



Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel  
November 14, 2019  
Ocala, FL

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:**

NAME	REPRESENTING	TERM ENDING
Carlos Aviles St. Augustine Fire	FL Fire Chiefs' Association	June 30, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Mike Bellamy Tallahassee Fire	State Fire Marshal	June 30, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Kasie Crowe Division of Forestry	Florida Forest Service	Jan.31, 2023 (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)
Neal de Jesus Delray Beach Fire	Florida Fire Chiefs' Association	June 30, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Thomas DiBernardo EMS	Bureau of EMS	Jan. 31, 2023 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Ralph Franklin Okeechobee County Fire	FL Association of Counties	June 30, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Shawn Hanson Greater Naples Fire Rescue	Florida Fire Marshals Association	Oct. 31, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Nick Herlihy North Port Fire Rescue	FL Professional FF Assoc.	Jan. 31, 2023 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Teresa Kinstle Jacksonville Fire Rescue	State Fire Marshal	January 31, 2023 (1st term)
Dr. David Lee Sylvester Comprehensive	State Fire Marshal	June 30, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Rob McGilloway Coral Springs Fire Academy	State Fire Marshal	Oct. 11, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Jim Millican Lealman Fire District	Florida Association Sp. Districts	Oct. 31, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Jason Schneider Winter Garden Fire Dept.	FL Professional FF Assoc.	Jan. 31, 2023 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
Randy Touchton	State Fire Marshal	June 30, 2022 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)

**ABSENT:**

Nikky Lovett Marianna Fire Rescue	Florida League of Cities	Jan. 31, 2023 (1 <sup>st</sup> term)
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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 July 12, 2019 were approved.

**Motion carried.**

#### **REPORT FROM DIVISION:**

- Thanks to the support of the FFIRS Panel and others, the \$125,000 LBR (Legislative Budget Request) was issued funding a new FFIRS data base
  - Will most likely be a multi-year process
  - A LBR was also submitted for this fiscal year for funding of a new FCDICE program
    - Director Halas gave a brief rundown on the existing FCDICE program and how we will move forward

#### **REPORT FROM FFIRS:** *Wayne Watts, FFIRS Section (handout provided)*

- The 2018 data has been finalized and 2018 Florida Fires Annual Report is nearing publication
- FFIRS training is ongoing
- DFS/SFM, making progress with the \$125,000 received through a legislative budget request for FFIRS upgrades
- A roll out of a new NFIRS reporting platform is expected in 2020

#### **REPORT FROM EMS:** *Tom DiBernardo, Bureau of EMS*

- EMS and Police records are now linked. It is currently set at a county level; but soon, an agency will be able to search by district or city
- As of last week, the Trauma Registry is also connected. Can now see trauma patient all the way from on scene, through hospital discharge
- In January, EMS will also be connected to the Stroke Registry (attached to hospital)
- Cardiac Arrest Registry is moving quickly (managed by EMS), already in 65 EMS agencies and have touched 175 of the hospitals. By the end of 2019, should be connected to all hospitals
- State Health Initiative
  - Money has become available, helping fund the remaining 10% of agencies that are submitting EMS data and they receive funds (\$5,000) to upgrade or start submitting data
  - These funds have also stretched into paramedic programs and for equipment
  - Goal is to give the critical access hospitals state and federal money to keep them funded

- Vaccines
  - As per the State Surgeon General, we are operating under a State of Emergency
    - 3,600 reported Hep A cases, which has affected some of the fire service
    - South Florida has already put Hep A into their baseline, which is optional by law, but recommended
    - Contact the Bureau of EMS for further information/assistance to be approved to administer vaccinations – this is free and is a simple agreement
    - Free vaccinations will be given to attendees of the FFCA Health and Safety Conference
- National EMS Conference will be held in Tampa, in March of 2020

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**AUDIENCE:**

**Ward Ellis, Office of Information Technology**  
**Kimberly Jenkins, Office of Information Technology (Project Manager)**

Working on the FFIRS project with the State Fire Marshal's office and looking at different options. They will provide a timeline and cost by beginning of December. They are committed to understanding what is needed and providing that.

**Chief Darrel Donatto, Florida Fire Chiefs' Association.**

Urged the Office of Information Technology to speak to Tom DiBernardo from the Bureau of EMS to gather information.

**On a motion duly made**, the FFIRS section will provide Tom DiBernardo/EMS (Biospatial) one month of FFIRS data, for a pilot demonstration, to be presented at the Fire Rescue East meeting in January. (Subject to any legal constraints)

**Motion carried.**

**NEXT MEETING: Thursday, January 23, 2020**  
**1:00 p.m.**  
**Fire Rescue East, Daytona Beach, FL**

**ADJOURN.**

*Audio File available upon request*