



**Renton Regional Fire Authority**  
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## MINUTES

### RFA Governance Board Regular Meeting

10:00 A.M. – Monday, April 13, 2026

Fire Station #13 – 18002 108th Ave SE, Renton

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### CALL TO ORDER

Governance Board Vice Chair Prince called the regular meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

### ROLL CALL

#### Governance Board Members Present:

Ed Prince, Vice Chair (City of Renton)  
Andy Adolfson (Fire District 25)  
Ryan McIrvin (City of Renton)  
Steve Parsons (Fire District 40)  
Ruth Pérez (City of Renton)

#### Governance Board Members Not in Attendance:

Sean Cook, Chair (Fire District 25)  
Linda Sartnurak (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 Kaite Lewis, Administrative Services Manager Christine Noddings, Business Intelligence Analyst Kelvin Li, Facilities Technician Don Highley, Site Reliability Engineer Wyatt Humphreys, Board Secretary Samantha Vergara and RFA Attorney Brian Snure

#### Public Present:

Family members of Firefighter Robert Elliott, Family members of Firefighter Kristian Ramos

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Pérez and **SECONDED** by Board Member McIrvin to excuse the absent board members. **MOTION CARRIED (5-0)**

### AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no agenda modifications.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

#### Promotional Ceremony

Chief Heitman opened the ceremony by giving recognition to our newly promoted members and thanking the families for their support. DC Seaver led the presentation of badges:

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DC Seaver presented the promotion of Robert Elliott to Lieutenant  
Cpt Myking presented the promotion of Kristian Ramos to Engineer  
Chief Heitman gave an honorable mention to David Braun for his promotion to Engineer

At the conclusion of the ceremony, Board Member Parsons congratulated all the promoted members and acknowledged ENG Ramos' father, Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority Engineer/FF Noey Ramos, who presented during the pinning ceremony.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of minutes from the March 9, 2026, regular meeting and the approval of vouchers.

A **MOTION** was made by Board Member Pérez and **SECONDED** by Board Member McIrvine to approve the consent agenda for April 13, 2026. **MOTION CARRIED (5-0)**

### **SIGNING OF VOUCHERS**

The governance board members signed the voucher approval letter for April 13, 2026.

### **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no committee reports.

### **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Heitman presented his report which included the introduction of RFA's newest member: Jaiden Ripley – Permit Technician at our Office of the Fire Marshal.

### **DIVISION REPORTS**

FM Barton presented the Office of the Fire Marshal report. Afterwards, Board Member Pérez asked how the business of the month is selected. FM Barton explained the process, noting the Deputy Fire Marshals give their recommendation and take the business's previous fire inspections into account. All the businesses in Renton are considered, not only those listed under the Chamber of Commerce.

With community engagement, Board Member Pérez thanked the RRFA for their participation during the Renton Senior Safety Series event and offering safety classes for senior communities.

Deputy Chief Seaver presented the Response Operations report, sharing with the board that with the World Cup games in June, Renton RFA received a grant for about \$60K for additional fire response staffing.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

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### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

With the May committee meetings scheduled for May 25, 2026, during the Memorial Day holiday, board members discussed and agreed to cancel the meetings. Board Secretary Vergara noted that the voucher packet will be sent to the committee members, as scheduled.

Reminder to the board that beginning with the May 11, 2026, regular meeting, a new webinar plus will be in place. New calendar invitations with the new link will be sent out.

Board Member Adolfson gave notice that he will be out of town and be unavailable to attend the May regular board meeting.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no executive session.

### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

- Monday, April 27, 2026, 10:00 a.m., Budget/Finance Committee Meeting  
Video Conference
- Monday, April 27, 2026, 10:30 a.m., Operations/Capital Committee Meeting  
Video Conference
- Monday, May 11, 2026, 10:00 a.m., Governance Board Regular Meeting,  
Fire Station #13 (18002 108<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Renton) / Video Conference

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Board Vice Chair Prince adjourned the meeting at 10:26 a.m.



[Sean Cook \(May 12, 2026 09:37:01 PDT\)](#)

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Sean Cook, Board Chair



[Samantha Vergara \(May 12, 2026 08:46:18 PDT\)](#)

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Samantha Vergara, Board Secretary