

**ILEAS Board Meeting
March 6, 2012**

Meeting called to order: Board president Mark Beckwith called the meeting to order at 7:36 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	Absent
Chief David Hayes	Present
Sheriff Andrew Hires	Present
Chief Larry Evans	Present
Chief Todd Sigler	Present
Sheriff Keith Brown	Absent
Chief Tim Swanson	Present
Sheriff Tom Schneider	Present
Deputy Chief Wayne Gulliford	Present
Commander ISP Todd Kilby	Present
Chief Von Young	Present

***Bob Markovic is present as a representative for Chief Robert Williams. Out of 21 Board members 16 Board members were present and 1 delegate.

Also in attendance were Don Kauerauf, ITTF, and ILEAS Executive Director, James Page, and ILEAS staff, Nancy Crossman, Pat Carey, Pete Smith, Jim Luecking and Calvin Stearns.

Sherriff Roger Scott informed the Board that Chief Jeff Swoboda of the Elgin Police Department will fill the Region 3 Co-Chair position vacated by retired Chief Bill Feithen.

Previous Minutes:

- Motion made by Schneider and seconded by Hayes to approve the minutes of January 26, 2012 with corrections recommended by Hayes. Corrections made to the “**ITTF/FEMA Considerations for FY12**” section. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Young and seconded by Sigler to open the minutes of the closed session. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report:

- **Grant Report** – The Board has been supplied with a document entitled: “National Preparedness Grant Program Vision Document”. This document outlines DHS’s path forward. The vision for DHS is that starting in FY2013, all former homeland security grants are gone, combined and replace by the new National Preparedness Grant Program (NPGP). No more UASI, IECGP, SHSGP, etc. The plan is to replace it with the NPGP. It will be up to each state to apply for a competitive grant to support what is outlined in the vision document. Per Jim Page, Illinois is rated 4th in vulnerability. It appears that Illinois and ILEAS are very well-positioned to take advantage of this new program- especially with regard to our special teams.
- **Fiscal Report** – Jim Page spoke and gave a brief overview of ILEAS’ financial status. Page also spoke briefly on the current list of active Grants/Sub Grants as of 2/23/12, which is attached to the issues document. Motion made by Snyders and seconded by Scott to approve the financial report. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.
- **FY12/13 FEMA Grants** – Illinois received significant reduction in Homeland Security funding. The entire state received \$11.8 million. Funds may be reprioritized from the original intent of the grants as long as any new project is consistent with the State strategy and the core capabilities as outlined by FEMA. Caps for staff, IED’s match requirements and others have been waived. FEMA grant fund may be spent on authorized maintenance on equipment purchased with other federal or state funds and not just DHS grants. ILEAS currently has sufficient funds to last until December 2013. Assuming for the moment that ILEAS is awarded \$3 million in FY2012, ILEAS’ survival deadline might be pushed out to early summer of 2014. ILEAS staff plans on conducting an extensive review of its fiscal health as soon as the conference is over. FY 2012 goals are to be submitted to ITTF by Apr 27.

Guest Introductions: None at this Board meeting

Current Issues & Updates for Board:

- **Legislative Update** – Hearing at 1300 on March 6th at the Stratton Office Building. A letter was sent to Representative Dugan about the legal status of ILEAS. Issues about whether ILEAS is a public agency have been raised by some legislators. Representative Dugan will ask for a delay in the vote at the hearing so that amendments might be added to compensate for concerns that might be raised by the committee. ILEAS is faced with opposition by the insurance lobby groups.

Limey Nargelenas is reaching out to them to find out what their objections are. President Beckwith has requested that the Governing Board members attend the hearing on March 6th.

- **ISPERN Report & Purchase** – The quote from Motorola came in higher than expected. The actual estimate is \$1,252,714. There is exactly \$1,254,025 remaining in the Interoperable Communications Equipment Grant. ITTF Don Kauerauf as approve the additional expenditure up to the budgeted amount. Motion made by Swanson and seconded by Hayes to approve the expenditure of no more than \$1,254,025 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. Roll call vote taken: Beckwith – Aye, Snyders – Aye, Scott – Aye, Zaruba – Aye, Williams (voted by Markovic) Aye, Hagen – Aye, Kuchenbecker – Aye, Hayes – Aye, Hires – Aye, Evans – Aye, Sigler – Aye, Gulliford – Aye, Swanson – Aye, Schneider – Aye, Kilby – Aye, Young – Aye. Motion passed 16-0.
- **PRD/Equipment Grant Repurposed for G8/NATO** – ITTF and the ILEAS Board recently authorized a switch of \$434,500 in PRD Equipment fund from FY08 to FY10. ITTF officially voted to suspend the purchase of any more PRD devices. Don Kauerauf suggested that ILEAS hold those funds in case there were any G8/NATO unreimbursed expenses or equipment that was needed. If there are eligible un-reimbursed expenses afterwards, staff will present those issues to the Board after the Summits. It was just announced that the G8 Summit is now being held at Camp David and will now be fewer days than originally thought. Gulliford said that the impact would remain the same.

