



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** ICC Board of Directors

**FROM:** Karl Fippinger, Vice President - Fire and Disaster Mitigation

**THROUGH:** Chief Gary West, FSMC Chair  
Chief Randy Metz, FSMC Vice Chair

**DATE:** October 4, 2019

**RE:** 2019 Fire Service Membership Council Annual Report

On behalf of the ICC Fire Service Membership Council (FSMC), we respectfully submit the following summary and report of membership council activities for your review covering the period January 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019. This report amends and adds to our mid-year report submitted in June, 2019

### Highlights of our activities from June, 2019 forward include:

- Recorded and published Episode 18 of the ICC Pulse Podcast featuring Chief West, Chief Metz, and Karl Fippinger
- Recruited and secured fire service speakers for the 2019 ICC Conference
- Developed an amendment to the FSMC Charter that addresses continuity of governing committee members and offers additional flexibility for succession planning that was submitted for ICC Board of Directors for consideration at their October, 2019 meeting
- Submitted comments and recommendations to ICC-ES regarding Inflatable Spray Booth Acceptance Criteria
- In collaboration with the IAFC Fire & Life Safety Section, presented the 2019 Excellence in Fire & Life Safety Award to Dan Finnegan from Siemens Building Technologies
- Received a training and program update from National Fire Academy Superintendent, Chief Tonya Hoover
- Developed and submitted a letter to Congress regarding H.R. 1618 - *Nicholas and Zachary Burt Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention Act of 2019*
  - The FSMC advocated for broadening the bill to include provisions from the International Fire Code and the International Residential Code which will allow program eligibility for states using the I-Codes.
- In collaboration with the Building Membership Council, reviewed applications and selected the winner of the 2019 Innovation in Code Administration Award to be presented during the ICC Government Relations Forum in Las Vegas, NV
- The FSMC Nominating Committee reviewed 7 applications for 3 ICC seats on the FSMC Governing Committee and selected 3 applicants for endorsement

**Forward Looking Goals and Objectives (October, 2019 – December, 2019):**

- Conduct a strategic planning session on the future agenda and priorities of the FSMC Governing Committee at the ICC conference in Las Vegas, NV ahead on Tuesday, October 22 ahead of the full meeting of the FSMC
  - Continue to increase membership and participation in the FSMC
  - Continue to increase the relevance of the FSMC to the ICC Board of Directors and other ICC bodies
- Implement FSMC succession planning potential mid-cycle and end-of-year term vacancies on the FSMC Governing Committee including coordination with our partners at the International Association of Fire Chiefs and the National Association of State Fire Marshals.
- Promote understanding and awareness cross-cutting fire service issues and trends for consideration by the FSMC, other bodies across the ICC enterprise, and other national fire service organizations

**Future Meetings of the Fire Service Membership Council:**

- October 22-23, 2019 - Annual Business Meeting
- November 21, 2019 - Webex
- December 19, 2019 - Webex

On behalf of the ICC Fire Service Membership Council and the FSMC Governing Committee, we appreciate the opportunity to present our accomplishments and plans to the ICC Board of Directors for your review. For additional information please contact Karl Fippinger, Vice President Fire and Disaster Mitigation at [kfippinger@iccsafe.org](mailto:kfippinger@iccsafe.org) or 202.730.3946.