



**ILEAS Board Meeting
May 25, 2006
State Emergency Operations Center
Illinois Emergency Management Agency
2200 S. Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, Illinois**

Meeting attendees-

Jim Page, Dave Owens, Don Bennett, Jeff Bock, Mark Beckwith, Mike Chamness, Tom Braglia, Roger Heaton, Greg Fowler, Jim Luecking, Doug Edmunds, Price McCarty, Jon Brodzik, Roger Scott, Bill Feithen, Terry Knop, Lindsey May, Ralph Caldwell, Susie Nichols, Robert Warfel, Jim Kuchenbecker, Tom Canavit, Roger Scott, Len Modlinski, Wayne Gulliford, Eric Decker, Joe Cerba, John Walsh, Robert Varble, Dave Kolf, Dennis Arnold, Tom Gallier, Ron Meack

ILEAS GOVERNING BOARD	REGION	PRESENT	ABSENT
Sheriff Dave Owens	ISA	X	
Chief Tom Braglia	IACP	X	
Chief Mark Beckwith	2	X	
Sheriff Mel Messer	2	X	
Chief Don Bennett	3	X	
Sheriff Roger Scott	3	X	
Chief Jeff Chudwin	4		X
Sheriff John Zaruba	4	X	
Sheriff Brent Fischer	6	X	
Chief Don Kliment	6		-
Ralph Caldwell- Delegate	6	X	
Sheriff Robert McCarty	7	X	
Chief Jim Kuchenbecker	7	X	
Sgt. Don Volk- Delegate	7		-
Sheriff Jim Vazzi	8		X
Chief Chris Sullivan	8	X	
Sheriff Robert Forester	9		X
Capt. Andrew Hires- Delegate	9		-
Chief Larry Evans	9	X	
Sheriff Tom Cundiff	11	X	
Chief Jeff Bock	11	X	
First Dep. Director Doug Brown	ISP	-	
Insp. Kevin Eack- Delegate	ISP	X	
Deputy Sup. John Risley	CPD		X
Lt. Wayne Guliford	CPD	X	

Meeting called to order at 9:00am by President Dave Owens.

- Reading of the March 2006 minutes, no discussion. Motion to approve by Mel Messer , 2nd by Kevin Eack with a voice vote
- President Owens introduced Chief Tom Braglia from Elmwood Park Police Department as the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police representative on the ILEAS board

Treasurer's Report-

- Overview of handout as provided by Don Bennett
- No discussion of the Treasurer's report
- Motion to approve by Tim Swanson, 2nd by Jim Kuchenbecker carried with a voice vote
- Motion to approve for the hiring of an audit firm, motion made by Kevin Eack, 2nd by Mel Messer carried with a voice vote
- Motion to proceed with the hiring the accounting firm of Estes, Bridgewater & Ogden to manage the ILEAS finances for a monthly fee of \$500, motion made by Don Bennett, 2nd by Kevin Eack carried with a voice vote

Executive Director's Report-

- Overview of report by Jim Page
- State has approved \$125,000 for ILEAS operations (FY 2006/2007 with the approval from IEMA)
- All Mobile Command Posts have been delivered
- MDC's have been received and distributed to agencies who have a Mobile Command Unit
- "Special Resource List" is available on the website behind the Member Login (read-only)

Introduction of guests-

- Terry Lucas, U.S Attorney's Office- Presentation of his trip to Iraq and his assignment

Legislation-

- No report at this time

Financial-

- The State of Illinois will provide ILEAS with \$125,000 annual funding through IEMA

Communications-

- Doug Edmonds gave an overview of the ITERT Board formation
- 18 States have expressed an interest in the ITERT concept (10 was the National goal)
- Mel Messer- Overview of StarCom tower sites and the expanded coverage in the State
 - Discussed a StarCom "statewide" pilot program that Sheriff Messer would like to initiate in Ogle County
 - Concept would be to place a StarCom radio in each school in Ogle County to allow communications between the school and respond law enforcement in the event of an incident within the school
 - Discussion- Source of funding for the project, would it affect current sources from ILEAS?
 - Funding should come from Education
 - Letter of support from ILEAS, the letter of support should address that the funding should come strictly from education
 - Area agency should allow school district to have a direct link via the home agency's frequency
 - Concern that a "perpetrator" may be able to get access to the radio during an event
 - No further discussion or action taken on this subject at this time

