



INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MISSION:

The IAAI Insurance Advisory Committee is charged with the responsibility to be the link for membership, training and communication between the IAAI and the insurance industry. The Committee shall serve as a “voice” for IAAI members representing the insurance industry and as a “link” between the IAAI’s public and non-insurance private sector members. The Committee shall also be tasked with the responsibility of increasing the visibility and presence of the IAAI within the insurance industry, thereby increasing the IAAI’s insurance-related membership. The Committee shall be responsible for developing and presenting IAAI training programs related to the interest of the insurance profession and related disciplines in coordination with the Training and Education Committee.

GOALS:

1. To be an active voice and representative for the IAAI members from the insurance industry within our Association.
2. To grow and strengthen the IAAI’s membership from the insurance industry and related professions.
3. To bring together the insurance, public and non-insurance private sector IAAI members in respect to fire loss investigations and join in the battle against insurance fraud, as it relates to fire and arson claims.
4. To build bridges of communication and cooperation between the IAAI and the insurance industry, and related insurance trade organizations.
5. To coordinate with the Training and Education Committee in providing high quality education and training programs through the IAAI that will be of interest and benefit to those in the insurance and related professions.

6. To work cooperatively, where appropriate, with the insurance industry and related organizations for strengthening of anti-arson and anti-fraud related legislation.

OBJECTIVES:

1. To identify key members from the insurance industry and related organizations to serve on the Committee and be active in the IAAI and its leadership.
2. To increase the awareness of the IAAI within the insurance industry and related organizations, and where appropriate have the IAAI play a more active role in such organizations through participation and education efforts.
3. To present directly, or in cooperation with other organizations, outstanding training programs concerning fire loss and arson investigation which will be of benefit to the insurance industry and other IAAI disciplines as well.
4. To increase partnership, communication and cooperation between the public sector membership of IAAI, the insurance industry, and related organizations.
5. To provide opportunities for communication and sharing of information between the non-insurance IAAI membership and those IAAI members from the insurance industry, as well as related insurance organizations.
6. To work, where appropriate, with representatives from the insurance industry and related organizations to assist in the passage and implementation of laws and legislation to battle arson as an insurance fraud crime.
7. To work cooperatively at the national and state chapter levels to include insurance education and training programs as part of the IAAI education mission.
8. To coordinate with the Site Seminar Committee and Training and Education Committee to recommend and/or create for the ITC, training programs of specific interest and benefit to the insurance industry and related organizations, so as to improve both the overall quality of the annual conference and attendance from insurance industry representatives.
9. To include information, relative to the role of the insurance industry in the battle against arson and related information, in the IAAI communications and on the IAAI website.
10. To incorporate additional information relative to the insurance industry as part of the CFI Trainer Program.

STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES:

1. Committee membership:

- A. The Committee shall be comprised of no fewer than 6 members and no more than 12 members.
- B. All Committee members must be members in good standing of IAAI.
- C. To the fullest extent possible, the Committee will be representative of the IAAI membership with participation from the public, private, and insurance sector. It is anticipated more members may join from the insurance sector, but a balance on the Committee should be kept.
- D. The Executive Director shall be an ex-officio member of the Committee.
- E. The Chairperson of the IAAI Training and Education Committee shall be an ex-officio member of the Committee.
- F. The Committee shall report directly to the Board of Directors.
- G. The President of the Association shall appoint the Chairperson of the Committee who will serve in that capacity for a one-year period.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

1. Meetings of the Insurance Advisory Committee will be conducted via telephone conference calls, or in-person meetings, if practical. Business may also be conducted via email. It is anticipated at least one meeting shall occur each year of the Committee in person, preferably to occur at the annual ITC.
2. The meeting shall be run by the Committee Chairperson or the Vice-Chair in the Chair's absence.
3. Meetings of the Committee shall be conducted in accordance with *Robert's Rules of Order*, as appropriate.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT:

1. Any approval of financial support or funding for the Committee will be submitted to the IAAI Executive Committee for approval. All such submissions shall be made through the Executive Director.
2. Any approval of financial support or funding required for the development and presentation of insurance-related training programs will be submitted to the Executive Committee for presentation to the IAAI Board of Directors. Such programs are anticipated to operate on a break-even or preferably a profit basis, however, seed money may be required. It is anticipated funding will be required for the development and presentation of insurance-related training programs through the IAAI.
3. Individual costs associated with attending or participating in the Committee and its meetings shall be the responsibility of each individual committee member.