



**Minutes of the Meeting of the  
Fire Service Membership Council Governing Committee**

**Sunday, September 19, 2021  
9:30 a.m. EDT**

**“Founded by Members to Serve our Members . . .  
Benefitting Communities Worldwide”**

**The minutes of the FSMC Governing Committee Meeting are now available by video on YouTube. The link for this month’s meeting is: <https://youtu.be/3U9z2ZneroQ>**

<b>FSMC Governing Committee Members</b>	<b>Representing</b>	<b>Present</b>
Randy Metz -- Chair -- Carlsbad Fire Department, CA	IAFC:W	
Christine Reed – Vice Chair -- Central County Fire Department, CA	ICC	X
Bryan Adams -- Pleasant Valley Fire District, OH	ICC	X
Rick Boisvert -- Brighton Area Fire Authority, MI	IAFC:GL	X
Robert Buxton -- Hudson Fire Department, NH	IAFC:NE	
Tim Cowan -- City of Oneida Fire Department, NY (Ret.)	IAFC:E	
Michael Desrochers -- State of Vermont Division of Fire Safety	NASFM	X
Timothy Diehl -- Howard County DPW/Bureau of Facilities	ICC	X
Kara Gerczynski -- Elizabeth Fire Protection District, CO	IAFC:MV	X
William Hyde -- Rogers Fire Department, AR	IAFC:SW	X
Andy King -- Franklin Fire Department, TN	IAFC:SE	
John Lane -- Anne Arundel County Fire Department, MD	ICC	X
Kelly Nicoletto -- Underwriters Laboratories, TX	NASFM	X
Coy Porter -- Utah State Fire Marshal’s Office	NASFM	X
Steve Swarthout -- Global Fire Protection Group -- Winchester, CA	ICC	X
Mark Wassom -- Olathe Fire Department, KS	ICC	X
Gary West -- National Fire Sprinkler Association, Nashville, TN	NASFM	X
TBD -- Appointment Pending --	IAFC:C	--

<b>International Code Council (ICC) Directors, Liaisons, and Staff</b>	<b>Present</b>
Bill Bryant -- ICC Immediate Past President, FSMC Liaison to the ICC BOD -- Anne Arundel County, MD	
Jim Brown -- ICC Board of Directors -- Gillette, WY	X
Gabe Maser -- Deputy Senior Vice President, Government Relations -- ICC	X
Karl Fippinger -- Vice President, Fire & Disaster Mitigation -- ICC	X
Tim Schmitz -- Lead Senior Regional Manager., Government Relations -- ICC	X

<b>Members/Guests Joining by Teleconference</b>	<b>Present</b>
Ed Berkel, Fire Marshal -- Mehlville Fire Protection District -- St. Louis, MO	X
Robby Dawson -- Southeast Regional Director -- NFPA	X
Keith Heckler -- Training Specialist -- U.S. Fire Administration -- Emmitsburg, MD	X
Rock Meng -- Global Membership Council Liaison to FSMC -- Capitol Fire Protection Engineering	X
Shamim Rashid-Sumar -- VP, Fire Codes and Standards -- National Ready Mixed Concrete Association	X

**FSMC Governing Committee Meeting Agenda:**

- 1) Call to Order/Roll Call/Welcome guests and prospective new members (Reed/Fippinger)
- 2) Opening Remarks from the Chair (Reed for Metz)
  - a) Additions or Corrections to the Agenda
  - b) Approval of Minutes
    - i. August 19, 2021 Microsoft Teams Meeting
- 3) 2021 Work Group Updates (Reed for Metz)
  - a) Member Recruitment (King/West)
  - b) Emerging Issues and Trends (Desrochers)
  - c) Public Awareness (Reed)
  - d) Training and Education (Wassom)
- 4) Reports from Officers (Reed for Metz)
  - a) ICC Immediate Past President/FSMC Governing Committee Liaison (Bryant)
  - b) Other ICC Officers and Directors
  - c) Report from the Chair (Reed for Metz)
  - d) Report from the Vice Chair (Reed)
  - e) Staff liaison (Fippinger)
- 5) On-Going Business
- 6) New Business
  - a) Fire service involvement in the ICC code development process
    - i. Participation on national committees
    - ii. FSMC's promotion of state-wide adoptions of the WUI code
    - iii. Understanding/familiarization of codes other than Fire Code
    - iv. Code amendment proposals to FCAC
  - b) Fire service role in the aftermath of national incidents/disasters (Surfside, FL building collapse, Texas freeze)
  - c) CY 2022 Work Group Goals
    - i. Governing Committee member expectations and engagement in FSMC goals

- d) Future FSMC efforts - open for committee input
- e) Rebranding and collaboration with UL Fire Safety Research Institute
- 7) Next Meeting
  - a) Thursday, October 21, 2021 @ 1:30 p.m. ET
- 8) Questions/Comments from the Audience
- 9) Good of the Order
- 10) Adjourn

Randy Metz, Chair  
 2021 FSMC Governing Committee  
 Christine Reed, Vice-Chair  
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**2021 FSMC Meeting Schedule**

Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
21	18	25	22	20	17	15	19	19	21	18	16
Teams	Teams	Teams	Teams	Teams	Teams	Teams	Teams	Webex	Teams	Teams	Teams

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