Special Response Team (SRT)-

- Five teams are fully operational, NIPAS 1 & 2, Region 2, Region 4, and Region 7
- SOPs have been developed and approved
- Final copy is in production
- Cool suits have been delivered and awaiting pick-up by teams
- Chief Kuchenbecker inquired if the SRT Commander can use the SRT Truck as their vehicle; ITTF policy governs this and prohibits this
- Chief Chudwin will be convening a meeting on June 1st at the Tinley Park Police Department at 1000 hours in the South Suburban Chicago (southeast) area to develop an 11th SRT team

Nominating Committee-

- No business to report, terms expire in 2007

Legislative Committee-

- No report at this time

Mobile Field Force-

- Draft of SOPs nearing completion
- MFF training (train the trainer) in Rantoul, IL June 12-16, 2006

Grants-

- 2005 ILEAS local law enforcement agency grants, 91% of the funds have been expended, 93% of the grants have been closed
- 2006 funding will announced on May 31, 2006
- Six University grants were provided through the support of a "scrape fund" through ITTF
- Issued a purchase order in late April for MDC's (\$500,000 +/-)

Training-

- ILEAS SWAT approval is being reviewed by Matt Bauer for ODP compliance/certification
- MTUs are holding Clan Lab courses
- Crisis Intervention Conference 6/21-22 at the Crown Plaza at, register at www.ptb.state.il.us
- Search and Rescue training September 23-24 in Henry County

Car Plan-

- 640 completed alarm cards (May 2005- 570)
- Request to Northwest Dispatch that the Alarm card activations indicate the level of the alarm
- Jeff Block spoke with Northwest Dispatch regarding the southern Illinois alarm for the tornado that struck the area. The issue was with the responding agencies and not with ILEAS or Northwest dispatch, the responding agencies apparently overlooked contact NW dispatch that they were responding to the alarm

Annual Conference-

- The 2006 will be March 18-20, 2007 at the Crown Plaza
- Plans are underway

Public Transportation-

- Pete Smith reported that the Emergency Response and Planning guide has been developed through the cooperative efforts of several entities. It can be found on the ILEAS website behind the "member login"
- Member agencies are strongly encouraged to review the document
- MABAS has agreed to update the guide

Membership-

- 803 member agencies (May 2005- 735)

- Membership due's letters have been sent out and the fee is based upon the number of member agency's sworn officers
- 486 agencies have paid their dues, 268 have yet to pay

Intelligence Sharing-

- Intelligence report from Aaron Kustermann (STIC)
- Handout provided covering some of the following topics;
 - Fentanyl usage with heroine (hospitals are seeing a significant increase)
 - Drug/money trafficking using "coolers"; inside the cooler with the money is a religious figurine that is placed there for the belief that the money will be protected from detection by law enforcement
 - Individuals are purchasing large amounts of cellular telephones (several hundred) from Wal-Mart and then transport them to Mexico to be sold
 - "Westboro Baptist Church"- organization that protest servicemen's funeral's
 - "National Alliance" located in Illinois is planning a rally in the Chicago area in June
- Discussion of having this type of intelligence report at every meeting

Helicopter-

- Still pursuing the statewide helicopter program and funding

Old Business-

Avian and Pandemic updates-

- Dr. Dave Culp from IDPH- Briefing on the concerns about the Avian Flu and a Pandemic Flu-
 - N-95 masks are recommended by IDPH to be worn by responders
 - Availability of these masks is a concern: usage is one day then dispose of them
 - Information on Avian Flu can be located on the ILEAS website behind "member login"
 - Concern- It is only time before the United States is exposed to the bird flu!
 - May not be enough antiviral vaccinations for law enforcement! Dr. Buck will continue to look into this.
 - Those who have been exposed will be treated/vaccinated

IMAT Committee- (Incident Management Assistance Team)

- Captain Lindsey May gave an overview of the IMAT system
- Recommendation to appoint a representative from the Sheriff's Association to be on the IMAT committee
 - Sheriff Gib Cady will be the representative for the Sheriff's Association

Administrative Planning Retreat-

- June 13-14, 2006
- Anyone with ideas/items are encouraged to e-mail them to [http://.jpage@ileas.org](mailto:jpage@ileas.org) before the meeting

New Business-

- State exercise "FLUEX" on May 2-4, 2006 at the State Emergency Operations Center in Springfield

Motions to adjourn by Mel Messer, 2nd by Tom Braglia with a voice carry

Next meeting will be at the State Emergency Operations Center in Springfield, IL;

Executive Board- Retreat on June 13-14, 2006

Board- Tuesday June 27, 2006 Conference Call for Board members that can not be present

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark G. Beckwith". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Mark G. Beckwith
ILEAS Secretary
Chief of Police
Milan Police Department