- (2) ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION PROCEDURES BASED ON LENGTH OF SERVICE, NUMBER OF HOURS OF SERVICE, AMOUNT OF TRAINING, NUMBER OF HOURS OF TRAINING, PRIOR SERVICE, OR ANY OTHER CRITERIA CONSIDERED RELEVANT BY THE BOARD BASED ON REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES RECOMMENDED BY THE CECIL COUNTY FIREMAN'S ASSOCIATION;
- (3) ESTABLISH APPEALS PROCEDURES FOR VOLUNTEERS WHO CONTEST ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT DETERMINATIONS BY THE BOARD;
- (4) ESTABLISH A BENEFITS SCHEDULE AND DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING AGE AND LENGTH OF SERVICE REQUIREMENTS;
- (5) DELEGATE RECORDKEEPING RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PROGRAM TO THE VOLUNTEER LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE CECIL COUNTY FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION;
- (6) DELEGATE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM TO THE CECIL COUNTY TREASURER, A COMMITTEE OR BOARD, AN INSURANCE COMPANY, A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION, OR ANY OTHER AGENCY, GROUP, OR ORGANIZATION THE BOARD DETERMINES COMPETENT TO ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM:
- (7) ESTABLISH DISABILITY, DEATH, AND SURVIVOR BENEFITS FOR QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS. A "SURVIVING SPOUSE" BENEFIT IS DISCONTINUED WHEN THE SURVIVOR REMARRIES;
- (8) ESTABLISH ANY OTHER REQUIREMENTS, CRITERIA, OR BENEFITS CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD TO BE IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITIZENS OF CECIL COUNTY AND THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS, RESCUE SQUADS, AND AMBULANCE CORPS;
- (9) ALLOCATE FROM THE GENERAL REVENUE OF CECIL COUNTY OR FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE, FUNDS FOR THE PROGRAM. FUNDS ALLOCATED FROM CECIL COUNTY'S GENERAL REVENUES FOR THE PROGRAM MAY NOT EXCEED:
- (I) \$35,000 DURING THE FIRST YEAR OF THE PROGRAM; (II) \$39,000 DURING THE SECOND YEAR OF THE PROGRAM; (III) \$44,000 DURING THIRD YEAR OF THE THE PROGRAM; (IV) \$49,000 DURING THE FOURTH YEAR OF THE PROGRAM; (V) \$55,000 DURING THE FIFTH YEAR OF

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