

**Ontario Fire Service Advisory Committee
Section 21 Committee
MINUTES
June 13-14, 2019**

Meeting held at 505 University Ave, Toronto, ON M5G-1X3
Commencing at noon on June 13, 2019

Present:

Rob Grimwood	O AFC - Committee Co-Chair
Mike Vilneff	O AFC
John Hay	O AFC – June 14, 2019
John Mavrinc	OPFFA - Committee Co-Chair
Dan Worrall	OPFFA
Vic Dillabaugh	OPFFA
Doug Kellam	FFAO
Cathy Hoffman	AMO
Mark Pankhurst	AMO – June 13, 2019
Juanita Martin	MOL
Timothy Metcalfe	Public Services Health & Safety Association (Facilitator)

Regrets:

Jeff Attwell	OFMEM – Observer
Richard Renaud	O AFC
John Hay	O AFC – June 13, 2019
Geoff Boisseau	OPFFA
Jeri Ottley	FFAO
Mark Pankhurst	AMO – June 14, 2019

1. Review of Minutes

Minutes from the March 21-22, 2019 meeting were reviewed by committee and accepted.
Action: Will be posted on O AFC website.

2. Public Service Health and Safety Association-Update

Henrietta Van Hulle and Tim Metcalfe, addressed the committee.
They spoke about the many programs and initiatives that the association is working on.
A copy of the update has been added to the minutes, appendix A.

Henrietta provided WSIB statistics of injury rates within the Ontario Fire Service.

Action: Henrietta and Tim will prepare a report of LTI's for the Ontario Fire Service which will be presented to the committee at the September meeting.

3. MOL / Health and Safety Association Pilot Program Update

Henrietta Van Hulle, Tim and Juanita spoke about the procedural changes to the committee which have been piloted over the last two years. Results of the online evaluation of the pilot program were presented to the committee.

An amended Terms of Reference was distributed to the committee members for review and comment.

Action: Cathy will provide her final review of the Terms of Reference to Juanita who will then provide to the minister for approval.

4. GN Update from MOL Process

Juanita reviewed the progress of GN's through the MOL approval process.

GN's which have received final approval and will be posted on Ontario.ca:

GN 2-3 Radio Communications

GN 7-6 Training Centres

GN 6-42 Artificial Smoke

GN's which are with MOL Legal Department:

5-1 Accountability and Entry Control

6-3 Water and Ice Rescue

6-26 Fire Streams and Ventilation

6-X SCBA Air Management

6-X Hoarding

6-X Pre-incident Planning.

Juanita reported that all new GN's which were assigned to section 6 will remain and receive their numbering.

5. GN 7-1 Training Sessions

The committee edited this GN during the months between meetings. It was sent out for comment but at the time of the meeting, had not been posted for six weeks.

Action: Tim will provide the co-chairs with comments received at the conclusion of the six week comment period. Further action will be determined at that time.

6. GN 7-3 Documentation of Training /Daily Training Reports

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Action: Tim will provide the co-chairs with comments received at the conclusion of the six week comment period. Further action will be determined at that time.

7. GN 2-2 The Buddy System

Review by the committee was completed. The committee decided to change the name of the GN to Crew Integrity.

Action: Tim to send to OAFB for web consultation.

8. Cancer Prevention Checklist

The committee worked collaboratively to identify best practices for cancer prevention, including decontamination during the various stages of fire ground operations.

Action: Juanita will consolidate the ideas of the committee members. Continued development at the September meeting.

9. GN 6-34 Solar Photovoltaic Systems

Doug brought forward a concern raised by an OFC Trainer. He felt that the GN 6-34 should explain the use of Non-contact High Voltage Detectors “Hot Sticks” and highlight their limitations.

Action: The committee felt that these should not be used by the fire service. No changes to GN 6-34 were made.

Meeting concluded June 14, 2019 @ 12:00 hrs.

Next Meeting Date:

September 12, 2019

December 12, 2019