

ILEAS Board Meeting
January 26, 2012

Meeting called to order: Board president Mark Beckwith called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Attendance was taken:

Chief Mark Beckwith	Present
Sheriff Dave Snyders	Present
Sheriff Roger Scott	Present
Chief Bill Feithen	Absent
Sheriff John Zaruba	Present
Chief Jeff Chudwin	Absent
Sheriff Mike McCoy	Absent
Chief Robert Williams***	Present
Sheriff Derek Hagen	Present
Chief James Kuchenbecker	Present
Sheriff Jim Vazzi	Present
Chief David Hayes	Present
Sheriff Andrew Hires	Absent
Chief Larry Evans	Present
Chief Todd Sigler***	Present
Sheriff Keith Brown	Present
Chief Tim Swanson	Present
Sheriff Tom Schneider	Present
Deputy Chief Wayne Gulliford	Present
Commander ISP Todd Kilby	Present
Chief Von Young	Present

***Chief Bob Markovic is present as a representative for Chief Robert Williams and Ken Sneed is present as a representative for Chief Todd Sigler. Out of 21 Board members 15 Board members were present and 2 delegates.

Also in attendance were ILEAS Executive Director, James Page, ILEAS contractors, Nancy Crossman, Richard Huston, Pat Carey, Pete Smith, Jim Luecking & Calvin Stearns. Also present was Jeffrey A. Fritz Deputy Director Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.

Guest Introductions: Mark Beckwith introduced Greg Muller and congratulated him on the appointment of his new position, 1st Deputy of ISP.

Previous Minutes:

- Motion made by Kuchenbecker and seconded by Swanson to approve the minutes of December 8, 2011 as presented. Voice Vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report: Dick Huston gave a brief overview of ILEAS' financial status. Dick also handed out a current listing of the Federal Grants as of January 2012 and a listing of the current Assets and Liabilities as of January 2012. The Grant Accounts – **Reserved** are for the 1st quarter payroll. Dick stated that they were able to draw down money for the entire quarter instead of drawing down monthly. He also stated that the Business Accounts – **Reserved** is money reserved for the conference and Jim Page stated that we are getting ready to spend a large amount of that money. Page returned from the ITTF meeting with the signed grants. Per Mark Beckwith “Kudos” to Dick Huston and Pat Carey on the time spent on the conversion. A lot of time was spent on the conversion in a short amount of time and it went smoothly.

ITTF/FEMA Considerations for FY12 Homeland Security Grants

The ITTF ground rules for committees for 2012 have been set. Page is asking for guidance from the Board on the importance of the staff proposals for Budget Development Priorities for ILEAS. The Board is recommending that ILEAS send an email out to members of ILEAS for input. Chief Kuchenbecker stated that we need to get back to basics and to make cuts to staff if we need to. Page said to keep in mind that these are grant funds and not business related issues. It was suggested by David Hayes that we could reduce training reimbursement by 50% and have the agencies pay for half of the cost. Jim Luecking said not to cut OT/B, but cut equipment or you will probably lose members. SRT and MFF are the only teams being reimbursed for OT/B.

Current Issues & Updates for Board:

- **Access to ILEAS Systems Policy** –There is some concerns that access to the ILEAS database should not be provided to someone with a pending criminal case. However, where to draw the line has been difficult to determine. The general rule currently is that two passwords are issued to each agency. The decision as to who in the agency has access via the passwords is one made by the Chief or Sheriff. However, there have been some cases lately of Chiefs or Sheriffs getting arrested, suspended or otherwise potentially compromised. Jim Page is looking for guidance from the Board on this. When do we suspend access to our database? Is it a big deal? Larry Evans asked what is so sensitive in our database that we would need to suspend someone. It was decided that if they are suspended, terminated or they resign they will no longer be able to access our database.
- **Open Meetings Act Training** –A new law went into effect January 1, 2012 requiring public officials on applicable boards to complete Open Meetings Act online training. All Governing Board members are required to complete the training and have until the end of the year to do so. Anyone joining the Board after January 1st has 90 days to complete the training. They have to file their certificate with ILEAS.
- **Proposed Legislation** – President Mark Beckwith, Jim Page, Pete Smith and Pat Carey met with Senator John Millner on January 19, 2012 and discussed proposed legislation as outlined in the letter sent to the Board January 16, 2012. The Illinois Sheriffs' Association Executive Director Greg Sullivan participated in this meeting by phone. On January 20, 2012 Board members Schneider and Hagen met with representatives Chapin Rose, Naomi Jakobsson and Chad Hayes at the ILEAS Training Center. Along with Jim Page several local Chiefs and Sheriffs attended as did R.T. Finney, current President of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police. As a result of those meetings, the proposed language is being adjusted by the Illinois Senate GOP legal staff

and will be submitted to the Legal Research Bureau by the 27th of January. Legislation will require the insurance companies to collect a \$1 annual surcharge on every vehicle required to have insurance in Illinois. The bill will be submitted in the Senate by Millner and possibly Senator Mike Frerichs. According to everyone in the General Assembly, this will be a hard sell as it is an election year and because of the economic environment. Von Young asked Page if there was a backup plan and Page stated that he and Mark Beckwith were discussing the possibility of going to Washington DC to see what other grants might be available to ILEAS, or we could do it the old fashion way by earning the money. Page stated that there will be more to follow on this discussion.

