MINUTES

Tuesday, February 21, 2023
Microsoft Teams Conference Call

1. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by Chair Jessica Hubert at 12:02 p.m. on February 21, 2023, via Microsoft Teams.

2. **Committee Attendees.**
   
The members and a guest introduced themselves.

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3. **Chair/Vice-Chair Remarks.** Jessica Hubert, Chair, and Marsha Mazz, Vice-Chair, welcomed members and guests to the meeting.

4. **Staff Remarks and Announcements.** Staff Liaison Kevin Carr thanked everyone for attending and initiated a roll call of attendees.

5. **Approval of Minutes.** The October 27, 2022, meeting minutes were approved as written.
6. **Code Development Updates.** Updates were provided from DARAC members, and guests, on NFPA and non-NFPA code development activities pertaining to disability concerns:

   1. NFPA: NFPA 72, NFPA 3000
   2. ICC: A117.1

7. **NFPA Standards Development.** The committee took the following actions:

   A. **TIA 1679**
   - Staff Liaison Kevin Carr introduced this topic and reviewed the NFPA Tentative Interim Amendment (TIA) process. Dan Buuck, guest, provided the background on TIA 1679 the committee pertaining to NFPA 70®, *National Electrical Code®*. After discussion, a task group (Mazz-chair, Hubert and Windley) was formed to liaison between DARAC and the ICC A117.1 technical committee, which has a task group reviewing possible action. The DARAC task group will provide a report to the committee at the next scheduled DARAC meeting.

   B. **Public Inputs**
   - NFPA 130, *Standard for Fixed Guideway Transit and Passenger Rail Systems*. Staff Liaison Kevin Carr provided an update on the status of the submitted DARAC Public Inputs. The NFPA 130 Technical Committee will review these items at their scheduled First Draft meeting, dates to be determined.

   C. **Public Comments.**
   - NFPA 72®, *National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code®*. Staff Liaison Kevin Carr provided an update on the status of the submitted DARAC Public Inputs. After discussion on multiple topics, a task group (Norton-chair, Hubert, Mazz, Whalen, Pallet-guest) was formed to review the existing Public Input submissions, as well as other material, for possible Public Comment. The task group will provide a report at the next scheduled DARAC meeting.
   - NFPA 101A, *Alternative Approaches to Life Safety*. The task group (Windley-Chair and Whalen) did not provide a report. No further action is expected.
   - NFPA 3000®, *Standard for an Active Shooter/Hostile Event Response (ASHER) Program*. The task group (Hubert-Chair, Burks, Whalen, Windley) provided a report. No further action is expected.

8. **NFPA Fire Protection Research Foundation (FPRF).** Mike Pallett, guest, provided an update regarding a proposal submitted to the NFPA FPRF.

9. **DARAC Membership Discussion.** Staff Liaison Kevin Carr provided an update on the current composition of the committee and opportunities for future members and alternates.
10. **New Business.** The following items were discussed:

   A. NFPA 80, *Standard for Fire Doors and Other Opening Protectives.* The committee reviewed an item for possible Public Input and will determine by ballot whether to supply Public Input.

   B. NFPA 901, *Standard Classifications for Fire and Emergency Services Incident Reporting.* The committee reviewed items for possible Public Input. A task group (Hubert-chair) will provide a report at the next scheduled DARAC meeting.

   C. Presentation. Jake Pauls, guest, provided a live, visual presentation, on swiveling seats.

11. **Next Meeting.** The committee is tentatively scheduled to meet sometime during the week of April 17-21, 2023. An agenda will be posted on the NFPA DARAC website once a date has been established.

12. **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Carr, NFPA Staff Liaison

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**INFORMATIONAL ONLY: Key NFPA Standards Development Dates**

**March 6-10, 2023**

**April 25-26, 2023**

**May 31, 2023**
NFPA 72®, *National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code®,* Public Comment Closing Date.
NFPA 80, *Standard for Fire Doors and Other Opening Protectives,* Public Comment Closing Date.

**June 1, 2023**

**September 6, 2023**
NFPA 901, *Standard Classifications for Fire and Emergency Services Incident Reporting,* Public Input Closing Date.

**September 7, 2023**
NFPA 70®, *National Electrical Code®,* Public Input Closing Date.