



**Renton Regional Fire Authority**

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**MINUTES**

**RFA Governance Board Regular Meeting**

10:00 A.M. – Monday, July 14, 2025

Fire Station #14 – 1900 Lind Ave SW, Renton

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Governance Board Chair Alberson called the regular meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Governance Board Members Present:**

James Alberson, Chair (City of Renton)

Sean Cook, Vice Chair (Fire District 25)

Ryan McIrvine (City of Renton)

Marcus Morrell (Fire District 25)

Ed Prince (City of Renton)

Linda Sartnurak (Fire District 40)

**Governance Board Members Not Present:**

Andrew Schneider (Fire District 40)

**Administrative Staff Present:**

Fire Chief Steve Heitman, Chief Administration Officer Samantha Babich, Fire Marshal Anjela Barton, Deputy Chief Mark Seaver, Deputy Chief Dan Alexander, Deputy Chief Ryan Simonds, Communications Manager Katie Lewis, Site Reliability Engineers Wyatt Humphreys and Javier Esparza, SR HR Generalist Vennessa Medford and Board Secretary Samantha Vergara

**Public Present In-Person:**

Noi Sartnurak; Ken, Linda, Jen, Henry, Boden & Evelyn Keith; Alexandra, Eric & Laura Lundin; Judy & Paul Seifert; Rod Handly; Mindy, Tim and Carry Simonds; Charity & Ayden Plumlee; Gavin, Paul, Somer, Rainier & Evonna Smith; June Wentz; Cory Murrell; Mr. & Mrs. Bushnell; Danielle, Gavin, Andrew & Grace Brown; Amber, Luna & Matthew Alvarado; Jenna Ayers; Sasha Facchini

**Public Present Online:**

Joe Pratt, Lorraine and Jessica Alvarado, Dave Seifert, Ed Plumlee, Paul Dutton

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Prince and **SECONDED** by Board Member Morrell to excuse the absent board member from this meeting. **MOTION CARRIED (6-0)**

**AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

There were no agenda modifications.

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS**

#### **Announcement**

Board Chair Alberson officially welcomed King County Fire District #40 board commissioners since the annexation of District #40 into Renton Regional Fire Authority.

#### **Presentation**

Chief Heitman opened the promotional ceremony and presented the promotion of Ryan Simonds to Deputy Chief of Support Services.

Lt. Hand presented the promotion of Jason Lundin to Battalion Chief.

BC Vollandt presented the promotion of Luke Alvarado to Battalion Chief.

DC Simonds presented the promotion of Josh Brown to Battalion Chief.

DC Seaver presented the promotion of Jacob Smith to Captain.

DC Seaver presented the promotion of Nick Bushnell to Captain.

DC Seaver presented the promotion of Andrew Plumlee to Captain.

DC Seaver presented the promotion of Riley Ayers to Lieutenant.

DC Seaver presented the promotion of Alex Keith to Lieutenant.

BC Herman of VRFA presented the promotion of Nathan Facchini to Lieutenant.

DC Seaver recognized the promotion of Patrick Leahy to Engineer.

Board Chair Alberson acknowledged and recognized all promoted today. Chief Heitman thanked all the families for being present at our meeting and for all their support.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Prince and **SECONDED** by Board Member Morrell to approve the consent agenda for July 14, 2025. **MOTION CARRIED (6-0)**

### **SIGNING OF VOUCHERS**

The governance board members signed the voucher approval letter for July 14, 2025.

### **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no board committee reports.

### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Heitman presented his report.

### **DIVISION REPORTS**

Each of the division managers presented an overview of their respective reports.

For Support Services, DC Simonds shared that the bid for our Station 16 build is opening this week with review taking place on August 13, 2025.

At the conclusion of DC Seaver presenting on Response Operations, Board Chair Alberson asked about a recent (July) fire on 6<sup>th</sup> and Park, and DC Seaver gave an update.

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### **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The board was notified that Board Member Sartnurak will be asked to join the Budget/Finance committee. This position was vacated when Board Member Abercrombie retired last month. Board Member Sartnurak agrees to this position.

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

The board welcomed new FD25 Commissioner Andy Adolfson, who is filling the vacated seat for Fire Commissioner Position No. 2 until it is placed on the November ballot.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**


There was no Executive Session.

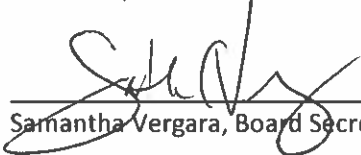
### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

- Monday, July 28, 2025, 10:00 a.m., Budget/Finance Committee Meeting, Video Conference
- Monday, July 28, 2025, 10:30 a.m., Operations/Capital Committee Meeting, Video Conference
- Monday, August 11, 2025, 10:00 a.m., Governance Board Regular Meeting, Fire Station #13 (18002 108<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Renton) / Video Conference

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Board Chair Alberson adjourned the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

  
James Alberson, Board Chair

  
Samantha Vergara, Board Secretary