

# Governing Board Meeting October 28, 2021 2021 @ 1100 1701 E. Main St, Urbana, Illinois 61802

# **Governing Board Meeting**

Meeting called to order

Board President Dave Summer called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Attendance

Chief Todd Murray Absent Sheriff Dave Snyders Present Sheriff Ken Briley Present Chief Dave Summer Present Chief Daniel Vittorio Present Sheriff James Mendrick Absent Sheriff Jack Campbell Absent Chief Ken Winslow Present Sheriff Dustin Heuerman Present Chief Mike Metzler Present Sheriff Rick Robbins Absent Chief Marcos Pulido Present Sheriff Jeff Bullard Present Chief Jason McFarland Present Chief Harold Massie Present

Chief Robert Burns\*\* Present \*\* Kilquist/Delegate

Chief Bradley Potts Present
Sheriff Brian VanVickle Present
Major John W. Price Absent

1st Deputy Supt. Eric Carter Present
Chief Ernest Cato III Present

Out of 21 Board members, 16 members were present with 1 delegate.

**Also in Attendance:** Jim Page, Executive Director, Larry Evans, Chief of Staff, Nancy Crossman, Jan Plotner, Mick McAvoy, Skip Frost, Pete Smith and Calvin Stearns,

- Introductions
  - Introductions were made.
- o Guests
- Addenda to the Agenda

None

## > Approval of Minutes of July 29, 2021

Motion made by *Pulido* and seconded by *Winslow* to approve the minutes of the July 29, 2021 meeting. Voice vote taken. *Motion passed unanimously.* 

#### > Financial

Jan Plotner gave a brief overview of ILEAS' financial reports, including Balance Sheet summary, Business Account summary, Grant reports and Grant Adjustment report.

Motion made by *Vittorio* and seconded by *Bullard* to accept and adopt the ILEAS' financial reports including Balance Sheet summary, Business Account summary, Grant reports and Grant Adjustment report. Voice vote taken. *Motion passed unanimously*.

## o Approval of Business Account Budget for 2022

Motion made by **Masse** and seconded by **McFarland** to approve the business account budget. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.** 

## o Approval of Current Salary Schedule

Motion made by *Metzler* and seconded by *Vittorio* to approve the Salary Schedule as presented. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.** 

## > Current Issues & Updates for Board

### o Chicago PD Mutual Aid

An email sent out by ILEAS took place seeking information about disaster/emergency response status. Someone who received this email leaked it to WGNTV and as a result of that WGN wrote a web article about the City of Chicago's mandatory vaccine policy and an email sent by ILEAS to team commanders seeking information about disaster/emergency response status. ILEAS has never recommended to anyone that suburban or downstate officers be deployed to CPD in response to their potential staffing shortages, Chicago did not request assistance, nor did the State of Illinois. ILEAS staff did what it could to address the misinformation in the media.

### o Retreat

On September 28-29, 2021, four of the Executive officers and the ILEAS senior staff met at the Stoney Creek Inn in East Peoria. The purpose of this retreat was to examine mid-and long term strategic issues. The topics discussed were:

- Marketing
- Funding opportunity ides
- Miscellaneous Issues

## o WMD Special Response Teams vs. Regional SWAT

The focus of homeland security funding is changing completely. There is more emphasis on Domestic Terrorism and protecting soft targets, intelligence and cyber security. As a result, ILEAS senior staff have discussed the potential of dropping one more team reducing the number to four statewide. If ILEAS reduces the number of WMD teams, that funding should not be lost but be redirected. It was decided not to drop a team and find funding to support multi-jurisdictional tactical/SWAT teams throughout the state.

#### o Conference

The decision was made at the retreat to cancel the 2022 conference and start brand new at the IHotel in Champaign, with a new format in 2023. The Crowne Management stated that they would examine whether or not any of our \$12,000 could be refunded.

Motion made by *Heuerman* and seconded by *Snyders* to endorse the decision to cancel 2022 and to start again with a new format in Champaign in 2023. Voice vote taken. *Motion passed unanimously*.

## o Training Center

A proposal for the ILEAS Foundation to acquire a building and lease it to ILEAS is getting some discussion. Director Page is putting together a business plan and written proposal for the Board to consider. There is a building in Champaign that may be a good candidate for ILEAS. Director Page will examine the building with the ILEAS contract Architect, Riley Glerum.

Motion made by **Bullard** and seconded by **Snyders** to authorize the exploration and feasibility of all options of acquiring a new facility or leasing space for ILEAS. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously**.

## o Special Teams Purchasing Requests

This purchasing request is being submitted to the Board as a contingency based on the plan developed to support local teams as discussed. This would complete the capital replacement project, and would ensure that all ILEAS WMD SRT Team members are equipped for a minimum of the next ten years on these particular items. Motion made by *VanVickle* and seconded by *Vittorio* on approval for purchase of 45 LION MT94 protective suits, at a per unit price of \$2,133.00 for a total purchase price not to exceed 100,000 as well as 120 Carbon Fiber SCBA bottles at a per unit price of \$1,214.64, for a total purchase price not to exceed \$150,000. This motion is contingent upon the need for both or either of these items based on other policy decisions. Voice vote taken. *Motion passed unanimously*.

#### > Old Business

Jim Pearson the Region 6 RPC is retiring at the end of December 2021. To date, ILEAS has not gotten any applicants for this position. Jim Episcopo of region 4 would like to move to the region 6 position which will open up region 4 and a replacement for region 4.

- o 2021 Meetings
  - December 9
- o 2022 Meetings
  - January 27
  - March 24
  - May 19

- July 28
- September 22
- December 8

# > Adjournment

Motion made by **Snyders** and seconded by **Briley** to adjourn the meeting at 1:05 p.m. Voice voted taken. **Motion passed unanimously.** 

President Dave Summer