

**ILEAS Board Meeting
January 31, 2013**

Meeting called to order: Board President Larry Evans called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

Attendance was taken:

Chief Larry Evans	Present
Sheriff Dave Snyders	Present
Sheriff Roger Scott	Present
Chief Jeff Swoboda	Absent
Sheriff John Zaruba***	Present DELEGATE Al Angus
Chief Steve Neubauer	Present
Sheriff Mike McCoy	Absent
Chief Robert Williams	Present
Sheriff Derek Hagen	Present
Chief James Kuchenbecker	Present
Sheriff Jim Vazzi	Absent
Chief Richard Miller	Present
Sheriff Andrew Hires	Absent
Chief Todd Sigler ***	Present DELEGATE John Allen
Sheriff Keith Brown	Absent
Chief Eric Smith	Absent
Sheriff Tom Schneider	Present
Deputy Chief Wayne Gulliford	Present
Captain William Smith	Present
Deputy Chief Steve Georgas	Present
Chief Victor Moreno	Absent

Out of 21 Board members 14 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, Jim Luecking, Russ Gentry and Calvin Stearns.

Previous Minutes: Motion made by Schneider and seconded by R. Miller to approve the minutes of December 6, 2012. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Guest Introduction: President Evans suggested that everybody in the room introduce themselves.

Financial:

- **Grant and Fiscal Report** - Jim Page gave a brief overview of our financial status. Motion made by Scott and seconded by Snyders to approve the financial report as presented. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.
- **Attorney Bill** – ILEAS has employed Dick Stites to handle the legal work regarding the ILETSB issue. To date it has cost ILEAS \$26,000 in legal fees. Richard Miller questioned how much more it was going to cost ILEAS and Page stated that the majority of the work has been done and that we were nearing the end.
- **Shovel Ready Proposals** – ILEAS has been able to complete almost all of the requests approved by the Board. Only 2 requests remain unfulfilled – the completion of the ST-53 patriot replacement and the purchase of more PPE. ITTF has asked for proposals for the FY10 remaining funds as they have access to approximately \$1,000,000 in grant funds. Motion made by Schneider and seconded by Georgas to authorize the notification to ITTF that the ST-53 Patriot replacement project and the PPE project are our shovel ready projects. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.
- **Purchase Authorization – St-53/PPE** – This is a repeat of the previous month’s discussion and authorization of the ST-53 Patriot replacements for the WMD SRT teams. This request is to continue to purchase ST-53’s. Even though each individual order made does not exceed the \$100,000 Board authorization limit, the cumulative effect of the ST-53 replacements purchased over the last several months is well over the \$100,000. Motion made by R. Miller and seconded by Schneider to authorize the purchase of ST-53’s as funds become available to complete the Patriot replacement for the WMD Special Response Teams. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.
- **FY 12 Audit Update** – The auditors were here last week and completed the audit with no issues. We should be receiving our preliminary copy as early as today, but will provide the Board members a copy as soon as we get it. It was disclosed to the auditor of the claims that McClain has been making.

Current Issues & Updates for Board:

- **Homeland Security Strategy** – In the last several months IEMA has conducted statewide town hall events entitled Vision 2020. These events brought together regional elected officials, police, fire, citizens, EMA/ESDA, EMS, public health, transportation and others to discuss the state of homeland security after 11 years of post- 9/11 investments and activities. The purpose of these meetings was to establish a new homeland security strategy that will direct funding and set policy for the next ten years. ITTF is requesting that each committee review the strategy and make suggestions for amendments, edits, criticisms and general feedback before it is formally adopted. No one on the Board commented or had any feedback at this time.
- **Exercise in Southern Illinois – Operation Tremor** – This exercise is a follow up to Operation Gun Smoke which took place in Tunica, Mississippi in August of 2012. Gun Smoke was both an EMAC simulation to test how well officers from both states could merge together into a combined mobile field force to respond to civil disorder as well. It also tested the ability of Illinois radios to work in Mississippi using technology and national interoperable frequencies. This is a multi-state

exercise focused on Law Enforcement Strike teams. This will also be a test of how to integrate the Mississippi radios into the Illinois system. Additionally, Illinois needs to test emergency communications support systems such as the SOW, ITECS, etc. This exercise will also test Illinois' ability to do an RSOI site as a **Reception** center instead of an **Onward Integration** center.

- **Sherman First Agency Preparedness Award** – The Agency Preparedness Program is an online program that provides the basic ABC's of preparedness for law enforcement. Sherman Police Department was the first department to receive a certificate for completing the program.
- **School Security Presentation**
 - **Ron Ellis** – Ron oversees all of the campus and school Security training.
 - **Video distribution** – Every school in Illinois and all Police Departments and Sheriffs' offices will be receiving a video on school safety.
 - **LMS Development**
 - **Governor's School Safety Summit** – ILEAS is one of many Agencies involved in the Governor's School Safety Summit on developing resources, rules, changes and information on students.
- **ILEAS Legal Status**
 - **ILETSB** – Page has written up a timeline of all the significant events in ILEAS' history and current events that are being alleged by McClain. (See issues document).
 - **ISA Ex. Meeting** – Tom Schneider stated that he believes that the Illinois Sheriff's Association supports ILEAS. James Kuchenbecker stated that he thinks this issue with ILETSB and Kevin McClain is all about money, power and control.
 - **Governor's 90 day Review** – It was decided that IEMA will respond to the five things that Kevin McClain has issues with in the original letter. IEMA will communicate with McClain to let this issue go. If McClain does not drop this, this could possibly go to court, which would be very costly for ILEAS.
- **New Mutual Aid Agreement** – We are in a holding pattern right now until we get the letter from IEMA.
- **Legislation** - Our bill is dead.

Old Business:

New Business:

- **Election of Executive Board** – 5 positions are up for election this year. Chief James Kuchenbecker was elected to be the Chairman of the nomination committee.
- **I-Clear** – Kuchenbecker asked where we are regarding I Clear. William Smith with the ISP said that he would have an answer for him at the next Board meeting.

Adjournment: At 12:30 motion was made by R. Miller and seconded by Kuchenbecker to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

These minutes are respectfully submitted



Larry Evans
ILEAS Board President