



ILLINOIS LAW ENFORCEMENT ALARM SYSTEM
December 10, 2015 @ 1100
ILEAS Training Center – 1701 E. Main, Urbana, Illinois 61802

Governing Board Meeting

- **Meeting called to order:** Board President Dave Snyders called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.
- **Attendance**

Sheriff Dave Snyders	Present
Chief Steve Neubauer	Present
Sheriff Derek Hagen	Present
Chief Wayne Gulliford	Present
Sheriff Tom Schneider	Present
Chief Todd Murray	Present
Sheriff Dwight Baird	Present
Chief David Summer	Present
Sheriff Mark Curran	Absent
Sheriff Jeff Standard	Present
Chief Duston Sutton	Absent
Sheriff William Rutan	Present
Chief Mike Metzler	Present
Sheriff Neal Rohlfing	Present
Chief Terry Bell	Present
Chief Jeff Ray	Present
Chief Harold Masse	Absent
Sheriff Keith Brown	Absent
Chief Eric Smith	Absent
Lieutenant Tad Williams	Absent
Deputy Chief Steve Georgas	Present

Out of 21 members, 15 Board members were present with 0 delegates.

Also in attendance: ILEAS Executive Director, Jim Page, ILEAS Chief of Staff, Larry Evans, Nancy Crossman, Jim Luecking, Pete Smith, Calvin Stearns, Jan Plotner Mick McAvoy, Michelle Hanneken, Mark Griffeth and Russ Gentry.

- **Introductions**
 - **Guests** - None
- **Public Comments** - None
- **Approval of Minutes of August 27, 2015**

Motion made by Schneider and seconded by Rohlfing to approve the minutes of August 27, 2015.
Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

➤ **Financial**

○ **Grant & Fiscal Report**

Jan Plotner gave a brief overview of ILEAS' Grant and Fiscal status. Motion made by Hagen and seconded by Ray to approve the Grant and Fiscal report. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

○ **Purchase of EOD Equipment**

The Bomb Squads have identified a need for FPX Nex-Ray NANO portable X-ray machines. These are the size of an MDC type laptop. This unit is recommended by the Hazardous Device School in Huntsville, Alabama and according to the FBI is the only one of its kind. They cost \$35,500 each and a total of 9 would be \$319,500. Steve Georgas stated that this technology is currently being used throughout the country. Jim Luecking stated that these can be delivered as soon as June 1, 2016 if we can get a P.O. in today. Motion made by Schneider and seconded by Ray to request the Board to authorize the purchase and distribution of the NANO X-ray machines for the local EOD teams in Illinois. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

○ **Line of Credit Update**

As authorized by the Board, a \$250,000 line of credit with PNC Bank was established. On September 18, 2015, ILEAS accessed the line of credit and borrowed \$55,000 to pay for the Pontoon Beach Command Post vehicle. On October 19, 2015, ILEAS paid back the bank in full. This tactic was intended to establish a positive historical practice of ILEAS paying back loans.

○ **Communications**

On August 17th, ITTF asked that ILEAS pick up the responsibility to finish the FFY14 radio communications grants and to accept the FFY15 grants when they are issued in September since Wauconda Fire no longer wants to be the fiduciary for those grants. The Board voted to accept the unspent FFY14 grants previously issued to Wauconda; to execute an MOU between IEMA, Wauconda and ILEAS to transfer the equipment to ILEAS; and to partner with IEMA to develop an overall interoperable communications plan for Illinois. Motion made by Summer and seconded by Baird to request that the Board accept the FFY14 grants as received from IEMA and direct staff to develop an interoperable communications plan in concert with IEMA for consideration at a later date. Voice vote taken. Motion made unanimously. Motion made by Standard and seconded by Metzler to request that the Board authorize the expenditure of budgeted funds to contract for StarCom21 user fees at an amount not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$354,906. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

➤ **Current Issues & Updates for Board**

○ **Board Secretary Vacancy**

Wayne Gulliford is retiring which creates a vacancy at the Secretary position of the Executive Officers. The Board will have to consider his replacement. Motion made by Schneider and seconded by Rohlfing to appoint Steve Neubauer as Secretary of the Board. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously. Steve Neubauer is currently Sergeant at Arms and has been appointed by the Board to replace Wayne Gulliford as Secretary creating a vacancy in the Sergeant at Arms position. Motion made by Schneider and seconded by Rohlfing to appoint Steve Georgas to replace Steve Neubauer as the Sergeant at Arms. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

