To: President Mark Kidd and the OFCA Board of Directors

From: Brian Taylor, Education Committee Chair

Re: Annual Report for Conference

President Kidd,

It is my pleasure to present the annual report for the Education Committee. 2021-2022 has been a challenging year, however the committee was able to get several projects off the ground and bring them to reality.

2022 saw the long-awaited podcast come to fruition with the first three episodes of the "Triple P Podcast" produced. With host Chief Clayton O'Brien, and co-host Joel Frey leading the way, this podcast has finally gotten traction after several years of discussing. I would be remiss if I did not mention the office staff, who have been instrumental in their assistance with this endeavor as well.

The committee was contacted to sponsor a class at the NW Ohio Firefighters class in the spring of 2022. Chief Tony Shaffer was able to secure instructors for a class at this event. This class was attended by 55 participants over 2 days, and went well.

OFE program continues to do well with 3 classes currently in session. Class 20, the COVID delayed class, will graduate in November, Class 21 and 22 are both moving along. Class 22 has a full class of 26 students, which is great.

Fire Officer Programs and Maxwell offerings continue to do well and have had a number of classes this past year. As we continue to come out of the COVID restrictions these classes can be expected to continue to do well.

Lastly, the committee has seen several new members, but activity among members of the committee remains constant with only a handful of members attending meetings. We have held several meetings throughout the year and hope to continue to do so with a reorganization meeting of sorts at the conference. It is my hope to get some footing on additional goals for the committee by forming subcommittees to address areas such as the committee's part of the strategic plan set forth by the Association, as well as developing a mission statement for the committee that will work in harmony with the overall mission of the Association to define our direction further.