- **ISPERN – ITTF approved using Interoperable Communications Grant Program funds previously dedicated to an IREACH patch be repurposed to ISPERN.** An MOU agreement with the Illinois State Police has been reached. We are awaiting the State Police Director’s signature. Russ Gentry is chairing a committee to determine the specific equipment needed and to outline the implementation process. Motion made by Hayes and seconded by Kuchenbecker to approve the MOU agreement with the Illinois State Police and the expenditure of up to \$900,000 for the purchase of VHF band base stations from the State master contract vendor (Motorola) for the purpose of replacing the current ISPERN base stations. Voice Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.
- **Mobile Field Force Mission –** The Mobile Field Force Teams were originally funded and developed with Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program funds. All uses of the fund had to be tied to terrorism issues. The Mobile Field Forces original primary purpose was Regional Distribution Site Security Teams to protect vaccine/biological Strategic national Stockpile security elements. However, since the beginning, it was envisioned and implemented as a Law Enforcement Patrol Team (proposed NIMS Resource Type). In recent years the teams have been utilized as an organized team response to disasters. They have been used as a Law Enforcement Patrol Team as described in a 2009 FEMA NIMS Interim guidance for Resource types. These teams have become the preferred method of responding to disasters requiring lengthy or large deployments that exceed the capability of standard “car” mutual aid plans. Recent meetings with NIPAS officials revealed that the NIPAS Mobile Field Force has been focused more on civil unrest and distribution site security priority and less on the Law Enforcement Patrol Team mission. There has been an issue with agencies wanting to activate or join a mobile field force that are located inside the NIPAS area but not NIPAS members. President Beckwith, Page and Carey met with NIPAS officials to iron out the differences. It has become apparent that ILEAS must review mission and functional statements of all the special teams so that funding decisions by the Board can be based on mission need. In order to clarify the issue and to work out a final agreement with NIPAS, ILEAS must officially review the Mobile Field Force Mission Statement and Functional duties. Zaruba related that DuPage Chiefs were discussing partnering with NIPAS to form a DuPage MFF. DuPage Chiefs were meeting with NIPAS on 26 Jan 12. Motion made by Kuchenbecker and seconded by Zaruba to approve the motion to adopt the policy as written. Voice Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.
- **ISP/ILEAS Emergency Response Discussion –** Jim Page read a letter from the Illinois State Police Director Hiram Grau regarding the recent correspondence stating the concerns expressed by the ILEAS Board which stated that ISP supports ILEAS and its commitment to “Strength through Cooperation.” The letters also stated that the ISP is committed to a successful working

relationship with ILEAS and looks forward to strengthening the partnership in future endeavors. Todd Kilby also spoke on behalf of the ISP stating that this was just a miscommunication on both sides and that he did not feel like there was no longer an issue at this time. Greg Mueller ISP's 1st Deputy stated that they are here to help people and that they are not in competition with anybody. Kuchenbecker agreed with Kilby and stated that it was time to put it aside and move on.

- **School and Campus Security Training Program** – This report was submitted by Ellis and Ellis Consulting on Preparedness Activities, Program Planning and their success story. Please read.

Closed Session Regarding Personnel Issue: Motion made by Kuchenbecker and seconded by Hayes to approve the request to go into closed session regarding personnel issues. Voice Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Back In General Session

- Motion made by Kuchenbecker and seconded by Zaruba to approve the request for RPC supervisor pay adjustment to 15% for Pete Smith and Calvin Stearns. Voice Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously
- Motion made by Kuchenbecker and seconded by Scott to approve the request to increase Russ Gentry's Mileage allowance to 1750 miles per month. Voice Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously

No action needs taken on the tax issue. That is for Governing Board information only.

Old Business:

- **Employee Transition Status** – Discussion covered in the Financial Report given by Dick Huston and commented on by Mark Beckwith.
- **NATO/G8 Status** – Per Wayne Gulliford, White House Staff was in Chicago to visit proposed venues. All venues are expected to be identified by the end of January. One venue for a dinner will be held at Soldier Field. The main venue will be McCormick Place. City Council passed an ordinance on 17 Jan to allow Supt McCarthy to deputize outside law enforcement officers who may be called in for support during the Summits. No permits have been issued for Grant Park. Two permits have been issued for Federal Plaza. One permit has been issued for a march on March 19th from Federal Plaza to McCormick Place. Supt McCarthy and CPD are hosting a law enforcement briefing at CPD HQ on 30 Jan at 1500 hrs. Invitations were sent out through suburban chiefs associations. Contact CPD at G8NATO@chicagopolice.org with any issues or for additional information. There is no indication of any impact on suburban agencies at this time. Open communications are taking place with college campuses and suburban chiefs. The FBI is encouraging agencies to register and participate in their TLOC program for additional information. CPD has not signed any agreements with anyone. All requests for outside agency support will be coordinated through ILEAS. Pete Smith and Jim Page will be meeting with Deb Kirby regarding ILEAS supporting roles.

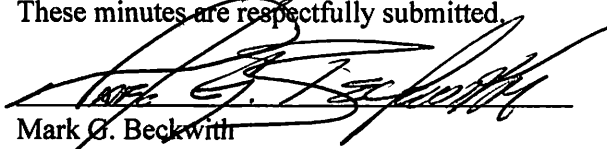
- **Conference** – No new updates regarding the conference at this time.
- **Credentialing** – It was suggested by ITTF that ILEAS select the same vendor for credentialing that MABAS selected (Identisys). Ronnie Studebaker reviewed the quote and approved. Motion made by Hagen and seconded by Kuchenbecker to approve the request that ILEAS select the same vendor as MABAS for credentialing. Voice Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

- **Review of New Videos** – This was available to view after the meeting was adjourned.

Adjournment: At 1:31 motion made by Zaruba and seconded by Kuchenbecker to adjourn the meeting. Voice Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

These minutes are respectfully submitted.



Mark G. Beckwith
ILEAS Board President