

Financial Assistance Review Committee (FARC)

Virginia Association of First Responders

2535 Turkey Creek Rd. Oilville, VA 23129

June 04, 2026

1000

Members Present:	Members Absent:	OEMS Staff:	Others:
Robert Trimmer – President	Melissa Meador	Michael Berg	Kelly Barill - Caroline County
Byron Andrews –Vice President		Debra Bennett	
Mark Barenklau – Secretary			
Jeff Grimm		OEMS Staff Attending Virtually:	Others Attending Virtually:
Greg DeYoung		Mohamed “Moe” Abbamin	Blair Cooper - FESCO
Marlon “Matt” Rickman			
Members Attending Virtually:			
None			

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
I. Call to order/Welcome:	The meeting was called to order at 1000 by President Trimmer Motion to approve Barenklau, 2 nd , DeYoung Approved Motion to approve Virtual Meeting DeYoung, 2 nd Andrews Approved Award for Mark Barenklau for service to the committee	No further action is required
II. Introductions:	Introductions of all in attendance	No further action is required
III. Approval of Minutes:	Approval of Agenda and march’s minutes. Motion to approve Andrews, 2 nd DeYoung, Approved	No further action is required
IV. Committee Business:	Robert Trimmer: Started a discussion on funding requests for the sole reason that funding is available regardless of scoring. The discussion centered on a maximum FARC score that would be eligible for funding. Mohamed Abbamin added that the mechanism of the current scoring criteria can be utilized for establishing a minimum score for funding. Motion: Jeff Grimm to restrict funding to 4.2 or lower, 2 nd Byron Andrews, motion amended to 3.99. Discussion continued, and motion passed unanimously.	No further action is required

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	<p>Grant Reviews: 1150-1510</p> <p>During the grant review, another workgroup was formed, (Robert Trimmer, Byron Andrews) to work on a policy relating to those items not allowable as part of the RSAF grant program (i.e., extended warranties, subscriptions, travel, etc.). The intent to have a draft for the next scheduled meeting.</p>	No further action is required
VII. Public Comment:	No public comments	No further action is required
VIII. Date of Next Meeting:	August 6 th , 2026, at 1000 Location TBD	No further action is required
VIII. Adjournment	Meeting Adjournment Motion: Robert Trimmer, 2 nd Mark Barenklau	No further action is required