



STATE FIRE MARSHAL  
Automatic Extinguishing Systems Advisory Committee  
October 28, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Office of the State Fire Marshal  
Zoom Meeting Conference Call  
Meeting ID: 957 3451 0509

MEMBERS PRESENT

Allen Quirk, CALSAFE  
Wayne Weisz, AFSA  
Chip Lindley, Lindley Fire Protection  
Jason McBroom, Alpine Fire Protection District  
Stan Smith, Local 483  
Jamie Knowles, Amerex  
Jose Colin, Woodland Fire Department  
Jason Hudgins, Walschon Fire Protection  
Darrell Hefley, CALSAFE (alternate)  
Jeff Awtrey, California American Fire Sprinkler Association (CAFSA)  
Edie Wade, Brooks Equipment  
Randy Roxson, Sprinkler Fitters Association of California  
Randy Dysart, CALSAFE (alternate)  
Peter Hulin, NFSA (alternate)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Bryan Jonson, West Sacramento Fire Department  
Jack Thacker, Allan Automatic Sprinkler Corporation  
Bruce Lecair, NFSA  
James Feld, University of California, Berkeley (retired)

OSFM STAFF

Al Adams, Committee Chairperson, OSFM  
Kemiko Tolon, Program Coordinator, OSFM  
Vickie Sakamoto, Supervising Deputy State Fire Marshal, OSFM  
Brice Bennett, Deputy State Fire Marshal, OSFM  
Mike Goth, Deputy State Fire Marshal, OSFM

Elena Rich, Staff Services Analyst, OSFM  
Kevin Chan, Special Assistant to the State Fire Marshal, OSFM

### PUBLIC GUESTS

Shelly Merrill, Integrated Fire & Safety  
James Carver, El Segundo Fire Department  
Vahe Zohrabian, Hydraulic Fire Protection

#### 1. Call to Order

##### A. Welcome

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Al Adams, at 9:33 a.m. PDT on October 28, 2020.

##### B. Roll Call/Determine Quorum

Roll call was conducted by Elena Rich and Chairperson Adams determined that a quorum of members was established at 9:41 a.m.

##### C. Introductions

All attendees introduced themselves.

##### D. Approval of Minutes

Chairperson Al Adams asked for approval of the Minutes of the June 3, 2020 meeting. Member Wayne Weisz motioned to correct the spelling of his last name Weisz. It was moved by Member Edie Wade to approve the minutes; motion seconded by Member Allen Quirk. Motion was carried unanimously with amendments.

##### E. Announcements

Chairperson Al Adams announced that the Governor appointed Chief Wendy Collins as the Assistant State Fire Marshal.

Chairperson Al Adams announced and introduced Vickie Sakamoto as the new Deputy State Fire Marshal Supervisor in the Fire Engineering and Investigations Division. She retired from the Office of the State Fire Marshal and has many years of experience and knowledge. She was a former Division Chief in Fire Engineering and the Fire and Life Safety Divisions.

Chief Vickie Sakamoto stated she is happy to be back at the State Fire Marshal's Office. She oversees the fire extinguisher, automatic extinguishing systems, flame retardant, fireworks, and the motion picture programs. She was happy to announce the on-line payment for the Govmotus program will be available January 2021. Jeff Awtrey and Stan Smith offered to help test the on-line payment.

#### 2. OLD BUSINESS

##### A. AES Form Update

Guest Shelly Merrill has been working on the forms to be 508 compliant, and format for digital devices.

B. Title 19, Chapter 5.5 Clean-Up

Member Chip Lindley went over all the cleanup language in Chapter 5.5. He mentioned all the changes were submitted and finalized but since there were so many changes this should go back to the committee to review and be put on the agenda for the next meeting. It was moved by Member Chip Lindley to send a copy of Title 19, Chapter 5.5 update to the committee members and put this discussion on the agenda for the next meeting; motioned seconded by Member Jason McBroom. Motion was carried unanimously.

C. CEU Update

OSFM Staff Kemiko Tolon mentioned there are 16 approved CEU providers on the website.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. AES License Fee Overview

Chairperson Al Adams mentioned that our office has been working with Department of Finance on mission base budgeting. Due to budget shortfall, our office will be increasing the AES licensing fees to cover the cost of doing business. We are currently working on a fee increase regulation package.

4. OPEN FORUM

None

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Guest from Chula Vista Fernando Felix mentioned the AES Form 1 should be a combined form.

6. SCHEDULE FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The next committee meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2021 via Zoom.

7. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Member Allen Quirk and second by Member Edie Wade. Chairperson Al Adams adjourned the meeting at 11:41a.m. PDT.