

Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel  
April 13, 2010  
Tallahassee, FL/Conference Call

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:**

**REPRESENTING:**

**NAME**

James Angle, Palm Harbor Special Fire Control Dist.	FL Association of Special Districts
Mike Coker, Division of Forestry	Division of Forestry
Julie Downey, Davie Fire Rescue	State Fire Marshal
Ron Parrish, St. Lucie County Fire District	FL Fire Chiefs' Association
Gene Prince, City of Gainesville Fire Rescue	FL fire Chiefs' Association
Jon Pasqualone, FL Fire Marshals & Inspectors Assoc.	FL Fire Marshals & Inspectors Assoc.
Laurie Sweeney, Orange County Fire-Rescue Dept.	FL Professional Firefighters
Charles "Scotty" Taylor Jr., Gainesville Fire Rescue	FL Professional Firefighters
Ron Williams, Lake County Vo-Tech	State Fire Marshal

**ABSENT:**

Greg Gay	State Fire Marshal
Steve McCoy, Bureau of EMS	Bureau of EMS
Joe Palminteri, Citrus County Fire Rescue	State Fire Marshal

On a motion duly made, the minutes from the Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel held on January 21, 2010 were approved.

Motion carried.

**REPORT FROM DIVISION:** *Tabled until Firefighters Employment, Standards and Training Council meeting.*

**REPORT FROM FFIRS:** *Given by Keith McCarthy*

(Hand out)

The FFIRS section is currently in the process of wrapping up 2009 reporting. The deadline for all fire departments for submitting data to FFIRS is April 30, 2010. The deadline for data to be included in the national fire incident reporting is July 1, 2010.

#### NFIRS Status Update:

Keith McCarthy had the opportunity to attend the National Fire Information Council Training Workshop. The focus of the workshop was NFIRS quality assurance at local, state, and national levels with the theme being "Fighting Fires with Facts". The workshop topics included; upcoming enhancements, quality assurance, NFPA's use of NFIRS data and research.

The 2009 NFIRS report shows 21,530 fire departments reporting 17.7 million incidents reports.

FFIRS data submitted for 2009 to USFA, NFIRS represent 12.5% of the incidents in the national database.

All fire department audits were completed as of March 31, 2010 for 2009 data. All departments have received a letter, audit sheet, and multiple attachments explaining where their data showed errors and where their departments data stood as of June for 2009.

Data submitted to USFA, NFIRS for 2009 had an error percentage of .14%.

91.2% of Florida fire departments are participating in the FFIRS program. This is a 4% increase.

The FFIRS section has still been unsuccessful in recruiting Hillsborough County.

#### Training:

An introduction to the FFIRS program was given to Miami Beach. We have recently received a request from Miami-Dade and the City of Miami for formal training.

The FFIRS department will start working on the Annual Report on May 1, 2010. (Annual Report 2009)

Susan MacHenry, gave a presentation at the Training Workshop and reported that USFA has been working in conjunction with EMS entities to come up with some sort of reporting tool that will relieve the pressure off of the local fire departments from filling out two separate reports. That is very encouraging news.

**REPORT FROM EMS:** *None*

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**AUDIENCE:** None

**NEXT MEETING:** Friday, July 16, 2010 9:00 a.m. at Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL

**ADJOURN.**