Meeting called to order: Board Vice President Dave Snyders called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

## Attendance was taken:

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Chief Mark Beckwith Absent
Sheriff Dave Snyders Present
Sheriff Roger Scott Present

Chief Jeff Swoboda\*\*\*

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Sheriff John Zaruba Absent
Chief Steve Neubauer Present
Sheriff Mike McCoy Absent
Chief Robert Williams Absent
Sheriff Derek Hagen Present

Chief James Kuchenbecker\*\*\* DELEGATE Greg Gordon

Sheriff Jim Vazzi **Absent Chief David Hayes Absent 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 Captain William Smith Present **Deputy Chief Steve Georgas** Absent

Out of 21 Board members 11 Board members were present and 2 delegates.

Also in attendance were: ILEAS Executive Director, James Page, and ILEAS staff, Nancy Crossman, Pat Carey, Pete Smith, Richard Huston, Jim Luecking, and Calvin Stearns. Jenifer Johnson with IEMA, Jeff Fritz with ILETSB and Dave Beasley with ISP was also present.

## **Previous Minutes:**

Motion made by Hagen and seconded by Schneider to approve the minutes of August 23, 2012.
 Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Vice President Dave Snyders announced that Mark Beckwith Region 2 Co-Chair and President of ILEAS, is resigning effective November 9, 2012. Pursuant to by-laws and tradition, Sheriff Dave Snyders has the authority to appoint a Chief of Police as the region 2 Co-Chair to complete Marks term until the next election. Sheriff Snyders has appointed Chief Victor Moreno of the East Moline Police Department as the Region 2 Co-Chair.

The President, subject to the advice and consent of the Governing Board, will fill vacancies to the positions on the Board of Officers within the two year terms. Due to time constraints, Sheriff Snyders, as Vice-President has declined the offer to act as ILEAS President. President Beckwith has asked Treasurer Chief Larry Evans to fulfill the position of President until his term expires and he has accepted. President Beckwith has also asked Chief David Hayes to perform the duties of the Treasurer and he has accepted as well. Motion made by Schneider and seconded by Hagen to approve the appointment of Chief Larry Evans to President of ILEAS until the term expires. Voice vote take. Motion passed unanimously. Motion made by Schneider and seconded by Hagen to approve the appointment of Chief David Hayes to the position of Treasurer.

**Guest Introduction:** There were no guests present at this Board meeting.

## **Financial**

- o **Grant & Fiscal Report** On September 26<sup>th</sup>, the ITTF adopted a formal Fiscal Year 2012 budget. ILEAS received \$4,240,304. It is important to note that these 2012 grants will expire at the end of March 2014. After that, there is no guarantee of any homeland security grants for ILEAS. At this point, both houses of congress have passed a 2013 budget for homeland security which, again, reduces funds available to the states for homeland security.
- o **FY12 Budget Approval** Scott motioned and Sigler seconded to accept the FY2012 budget as presented by ITTF. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.
- o Re-Approval of Current Prior Fiscal Year Grants This was not discussed.
- Audit Report Dick Huston gave a brief overview of the audit. To date, we have not received the report, but should receive it sometime this week.
- FY10 Grants Purchases There was \$434,500 remaining in the Personal Radiation Detector (PRD) budget line in the 10ILEASEQU grant that must be spent by December 31<sup>st</sup>. ITTF has voted not to expend those funds on PRD's. Staff reviewed these funds and put together a plan which was approved at the last Board meeting.

## **Current Issues & Updates for Board:**

- Helicopters Tim Swanson was afforded the opportunity to explain his situation with regard to the helicopter issue. There was a discussion about what to do with the helicopters. ILEAS has conducted an inspection and has accounted for all equipment purchased for this helicopter through ILEAS funds.
- Mississippi Project & Video An informal partnership is growing between ILEAS and the State of Mississippi Homeland Security Force Protection. By comparing notes with Mississippi Governor's Homeland Security Advisor, Jay Ledbetter and Jim Page. They learned that Mississippi and Illinois structured their law enforcement mutual aid systems very similarly with regard to special teams. Both teams are similarly sized and organized. Preliminary discussions and planning visits have occurred between Mississippi Force Protection and ILEAS Mobile Field Forces. The elegance of the plan is that our commanders have met, plans have been made and tested with an exercise and our voice communications systems are interoperable. This

partnership has also been cleared through ITTF and the IEMA Director, Jonathon Monken. ILEAS has developed a series of videos highlighting ILEAS' various activities. It is our plan to make these videos available to every member agency. They will also be shown at each Board meeting. This month, we are showcasing a video regarding our developing relationship with Mississippi Homeland Security. Motion made by Evans and seconded by Udlehoven to authorize the continuation of the Mississippi relationship. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- o Hotel/Catering/Safe Workplace Policies Staff is currently working to develop a lodging and catering policy. Jim Page directed staff to develop a hotel and catering policy to govern how decisions are made as to what hotels/caterers are used, how much is spent, what hotels will be recommended to others, which hotels will be used by staff, etc. This policy will be presented to the Board for consideration in the December meeting, hopefully to be effective on January 1, 2013. The final version of the Safe Workplace Policy is being presented for the Board's approval. Motion made by Schneider and seconded by Hagen to adopt the Safe Workplace Policy. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.
- o **Mobile Home Sale/Foundation Update** The ILEAS foundation was able to sell the 2 mobile homes at a price of \$28,500 for both. They were originally purchased for \$13,700. The foundation is currently working out a repayment plan with ILEAS.
- o HB5555 The bill passed the House Insurance Committee and is currently being held in the Rules Committee until the veto session in November. ILEAS also has sponsors lined up in the Senate to carry the bill if it passes the House. An amended version of the bill, addressing some original issues, is currently at the Legislative Reference Bureau.
- o **Ryder Cup Report** Pete Smith gave a brief overview of the Ryder Cup that was held in Medinah IL. ILEAS had staff there to provide resources as needed.
- Radiation Detector Purchase ILEAS has been asked by IEMA to purchase a Mobile Detection System (MDS) for the Radiation Detection Program. The MDS is a highly sensitive gamma/neutron radiation detection system with radioisotope capabilities. It is used for special events and searching for lost sources. It will be the only detection system for nuclear WMD-type devices. This will be housed and deployed by IEMA. Motion made by Swanson and seconded by Evans to approve the purchase of the Mobile Detection System at a cost not to exceed \$130,000. Voice Vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Old Business:**

- Open Meetings Act Training Requirement Reminder There is a statutory requirement for board members to complete the Open Meetings Act online training sponsored by the Illinois Attorney General. Board members have until December 31, 2012 to complete the training. To date there are still members that have not submitted a copy of their certificate.
- Thomson Prison Update Jim Page has spoken with the Chief of Police of Thomson and has offered our support.

## **New Business:**

o ILETSB Letter - ILEAS received a letter from Kevin McClain Executive Director of Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board regarding the legitimacy of ILEAS. Jim Page and Mark Beckwith responded with a letter respectfully demanding that the letter be withdrawn and replaced with a document that demonstrates that ILETSB is working with its partners in law enforcement, specifically in this case ILEAS, to address concerns and better serve the citizens. ILEAS insists that the leadership of ILETSB formally discuss its concerns with the leadership of ILEAS in an atmosphere of cooperation with the goal of creating a better relationship and serving the citizens of our State appropriately and effectively.

**Adjournment:** At 1:26 motion was made by Swanson and seconded by Udelhoven to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

These minutes are respectfully submitted.

ILEAS Board Vice President