○ **Mobile Field Force Standard Operating Guidelines**

At the August 2013 Board meeting the Mobile Field Force SOG's were presented for approval. These SOG's were drafted by Jim Luecking in 2005 and adopted by the team commanders in 2006. The ILEAS Board never officially adopted them but we have been operating with them for the last 9 years. The SOG'S have been updated in 2013 and have been reviewed again over the past 4 months. The team commanders recommended them for approval at their September meeting. Due to the ongoing discussions with the NIPAS MFF they were not approved at that meeting. **Governance:** The major change is the addition of the Governance section. This section as drafted provides for an ILEAS Regional MFF Committee made up of the ILEAS Regional Co-Chairs and 3 Chiefs or Sheriffs whose agencies participate in the Regional MFF.

First Amendment Protection: In October 2013 a First Amendment Protection policy was added to the SOG's to stress the importance of the First Amendment in civil disobedience situations. This is based on US Department of Justice guidance. Motion made by Murray and seconded by Neubauer to request that the Board approve the Mobile Field Force Standard Operating guidelines as proposed. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

○ **Legislation**

ILEAS is working with John Milner to develop four pieces of legislation. 1. Making the Homeland Security Emergency Preparedness Trust Fund a "Continuing Appropriation" 2. Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Omnibus Bill. 3. Funding. 4. Drones. John Milner and Jim Page will discuss all of these bills with the Chiefs Association and the Sheriff's Association prior to any submission. Motion made by Bell and seconded by Rohlfing to request the Board authorize moving forward with these proposed bills under the supervision of the Executive Officers. They must be submitted to the General Assembly prior to the next Board meeting. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

○ **LEMAA Implementation Progress Report**

ILEAS is currently averaging around 1 new LEMMA arriving every other week. As the Board is aware, the original mutual aid agreement is still in effect for each agency that signed it until the agency signs the new one. ILEAS has picked up 3 new agencies throughout this process that were not members under the old agreement. 99% of our priority agencies are completed.

○ **Conference**

ILEAS has been exploring different options for the 2016 conference including canceling the conference for one year, merging with IEMA's conference in September, and hold the conference at the same time as the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police but on a smaller scale. Given all that and after careful and lengthy consideration, staff would like to recommend that ILEAS hold its annual conference on June 12-14, 2016 at the Crowne Plaza in Springfield and focus on communications and technology. Motion made by Bell and seconded by Neubauer to authorize holding the ILEAS annual conference June 12-14, 2016 with a focus on communications and technology and if need be, change the dates to the 13th and 14th. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

○ **Cleveland, Ohio Republican National Convention**

Representatives from ILEAS traveled to Cleveland, Ohio to meet with City and Police officials regarding their request for ILEAS to provide assistance with the Republican National Convention that will occur July 18-21, 2016. There are some legal issues to overcome before we agree to assist.

○ **Technology**

▪ **Cyber Security**

ILEAS has engaged the US Department of Homeland Security National Cybersecurity Assessment and Technical Services (NCATS) out of a valid concern regarding cyber-security. DHS is examining the ILEAS network infrastructure. They are running a weekly scan on our external network address scheme to determine any vulnerability that we might have with our outside facing devices. This is just the first step of a progressively more detailed examination of our system with regard to cyber-security.

▪ **IT Upgrades**

ILEAS is upgrading its information technology along with the cyber-security work.

▪ **New Website**

○ **SEOC Activity Reports**

The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) has monthly training and planning sessions for all its Liaisons. The ILEAS SEOC Liaisons are Russ Gentry, Dave Fellows and Jerry Whitmore with Randy Wilson as an alternate who attend those training sessions. Each agency represented is required to submit a report of their activity during the previous month. Going forward, the activity report will be a regular part of the monthly issues document so that Board members have a better perspective on the types of activities that the regional Planning coordinators and the special teams routinely undertake.

➤ **Old Business**

➤ **New Business**

Self-deployment – Pete Smith stated that Jim Page is sending out a reminder document of what protocol is and that it needs to be followed in regards to self-deployment and the legal issues that come with it.

➤ **Adjournment**

At 12:57 motion made by Schneider and seconded by Ray to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

These minutes were respectfully submitted.



Dave Snyders
President