



Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel
 July 18, 2022
 Naples, FL

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:

NAME	REPRESENTING	TERM ENDING
Carlos Aviles St. Augustine Fire	FL Fire Chiefs' Association	June 30, 2026 (2nd term)
Mike Bellamy Tallahassee Fire	State Fire Marshal	June 30, 2026 (2nd term)
Brad Bischoff Bradenton Fire Department	FL Professional FF Assoc.	Jan. 31, 2023 (1 st term)
Aaron Colburn Reedy Creek Emergency Svs.	FL Professional FF Assoc.	Jan. 31, 2023 (1 st term)
Thomas DiBernardo Florida Department of Health	Bureau of EMS	Jan. 31, 2023 (1 st term)
Darrel Donatto Town of Palm Beach Fire	Florida League of Cities	Jan. 31, 2023 (1 st term)
Ralph Franklin Okeechobee County Fire	FL Association of Counties	June 30, 2026 (2 nd term)
Shawn Hanson Greater Naples Fire Rescue	Florida Fire Marshals Association	Oct. 31, 2026 (2nd term)
Terry Parris Panama City Beach F/R	State Fire Marshal	Jan. 1, 2023 (1 st term)
Kevin Reed Hillsborough CC	State Fire Marshal	Oct. 31, 2026 (2 nd term)
Michael Woodward Oviedo Fire Department	FL Fire Chiefs' Association	June 30, 2026 (1 st term)

ABSENT:

Kasie Crowe Division of Forestry	Florida Forest Service	Jan.31, 2023 (2 nd term)
Dr. David Lee Sylvester Comprehensive	State Fire Marshal	June 30, 2026 (2nd term)
Jim Millican Lealman Fire District	Florida Association of Sp. Districts	Oct. 31, 2026 (2nd term)
Randy Touchton	State Fire Marshal	June 30, 2026 (2 nd term)

The Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel meeting was called to order.

On a motion duly made, the minutes from the Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel held on April 21, 2022, were approved.

Motion carried.

REPORT FROM DIVISION: *given by Julius Halas, Director and JoAnne Rice, AD*

- Firefighter Memorial
 - The Joint Council met on Friday and have approved 16 names for the 2022 Florida Fallen Firefighter Memorial
 - Sadly, the injured firefighter from Apopka Fire Department, Austin Duran, has succumbed to his injuries. He will be eligible for the 2023 Memorial.
- Budget
 - July 1 begins the new fiscal year
 - Additional 2 million awarded to the Firefighter Cancer Initiative
 - Additional 500,000 Advanced Decon Grants
 - 1 million for the Volunteer Firefighter Grant
 - Additional 10 million for US&R (working with DEM)
 - 250,000 for FCDICE feasibility study (scope of work)
 - 380,000 Outward Facing Dashboard along with Tableau (working with Department of Health)
- 2021 Florida Fires/Annual Report is out and available on-line
- Wayne Watts (FFIRS) has retired. His position has been advertised and is open until July 20

REPORT FROM FFIRS: *given by Melissa Dembicer, JoAnne Rice, Assistant Director*

- Melissa Dembicer thanked the FFIRS team for all of their hard work in getting the Annual Report out early this year.
 - Daphne Burke
 - Joanna Smyth
 - Sean Reynolds
- Request for workgroup – open to the public for FFIRS and FCDICE
 - Input on what people would like to see in the 2022 Annual Report (data reporting) as well as a new FCDICE system

Tom DiBernardo – the national data set has now also gone to Tableau

On a motion duly made, the Council recommends that the State Fire Marshal's office moves forward the workgroups/workshops.

Motion carried.

- FFMIA – discussion on Arson and Arson investigators entering information into NFIRS. FFMIA taking initiative to move forward

- Biospatial – looking to work with - will still have to go out to bid for external safety system
- Melissa Dembicer will no longer be “acting” program manager to FFIRS. The new “acting” manager will be Jake Twogood until the position can be filled
- Sean Reynolds will be overseeing IT issues (FFIRS/FCDICE)

REPORT FROM EMS: *Tom DiBernardo, Florida Department of Health (handout provided)*

- Biospatial continues to grow very well
 - All historical records from old vendor are in
 - Back to 47 million records
 - Trying to lead users to use standard sets of data (data quality and risk reduction)
 - Tom DiBernardo has been moved over to “Data Quality”
 - New Software (3.5) comes out in January – would like to start off with a “nice clean data set”
 - Working on tracking demographics/employment

OLD BUSINESS:

- Update on “undetermined fire cause”
 - DIFS does NOT currently report through NFIRS, they report back to locals
 - USFA agrees – there is a need to follow through on fire causes in reporting

Congratulations to new members Brad Bischoff and Aaron Colburn on their first “in person” meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: None

Chairman Shawn Hanson thanked Director Halas for his service

AUDIENCE: Discussion was held on new FCDICE system

NEXT MEETING: **Thursday, Nov. 17, 2022, Florida State Fire College**

ADJOURN.

Audio File available upon request.