



**Scott Hudson, CEM**

## **Candidate Statement for IAEM-USA Region 6 Vice President**

I am honored to announce my candidacy for the position of Vice President of IAEM-USA Region 6. With over 20 years of dedicated service in emergency management and a deep commitment to our professional community, I am excited about the opportunity to bring my experience, passion, and vision to this esteemed role.

### **Professional Background and Experience**

Over the past 20 years, I have dedicated my career to emergency management, working in various capacities that have equipped me with the skills and insights necessary to be an effective Vice President.

I have been a member of IAEM since 2013 and have held several leadership roles along the way. In May, I was appointed to serve as Vice President for the remainder of the current term. I am the founding member and Immediate Past Chair of the K-12 Education Caucus. Additionally, I serve on the Conference Committee, the EMBark Working Group, and the Emerging Professionals Caucus. Within Region 6, I have served as the Texas State Representative and have been a member of the Bylaws and Conference Work Groups.

I am a Certified Emergency Manager and Master Exercise Practitioner. I am a graduate of the National Emergency Management Advanced and Basic Academies and hold a bachelor's degree in Emergency and Disaster Management from American Public University.

I am a delegate member of the Emergency Management Association of Texas, serving on the Board of Directors for Region 2 and participating in the Legislative, Membership, and Conference Committees.

As Director of Emergency Management for Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District in Houston, TX, I am responsible for the safety and security of 100 school campuses, 32 support facilities, over 119,000 students, and over 19,000 employees. I utilize a comprehensive emergency management program to ensure the district is better prepared and more resilient.

### **Vision and Goals**

As Vice President, my primary focus will be to:

**Foster Collaboration and Communication:** Strengthen the network of emergency management professionals within our region by facilitating regular meetings, workshops, and forums where we can share best practices, innovative solutions, and lessons learned.

**Enhance Professional Development:** Advocate for and provide access to training and certification opportunities that empower our members to advance their careers and improve their skills. I will work to create a mentorship program that connects seasoned professionals with those new to the field.

**Promote Advocacy and Awareness:** Champion the importance of emergency management at local, state, and federal levels. I will work diligently to ensure that our voices are heard in policy discussions and that our region receives the resources and support necessary to protect our communities.

**Community Engagement:** Promote the importance of community engagement in emergency management, encouraging partnerships with local organizations, businesses, and other public safety associations to build a resilient and informed region.

### **Commitment to Service**

I believe in being a servant leader, and I am committed to serving the members of IAEM-USA Region 6 with integrity, transparency, and dedication. I will actively listen to your concerns, seek your input, and work tirelessly to ensure our region continues to thrive and lead in emergency management excellence.

### **Conclusion**

Together, we can strengthen our region's emergency management capabilities and make a lasting impact. I humbly ask for your support and vote for Vice President of IAEM-USA Region 6. Let's work together to build a safer, more resilient future for all.

Thank you for your consideration.