



Fire Marshal's Association of Kansas
2025 1Q Meeting Minutes
January 22, 2025
Virtual

Attendance: 38 attendees

Call to Order: 10 AM

Presentation: Interior finish requirements in new and existing buildings – Jake Powell, MFD

Business Meeting

- **Meeting Minutes**
 - Review and Approval of 4Q Minutes – Motion to approve by Diekemper, seconded by Kvacik. No opposition
- **Officer's Reports**
 - **President – Justin Ducey**
 - IFMA Annual Report has been completed and filed.
 - Chief Russell, President KSAFC requested FMAK support their efforts to get Medicare/Medicaid to cover the oxygen fire breaks. FMAK wrote a letter in support
 - New logo created by Andover Fire Admin Assistant. New logo looks great and was well received by the membership. Much thanks for her work. Roosevelt will share the group's appreciation.
 - Communication between HOA chapter and FMAK chapter on joint ICC training in the future.
 - **Vice President – Jose Ocadiz**
 - Still transitioning the Secretary/Treasurer duties to Jake Powell. Working with the bank to finish up the necessary documentation
 - Jose provided 4th Quarter treasurer report. See below
 - FMAK balances are healthy and can support the future website plans
 - **Secretary/Treasurer – Jake Powell**
 - Review and Approval of the Treasurer's Report
 - Starting balance: \$11,740.74 (September)
 - Income: \$580.17
 - Ending balance: \$12,320.91 (December 31, 2024)
 - Build a Google Drive space to share resources, documents with membership
 - Pay 2025 dues at <https://fire-marshal-association-of-kansas.square.site/>
 - Spread the word in your area to promote FMAK membership
 - **Immediate Past President – Mark Wassom**

- No report
- **Regional Directors Report**
 - **NW** – Shane Preston
 - Working on 2024 ICC code adoption
 - **SW** – Gene Robertson
 - Regional Fire Chiefs meetings to discuss bringing training to the area
 - Had a Fire Officer II class recently that was well attended
 - GCFD Training Officer trying to bring more classes to the region
 - **N Central** – Jake Powell
 - No Report
 - **S Central** – Lawrence Ake
 - Derby FD updates
 - Started a fall prevention task force,
 - FM Marr awarded Community Excellence award from the Derby Chamber of Commerce,
 - received a \$4,000 donation to purchase a mascot,
 - moving forward with IROL as their 3rd party ITM reporting solution.
 - SCFD updates
 - completed adoption of 2024 IFC that will take effect Jan 8, 2025
 - will implement IROL as their 3rd party ITM reporting solution
 - WFD updates
 - finishing up 2024 IFC adoption. Plan to go to City Council in February 15, 2025
 - ICC class hosted by the MABCD on February 6
 - with assistance from KSFM we closed a hotel on west Kellogg that had 107 violations
 - **NE** – Butch Diekemper
 - Youth Firesetting Intervention Specialist class just finished up. Another Youth Firesetting Interview and Education intervention 6 day class coming up in August. Registration is open now on KFRTI website
 - HOA Fire Marshal's group working through shared code updates that anyone in the metro area can adopt. Hope to have a draft by the end of January 2025
 - **SE** – Vacant
 - N/A
- **Committee Reports –**
 - **Training** (Powell / Ducey)
 - Let Powell or Ducey know if they have topics they would like to cover with training
 - Anyone want to teach a class let us know
 - Pass along any outside instructors who would be good for our group
 - **ByLaws** (Diekemper / Powell)
 - No issues/conflict with Powell serving as Secretary/Treasurer & NC Director
 - No further bylaws updates.
 - **Scholarship** (Droppelmann)
 - No applications received
 - **Legislative Issues** (Robertson)

