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HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A MEMBER OF THE IAAI? 18 years
HOW MANY ANNUAL MEETINGS

HAVE YOU ATTENDED; WHICH YEARS? 15 Years 2003-2009, 2013-2019, 2020 Zoom AGM

WHAT IAAI COMMITTEES HAVE YOU SERVED ON; WHICH YEARS? Award Committee - Chair 2015-current; Chapter Liaison Committee 2013 - current; T&E Committee 2003-2009

DO YOU REGULARLY ATTEND YOUR STATE/PROVINCIAL CHAPTER MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES? YES , have not missed an annual conference/ meeting since I was a member
OFFICES HELD STATE/PROVINCE CHAPTER? Past Board of Directors

PLEASE LIST ANY INTERNATIONAL OFFICES HELD, SPECIAL PROJECTS OR COMMITTEE WORK, INDICATING YEARS OF SERVICE. Award Committee- Chair 2015-current; Chapter Liaison Committee 2013- current; T&E Committee 2003-2009

DESCRIBE, IN 100 WORDS OR LESS, WHY YOU FEEL YOU ARE QUALIFIED FOR THIS POSITION: I have 32 years of progressive law enforcement experience from officer to division chief. Almost half of my experience was specializing in fire investigations. After my public sector retirement, I have continued my investigation skills in the private industry. Experience and education provided a steady framework that continue to enhance my leadership, decision making, and communication skills. My training and education includes my IAAI certifications, Certified Public Management, and Masters in Criminal Justice Administration. I have implemented safety protocols, reporting databases, and SOPs to assist investigators. My leadership skills, committee work, and experience will be an asset to IAAI.

WHY DO YOU WANT TO BECOME A DIRECTOR OR OFFICER OF THE IAAI? As a member of the IAAI for 18 years, I have seen how the organization has grown. I feel my skills and experience can continue to steer the IAAI towards a sustainable future by adopting sound, ethical, and financial management practices. The IAAI must have adequate resources to advance our mission for the profession we represent.

WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE ARE YOUR BEST LEADERSHIP TRAITS, AND HOW WOULD YOU USE THEM AS A DIRECTOR OR OFFICER OF THE IAAI? Honesty, integrity, collaborative decision-making, and objectivity are leadership traits I have exhibited both professionally and personally, through my life and work activities. As the premier organization for fire investigators these traits are necessary to represent all members, equally and decisively. The membership must know that a Director will serve and represent 'all, members fairly and be a good steward of the resources.

WHAT STEPS DO YOU BELIEVE SHOULD BE TAKEN TO GROW MEMBERSHIP? While the IAAI membership has grown over the years, it needs to continue to increase the numbers to represent the diverse group that we have become. This includes those individuals in support professions such as engineers, laboratory personnel, and attorneys. 'Word of mouth' is a powerful tool. Discounts have been given to new members. Potential incentives for those that are recruiting the new members could be a possibility. Not only do we need to look at new members but member retention.

HOW WOULD YOU PROPOSE TO IMPROVE RELATIONSHIPS AND COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE INTERNATIONAL AND CHAPTERS? The individual chapters are an integral part of the IAAI and membership. When decisions and activities are decided at the international level the chapters should be the first to be notified, through proper notification procedures and the use of the chapter liaisons. Topics would include training, executive presentations, and issues that would directly affect the chapter(s). The communication needs to flow in both directions.

WHAT ARE YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE FUNDING OF CFITRAINER.NET? As an adjunct university professor, I know that the CFITrainer modules are used in some courses. Universities and colleges have specialized fees for specific courses. This could be applied to the courses when the universities/ colleges utilize the modules. We can research the possibility of module sponsorship by vendors, related organizations, or individuals by which they could sponsor a new module as they relate to their field of expertise, such as an evidence related module sponsored by a evidence collection supplier.

OTHER THAN TRAINING FIRE INVESTIGATORS, WHAT TWO OR THREE OTHER ELEMENTS DO YOU CONSIDER AS CRITICAL TO THE MISSION OF THE IAAI? Continuing to research, promote, and implement safety practices, both in the field and on a personal level is a duty we owe to all our members. The findings and protocols not only should be stressed to the members but also reach out to the employers. Another important activity by the IAAI is assuring a voice and representation for the membership in all areas related to the professions such as NFPA documents and legislative issues. This representation is critical for maintaining consistency.

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