IECGP Communications Grant Project Authorization – ILEAS has an FY2009 grant entitled Interoperable Communications for \$1,257,159. This grant is administered by the ITTF Communications Committee and the State Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC). These committees have been working on two projects that were previously approved by the Governing Board and are now working on an extension of the TICP project that is ready for Governing Board approval. The extension of the TICP project would be funded by a new grant from the ITTF. Don Kauerauf that there are twenty four counties still without plans (TICP).

Motion made by Kuchenbecker and seconded by Scott to approve the Governing Board to authorize ILEAS staff to enter into a contract with the contractor selected through the RFP process by the SWIC, IEMA and ILEAS, up to \$620,000. The authorization should be contingent upon the receipt of the 2008 grant from the ITTF. Voice voted taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Report on Harrisburg Tornado** – Calvin Stearns gave brief update on the tornado that ripped through Harrisburg IL. Stearns stated that the cooperation between ISP and ILEAS was superb. Jim Page stated that he thought that we are on a much better path for cooperation with ISP. Kilby also stated that he heard nothing but good things.
- **Web Security** – Tyrus and Jim Page are in the process of looking through all current passwords and making sure that those that are not secure enough need to change their passwords. Page stated that there were 175 agencies that had very weak passwords that needed to be changed. Page would also encourage everyone to refrain from posting things to social networks for security purposes. This should all be done by the 15th of March. Kilby related that email

accounts that were forwarding to a PRD have been compromised. Facebook identifiers also provide a backdoor for hackers.

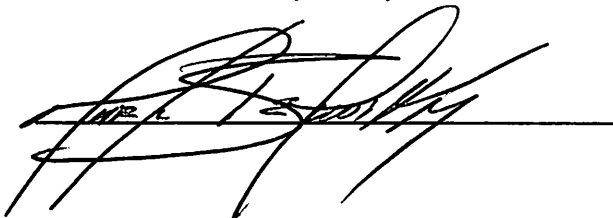
Old Business:

- **Open Meetings Act Training Requirement** – Page stated that there is a problem with the software that will not allow you to get past page 17 and will send out a fix for this that will allow you to proceed.
- **NATO/G8 Status**
 - Gulliford related that the moving of G8 to Camp David does not have a significant impact on the event. The footprint and the venues will remain essentially the same. Venues are being identified at McCormick Place and on the Museum Campus. Federal funding has not been identified for this event.
 - **Agreement Status** – ILEAS Reps and attorneys have met with Chicago city attorneys and are refining an agreement. There is regular, professional negotiations working to resolve the issues in the agreement.
 - **Strategy** – Chicago has requested 350 MFF personnel. ILEAS proposes to send the MFF with Bearcats with SRT operators as drivers to support the MFF teams. TEMS support will also be included.
 - **Media** – All inquiries to ILEAS from the media are being referred to Chicago.
- **NIPAS Mobile Field Force Issue**
 - NIPAS Reps met with the Executive Board. Items discussed include completing the ILEAS validation and adopting a new mission. Twenty-two members have been added from DuPage County. There will be an increase in the budget to support the additional personnel.
 - **OT Survey** – At the January 26, 2012 Board meeting, staff was requested to conduct a survey of the chiefs and sheriffs of special team members in order to learn their preferences about potential overtime reimbursement reductions. ILEAS staff received 103 responses to the 20 question survey. A complete analysis of the responses has not been completed but will be available at the next Board meeting. There are a couple of preliminary results attached to the Board documents. Reducing the OT rate is acceptable per the survey.

New Business: Don Kauerauf stated that 2013 is looking lean.

Adjournment: At 8:52 motion made by Schneider and seconded by Hayes to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

These minutes are respectfully submitted.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Don Kauerauf", written over a horizontal line.