- Will be sending out legislative updates from KSAFC Lobbyist to membership soon
- **Associate Organization Reports**
 - **Kansas Fire & Rescue Training Institute** – Ducey provided an update on upcoming training commission updates
 - Fire Inspector I to First Responder Inspector change – have asked for an extension and are still working on this. New Fire Inspector curriculum will be geared towards Prevention staff
 - Roosevelt updated us on legislative changes that creates the Fire Service Training Commission and cleanup of old language
 - **KSAFC Prevention Section** – Robertson
 - Chief's conference in MHK was well attended. Great info and vendors.
 - 2025 Conference is October 28 – 30, Hilton Garden Inn Manhattan, KS
 - Fire Chief's Conference January 30 in Coffeyville
 - Looking forward to working with FMAK to keep the group aware of what KSAFC is working on. Chief Russell has done great things for the Chief's Association
 - **State Fire Marshal's Office**
 - Education (Ingold)
 - Get Alarmed KS program – Gentech strobes were discontinued, no equivalent replacements currently, possible replacement in 2027. If you are aware of a product, pass it along to Kelly. Alarm clock/bed shakers are still available
 - Have smoke and CO alarms available for local departments
 - Email Kelly if you would like to be added to her education distribution list; kelly.ingold@ks.gov
 - She can add FMAK meetings/info to her emails
 - Fire Prevention (McNorton)
 - Going through budget with legislature
 - Engholm and Watson are at NFA working on NERIS implementation
 - Open positions with KSFM
 - Complaints/questions on Red Tagged hood suppression systems
 - Vendors are required to let KSFM know when a system is red tagged
 - KSFM is issuing a stop cook order when they receive notification that a system is red tagged
 - Lots of discussion about what hoods are being red tagged for
 - Send any issues/common items you see in your area to Brenda so she can address some of these issues with their licensing process
 - Sending out a helpful guide to AHJ's soon
 - Code adoption – still stuck with little progress
 - Extended help to several local AHJ's when needed. Always willing to help and work with you
 - Monthly prevention training provided by KSFM Office. Reach out to Rachel on topics
 - Submit local code adoptions to KSFM Office so they can be reviewed for compliance with the Kansas Fire Prevention Code
 - Investigations (Roberts)
 - N/A

- **NFPA** - Sullivan/Andrasevits:
 - N/A
- **KHFSC** – Ducey
 - Home fire sprinkler week is May 11-17
 - Encourage all departments to be a Built for Life department
- **KS – IAAI** (Casey)
 - Conference in Topeka, Feb 4-6
- **IAFC** – Missouri Valley Division
 - **N/A**
- **ICC** – Wassom
 - N/A
- **Old Business**
 - Website update
 - ICC chapters can use the ICC to host our website. \$600/year to host website and members area. Upcoming discovery meeting with the ICC web team to move forward with a FMAK website.
 - Motion to spend up to \$1000 on starting a website. Diekemper/Roberson. No opposition. Motion passed unanimously
 - Harder brought up website accessibility. Ducey will ask the web team in the meeting
- **New Business**
 - Working on a means to collaborate and share files amongst the leadership team and membership.
- **Roundtable / Discussion Items:**
 - None
- **Calendar of Upcoming Events/Training – MARK YOUR CALENDARS**
 - 2025 Kansas IAAI Conference – February 4-6 in Topeka
 - 2025 Kansas City Arson Task Force Conference – March 4-6 in Independence, MO
 - 2025 IAAI Conference – April 6-11 in Atlantic City, NJ
 - ICC class – Transitioning from the 2018 – 2024 IBC, Feb 6 in Wichita
 - Upcoming KFRTI/NFA Local Classes – register <https://jayhawkglobal.ku.edu/kufire-home>
 - Youth Firesetting Interviewing and Educational Intervention Strategies, March 10-11, 2025 in Wichita.
 - Youth Firesetting Prevention and Intervention, August 18-23, 2025 in Lenexa.
 - 2025 NFPA Conference – June 16-18, Las Vegas, NV
- **Good of the Order:**
- **Meeting Calendar**
 - 04/23/25 at 10:00 am – Location TBD (Need a host)
- **Meeting Adjournment:** Motion by Harder/Kvacik at 11:38

