

## **Fire Safety Code Board**

### **Of Appeal and Review**

**June 5, 2012**

**The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review met at its headquarters located at 1 Regan Court, Varley Building #46, in Cranston, RI on Tuesday June 5, 2012. Present were Chairman Newbrook, Vice Chairperson Filippi and Commissioners Dias, Pearson, Walker, Sylvester, Burlingame, Richard and Blackburn. Commissioners Jsparro and Jackson were absent. Also present were Executive Director Thomas B. Coffey, Jr. and Deputy Director Carol Marsella.**

**The following cases were heard:**

**APPEAL #120058: New Hope Community Church, for the property located at 1373 Smith Street, North Providence. ADSFM John Horan appeared for the North Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Sylvester made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dias, to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days from the date of the decision to submit plan for the correction of all outstanding deficiencies within this facility to the North Providence Fire Marshal's Office and an additional 150 days to implement that plan of action. The North Providence Fire Marshal may extend the above timelines for good faith efforts being demonstrated by the**

**Applicant. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #120059: St. Raphael Academy, for the property located at 22 Arlington Street, Pawtucket. ADSFM Steven Parent appeared for the Pawtucket Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Walker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester, to grant the Applicant's requested relief. The motion passed over the opposition votes of Commissioners Dias, Blackburn and Burlingame.**

**APPEAL #100004: Pastor Stoner Smith, for the property located at 233 High Street, Wakefield. Assistant Deputy State Fire Marshals Bruce Rice and Christopher Hiener appeared for the Union Fire District Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to grant a variance to allow the occupancy of this facility to be posted at below fifty (50) people. The reduction of occupancy allows the Applicant not to install a fire alarm system or second means of egress from this facility. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #100027: West Kingston Church of God, for the property located at 3534 Kingstown Road, West Kingston. Assistant Deputy State Fire Marshals Bruce Rice and Christopher Hiener appeared for the Union Fire District Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dias, to allow the Applicant to maintain the occupancy of this facility at 49 people, and a variance is granted to allow the Applicant not to install a local fire**

**alarm system or second means of egress from this facility. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #120060: Mr. Haven Nelson, for the property located at 690 Usquepaugh Road, West Kingston. Assistant Deputy State Fire Marshals Bruce Rice and Christopher Hiener appeared for the Union Fire District Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Sylvester made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dias, to grant the following relief.**

**The Applicant is granted a variance to allow the Applicant not to upgrade the cited hood system, provided he removes the knobs of the cited burners on the stove in this facility. The Applicant is granted a variance to not install a local fire alarm system in this facility, provided the first and second floors are not used concurrently, and provided interconnected smoke and CO detectors are installed, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Union Fire District Fire Marshal's Office. The Applicant is granted a variance, based upon structural hardship, to allow him to maintain the headroom of the cited stairways, provided it is marked with warning tape. The Applicant is granted a time variance of thirty (30) days from the date of the decision in which to provide plans to the Fire Marshal's Office for the correction of any outstanding deficiencies in this facility, and an additional 150 days to implement that plan. The Union Fire District Fire Marshal's Office may extend the above time for good faith efforts being demonstrated by the Applicant. The motion passed over the opposition vote of Commissioner Burlingame.**

**APPEAL #120062: FH French Real Estate, for the property located at 1454 South County Trail, East Greenwich. ADSFM Steven Hughes appeared for the East Greenwich Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Walker, to grant the Applicant a variance to allow him to use the 2012 Fire Code without amendments in the plan review phase of his project for this facility. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #120051: Mr. Scott Tsagarakis, for the property located at 22 Upper College Road, Kingston. DSFM Christopher Moore appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Sylvester made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to grant the Applicant a variance to allow him not to install heat detection in the space between the drop ceiling and the floor above. The motion passed over the opposition vote of Commissioners Burlingame and Blackburn.**

**APPEAL #090003: Mr. Richard Frechette, for the property located at 108 Smithfield Road, Woonsocket. Assistant Deputy State Fire Marshals Michael Morin and David Degrange appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester, to grant the following relief. The Applicant is granted a variance to reduce the occupancy of this facility to 49 or below. The reduction of occupancy allows the Applicant not to install a fire alarm system or second means of**

**egress from this facility. The Applicant is granted a time variance of thirty (30) days from the date of the decision in which to submit plans to the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office for the installation of Class A finish on the cited wainscoting and for the installation of "No Smoking" signs in this facility. The Applicant is granted an additional 150 days in which to implement the above plan. The Woonsocket Fire Marshal may extend the above timelines for good faith efforts being demonstrated by the Applicant. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #090059: Mr. George DeDentro, for the property located at 449 South Main Street in Woonsocket. Assistant Deputy State Fire Marshals Michael Morin and David Degrange appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Walker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn, to grant the Applicant a time variance of 150 days to correct any outstanding deficiencies within this facility. The Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office may extend that time for good faith efforts being shown by the Applicant. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #090366: Ms. Andrea Jacques, for the property located at 25 Roberts Street in Woonsocket. Assistant Deputy State Fire Marshals Michael Morin and David Degrange appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Richard and Dias, to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days from the date of the decision, in which to present a plan of action for the correction of any outstanding**

**deficiencies within this facility, and an additional 150 days in which to implement that plan. The Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office may extend the above timelines for good faith efforts being demonstrated by the Applicant. The motion was unanimous.**

**Respectfully submitted**

**Carol Marsella**