

Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal

MEETING MINUTES

Title: Recruiting & Retaining Public Employee Firefighter and Paramedic Task Force

Location: The Illinois Municipal League Assoc. | 500 E. Capitol Ave. | Springfield, IL. 62701

Date: May 1, 2024 Time: 11:00 am

Present:

Chief Kent Adams | Sue Czerwinski | Joseph C. Holomy | Senator Patrick Joyce | Representative Mike Kelly | Jeff Maher | Don Moffitt | Steve Shetsky | Chuck Sullivan | Robert Van Bebber | Gina Degleffetti | Chief Brenda Farlow | Senator Neil Anderson

Not Present:

Mayor Mary Alexander Basta | Jim Keiken | Representative Jackie Haas | Chief Nate Rice | Regan Stockstell | Mayor Deborah Frank Feinen

Agenda Details

- I. Meeting was called to order by Co-Chairs Senator Joyce and Representative Kelly at 11:01am.
- II. Roll Call was taken, and a quorum was established.
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. Old Business
 - i. Community Colleges
 - Task Force would need to request approximately \$5M for grants.
 - \$10,000 per student.
 - MAP grant \$2,500 towards curriculum.

V. New Business

- i. Potential Legislation
 - Items that the Task Force can try to work into legislation:
 - Nurse path grant
 - o Age 18
 - o Pensions
 - o \$5M for community college funding
- ii. Final Report Check-Ins
 - This report is not the final version but a good summary and starting point.
 - o Members may reach out to OSFM with changes or suggestions.
 - The Task Force would like to continue the conversation. Potential for meetings this summer or fall.
 - Task Force asked if they could break into smaller groups.
 - Additional topics mentioned for future conversations: mental health, apprenticeship programs.

VI. Public Comment

- No public comment
- VII. Next meeting date, time, and location
 - Task Force will recess to the call of the Co-Chairs.
 - An email will be sent out for the next meeting.
- VIII. Meeting adjourned at 11:27am.