with Pitt CC
 - Mike Edwards was asked to give a synopsis
 - Question of why companies are allowed to do business as an instructor
 - Mitchell CC was told they couldn't use them
 - OSFM was unaware ahead of time this was happening
 - Raised question to the floor on whether schools should allow or not
 - Kenny Weatherington suggested to make sure terms are defined clearly
- Terry Foxx gave DC report
- Terry Foxx gave rules committee report
 - Q School "no show" policy – about 25% of registrations are no showing – recommend 6 month suspension –
 - Mobile Water Supply added sections – rollover and Tiered response
 - Appoint ad hoc committees for FLSE, RIC in July
 - Ken Hogue took over as the chairman of RC and Jimmy Hensley was added to the vacated spot left from Kevin Gordon
- Ken Hogue gave an update on Machine Rescue
- Ken Hogue gave an update on Non-traditional delivery – pilot for Fire Officer 1
 - June 1 – pilot for FO1 at Forsyth CC

- July 1 – pilot for FO2
 - FF, TR were taken off for consideration for online delivery
- Ben Smith gave an update on FIT – committee met to discuss changes from first pilot
 - Missed an audience by not allowing BLET or Certified FF or credentialed private investigator or special investigation units that are not PIs but have a vested interest can present a certificate of employment
 - 2nd pilot at Gaston CC
 - Need an FIP number
- Cert Board Policies change presented by Kevin Gordon stemming from FTCC investigation – moratorium on Letters of Warning and Caution – bring recommendation to Commission in April – get copy of letter – OSFM staff will bring all complaints to the Certification Board until further notice – OSFM will only present items prior to 30 days before board meeting – Rick McIntyre has the copy for the minutes
- Next meeting will be June 7th at 1330 – rules committee meeting will be at 9:30 prior to cert board
- Chairman would like for cert board members to attend the April 12 meeting at PSFD
- Chairman adjourned

Submitted by Michael Caviness