



**ILEAS Board Meeting
March 23, 2006
Crowne Plaza
Springfield, Illinois**

Meeting attendees-

Gary Stryker, Jim Page, Dave Owens, Don Bennett, Jeff Bock, Mark Beckwith, Mike Chamness, Col. Jill Morgenthaler, Roger Heaton, Greg Fowler, Jim Luecking, Doug Edmunds, Jon Brodzik, Roger Scott, Bill Feithen, Terry Knop, Tim Lyerla, 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 Meek

Meeting called to order at 9:00am by President Gary Stryker.

- Reading of the February 2006 minutes. Motion to approve by Dave Owens, 2nd by Jim Kuchenbecker with a voice vote

Treasurer's Report-

- Overview of handout as provided by Don Bennett
- Motion to approve by Mark Beckwith, 2nd by Jim Kuchenbecker carried with a voice vote

Executive Director's Report-

- Overview of report by Jim Page
- 797 member agencies/ 627 Alarm Cards completed compared to March 2005 with 659 members/ 406 Alarm Cards completed
- Work-In-Progress on credentialing
- Lake County's Mobile Command Unit will be delivered March 25, 2006.
- ILEAS "roll call" DVD is now available on the website
- A "public" (used for public presentations) version of the ILEAS DVD is being developed
- 2006 Federal Funding is going to be competitive amongst 49 States and 6 Territories
- Congressional awards have to be made by June 2nd

Introduction of guests-

- Captain Lindsey May, Galesburg P.D.

Legislation-

- No report at this time

Financial-

- M & A support- It appears that the State of Illinois will provide ILEAS with funding
- Chicago ICLEAR- Budget totaling \$760,000 for ICLEAR has been approved by ISP as provided.

- *Motion to authorize Jim Page to enter into a contract with Oracle(?) regarding the Chicago I-CLEAR project made by Jim Kuchenbecker, 2nd by Don Bennett carried with a voice vote*
- Membership Dues – There are 287 member agencies who have not yet paid. “Reminder” letters will be sent to them.
- ITTF Fund “SCRAPE”- ILEAS submitted a list of projects for funding along with submitted projects from IEMA, MABAS, IDNR, IDOT, DuPage County, and the National Guard
- 2006 Grant Status- IL is looking at receiving \$6 million to be competitive
- National Peer Review Committee- Jim Page and Chief Reardon from MABAS have been selected top sit on the National committee

Communications-

- Looking for a replacement for Sheriff Messer (retiring at the end of the year) as chair of the Communications Committee.
 - Chief Jim Kuchenbecker, Washington PD will serve as Chairman
- Pilot program in Ogle County (Sheriff Mel Messer) to have a Star Com radio in every school in the county
- Northwest Dispatch reports that there have been 15 activations to date (1 in Region 1, 1 in Region 11, and 13 in Region 4)
- An ILEAS card Plan activation in Steelville, IL (Region 11) resulted in only 3 agencies out of 12 contacted responded with no-one calling Northwest Dispatch if they were responding or not

Special Response Team (SRT)-

- SOGs are being developed by the Orange County, CA Sheriff’s Department that will be approved as a National standard by the NTOA
- Request by Chief Kuchenbecker to increase the SRT teams from 30 to 35 due to the size of some of the regional areas and staffing availability
 - Discussion regarding the funding of the staffing increase, i.e. equipment, overtime, etc.
 - Jim Page advises that the funding is available for the increase
 - There are some SRT teams that are struggling to reach 25 members
 - *Motion to table the increase of the SRT teams from a staffing level of 30 to 35 made by Dave Owens, 2nd by Bill Feithen carried with a voice vote*
 - *Projected cost of the additional 5 members could be \$22,500 with overtime projected at \$19,000*
- Discussion of hiring firm to conduct a validation process of the SRT teams- further discussion at the next meeting

Nominating Committee-

- No business to report, terms expire in 2007

Legislative Committee-

- Seeking the \$125,000 from the State as a line item on their budget

Mobile Field Force-

- Draft of SOPs nearing completion
- MFF when activated may receive support from the SRT
- Jim Luecking is working on developing the teams

Grants-

- 2005 ILEAS local law enforcement agency grants of \$6,775,000, 88% of the funds have been expended, 90% of the grants have been closed
- 2006 funding is unknown at this time
- University grants have been expended totaling \$200,000

Training-

- "Suicide Bomber" training sponsored by the FBI and DHS will be held in Springfield on March 15th (International Perspectives) from 1300-1500 hours and again on March 29th (Executive Issues) from 1300-1700 hours. See ILEAS website for further details
- "Pandemic" training exercise on May 2-4 in Chicago developed by DHS
- DHS has approved "Mobile Command" training at the State's MTUs this summer
- ISP hosting "Suicide Terrorism" training in Springfield on May 23-24

Car Plan-

- 568 completed alarm cards (March 2005- 406)
- Cook County Sheriff's Police has been divided into North and South. Agencies that have them as a responding agency need to "update" your cards for the appropriate district.
- Peoria now live as an ILEAS dispatch center
- Reminder for agencies to review their cards on a regular basis
- SPECIALIZED RESOURCE listing demonstration by Executive Director Jim Page
 - Member agencies are requested to visit the ILEAS website and enter the special resources that his/her agency has (i.e.: SWAT units, Horse units, K-9, Dive Teams, Thermal Imagers, etc.)
 - This site allows for searching various resources throughout the state and searches can be modified to a specified radius which you identify
- Discussion of developing the Card Plan to mirror the Specialized Resource method, Tyrus will look into this

Annual Conference-

- The 2006 Conference feedback has been very positive
- 307 attendees have paid \$37,000 in registration fees
- 130 delinquent registrants, ILEAS will wait another 30 days before sending out letters to those agencies who have not paid
- The 2007 conference will be held on March 18-20, 2007 at the Crown Plaza, Springfield, IL

Public Transportation-

- Chicago Transit Alert Network will be meeting in latter March

Membership-

- Regional Boards are encouraged to contact those agencies within their region who are not ILEAS members
- Agencies that no longer exist (sheriff now serves the community), please notify the ILEAS office so their name can be removed

Intelligence Sharing-

- STIC has been activated on various recent events
- There are now 18 Terrorist Analysts in STIC

Helicopter-

- Equipment has been bought and paid for except the “flare”

ITERT-

- Intergovernmental agreements (development) are currently under a legal review
- Doug Edmonds reported that in sometime in May ITERT will be seeking members
- ITERT Board of officers (directors) will be using the ILEAS regions to seek prospective members

Old Business-

- President Gary Stryker discussed the “Katrina” pins for those who responded to the Gulf Coast area. Pins will only be provided to those who were deployed.
- Motion to continue with the production of the “Katrina” pins and that they may only be worn by those who were deployed made by Jim Kuchenbecker, 2nd by Kevin Eack carried with a voice vote

New Business-

- Ralph Caldwell gave an overview of the March 12th tornadoes that struck Springfield
- IESMA contract- IESMA has requested that ILEAS handle the IT work for their system for the amount of \$24,050
 - money will help with a part-time employee
 - a server will be purchased and the current one being used (City of Urbana) will be a back-up

Motions to adjourn by Bill Feithen, 2nd by Mark Beckwith with a voice carry

Next meeting will be at the TBD in Springfield, IL;
Executive Board- Wednesday April 26, 2006 {Cancelled}
Board- Thursday April 27, 2006 {Cancelled}

Respectfully Submitted,



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