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## Changes to The Center for Campus Fire Safety Board of Directors.

December 3, 2015 - Newburyport, Massachusetts ... The Center for Campus Fire Safety® (The Center) announces changes to its Board of Directors.

Michael J. Swain was elected President at The Center's annual meeting end October. Mr. Swain has been involved with campus fire safety for over 30 years and with The Center for Campus Fire Safety since it began. He served on The Center's Board of Directors since the beginning and has served as Vice president for the last 6 years.

Mr. Swain is the Campus Fire Prevention Marshal at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. He has been a member of the Greenfield, Massachusetts Fire Department for 35 years and currently holds the rank of District Chief. Michael is a Past President of the Fire Prevention Association of Massachusetts and is currently serving as secretary of the association. He was the 2008 Fire and Life Safety Educator of the Year for Massachusetts.

Mr. Paul D. Martin, President of The Center from 2009 - 2015 will continue as Immediate Past President.

In addition Ms. Janet Maupin was elected Vice President, Mr. Tim Knisely was re-elected to the Board of Directors along with a new Director Justin Daniels.

Ms. Maupin was previously Treasurer of The Center. She is also Deputy Fire Marshal for the Champaign, IL Fire Department. She inspects university-owned buildings and delivers fire safety education to students and staff at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign campus. She has been involved in making inspections for 30 years.



Mr. Knisely is the Senior Fire Inspector for the Centre Region Code Administration in State College, PA. In this position he manages the Existing Structures Division that administers the fire and property maintenance code in all existing commercial and residential rental properties, and coordinates the life safety education for the community including off-campus and Greek housing. He has been active with The Center since its inception and served as treasurer from 2007 to 2010.

Mr. Daniels is the Fire Marshal at the University of Oklahoma, Norman Campus. He started working in the fire marshal's office at the University of Oklahoma in February 2002. Mr. Daniels was promoted to Assistant Fire Marshal in January 2013, and then to Fire Marshal in August 2013. As Fire Marshal, his duties and responsibilities include fire inspections for all 320 existing buildings on campus, fire and life safety training for faculty, staff and students, plan review for new buildings and existing facility remodels, fire drills, fireworks and open flame permits, assist with game day operations and other special events, fire investigation, supervision of 2 Fire Inspectors, and to ensure all fire and life safety systems on campus are inspected and maintained.

In order to fill the role of Treasurer/Secretary held by Janet Maupin, The Center's President appointed an existing board member, Kevin McSweeney, to this position. Mr. McSweeney has been serving since March 2006 as the University of Delaware Fire Protection Engineer/Fire Marshal where the primary fire protection program focus is with the Three E's: Engineering, Education and Enforcement. He is an NFPA Certified Fire Protection Specialist and Certified Fire Inspector II and has been active with Center for Campus Fire Safety since 2007. Prior to joining UD, Kevin served nearly 10-years with Delaware Office of State Fire Marshal where he served as Senior Fire Protection Specialist and Fire Protection Contractor Licensing Manager.

According to The Center's President, Michael J. Swain, "we have an active schedule planned for 2016. The Center is a clearinghouse of information and my goal is to keep expanding the amount of information and spreading it." With 31 years of service at UMass Amherst - and even longer as a call firefighter in Greenfield - Swain, like The Center, is committed to the "three E's of fire safety," education, engineering and enforcement.



### **About The Center for Campus Fire Safety**

The Center for Campus Fire Safety (The Center) is a non-profit 501C3 organization. The Center is a member-based organization devoted to reducing the loss of life from fire on and off campuses. The mission of The Center is to serve as an advocate for the promotion of campus fire safety. The Center serves as the focal point for the efforts of a number of organizations and also as a clearinghouse for information relating to campus fire safety. Visit us at [www.campusfiresafety.org](http://www.campusfiresafety.org) for more information.

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