



**Governing Board Meeting\***  
**May 28, 2020 @ 1100**  
**ILEAS Training Center/Virtual Meeting**  
**1701 E. Main St, Urbana, Illinois 61802**

**Governing Board Meeting**

➤ **Meeting called to order**

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

➤ **Attendance/Virtual**

Sheriff Dave Snyders/President	Present
Chief David Summer/Secretary	Present
Chief Mike Metzler/Vice President	Present
Chief Sean Reynolds/Sgt. at Arms	Present
Sheriff Brian VanVickle/Treasurer	Present
Chief Todd Murray	Present
Sheriff Dwight Baird	Present
Chief Bill Kushner	Present
Sheriff James Mendrick**	Present Bilodeau/Delegate
Sheriff Jeff Standard	Present
Chief Ken Winslow	Absent
Sheriff Jeff Lower	Absent
Sheriff Rick Robbins	Absent
Lieutenant Chris Conrad	Present
Sheriff Andrew Hires	Present
Chief Harold Masse	Absent
Sheriff Robert Burns**	Present Kilquist/Delegate
Chief Bradley Potts	Present
ISP Mark Peyton	Absent
Deputy Chief Eric Carter	Absent
Commander Sean Loughran	Present

Out of 21 members 15 members by phone or present with 2 delegates.

**Also in attendance:** Jim Page, Executive Director, Larry Evans, Chief of Staff, Nancy Crossman, Jan Plotner, Skip Frost and Mick McAvoy.

Calvin Stearns, Pete Smith and Jim Episcopo were present via phone.

○ **Introductions & Guests**

➤ **Discussion of Legal Authority to Hold Virtual Meeting**

This Board meeting is being conducted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act as modified by Governor Pritzker's Executive 2020-7.

➤ **Public Comments**

➤ **Approval of Minutes of March 26, 2020 Meeting**

Motion made by **Bilodeau** and seconded by **Kushner** to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2020 Board meeting. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.**

➤ **Financial**

○ **Fiscal Reports**

Jan Plotner gave a brief overview of ILEAS' financial reports, including Balance Sheet summary, Business Account summary, Grant Reports, Grant Adjustment report and Line of credit expansion. Motion made by **Sumner** and seconded by **Reynolds** 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.**

▪ **Line of Credit Expansion**

ILEAS has had a \$250,000 line of credit for the last few years. This line of credit was to establish a good credit rating and preserve cash flow for major purchases due to the State's inability to quickly process reimbursements. With the increase in State Preparedness grant funds available to ILEAS the cash flow has worsened. Because of the recent purchase of two Bearcats, ILEAS will have to come up with \$700,000 at one time to pick them up. PNC, ILEAS's primary bank has offered an increase in our Line of Credit from \$250,000 to \$800,000 with an approximate 1% lesser interest rate than we are currently paying. (See preliminary memorandum in the packet). This increase will get us by the Comptroller "lapse period" (July through September) and the Bearcat purchase. It will be reviewed by the bank and the Governing Board a year from now.

▪ **Proposal to Reconfigure the State/Federal Grant Balance**

A proposal that ILEAS and MABAS are making which outlines a change of strategies for grant distribution will take place at the ITTF Council of Chairs meeting May 27<sup>th</sup>. See issues document for the motion.

**9/11 License Plate Grant**

ILEAS staff accepted a grant for \$150,000 from the 9/11 License Plate fund. These grant funds needed to be spent nearly immediately. As a result, ILEAS requested, and was approved, to apply the 9/11 funds to purchases that were already underway where we planned to use federal Funds. See issues document for the purchases that were switched from Federal to State grants and one new purchase. Motion made by **Potts** and seconded by **Kushner** to approve the acceptance of the grant and the budget modifications as described. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.**

➤ **Current Issues & Updates for Board**

○ **COVID19 Emergency Update**

**SEOC Staffing**

The SEOC is operating largely in a virtual environment.

**Training Center**

So far, at least 30+ events have been cancelled based on the ILETSB funding issue and COVID19. Everything through the end of May has been cancelled.

**Teams**

Teams have been issued additional PPE. Training/exercises have not been occurring. All teams remain in standby mode for deployment if necessary.

**Joint Operation Command**

Statewide law enforcement activities with regard to COVID19 are being coordinated through the Law Enforcement Joint Operation Command (JOC). The JOC also has representatives from Corrections, etc. It also interfaced with the LE reps in the SEOC. The JOC created and supervises the Law Enforcement Support Centers. See issues document.

### **Law Enforcement Support Centers**

There are three Law Enforcement Support Centers (LESC) established to assist agencies more directly. These centers are staffed by ISP Command Officers and ILEAS RPCs. They also have National Guard and Corrections contacts. See issues document to see representatives at all of the LESCs.

### **Info to Agencies**

There is a lot of information about COVID19 issues, procedures, guidelines, executive orders, links and many documents available to law enforcement on their ILEAS web page. It is updated daily. If the ISP Director announces any new policy or document during his weekly conference calls, ILEAS will post it almost immediately. The membership will be surveyed when this is over.

#### o **Bearcat Purchase**

##### **Two Bearcats**

Two Bearcats were ordered on 3/26/20. The vendor, LENCO, guaranteed a completion date before August 30. At the time of the order, August 31 was the expiration date of the Federal FY18 grant paying for the Bearcats. However, since then, that grant has been extended to December 31, 2020; therefore, there should be no problem receiving the vehicles in time.

##### **Third Bearcat**

At this point, the same situation has presented itself as it did in March. Given the Governor's recent extension of the stay at home order, ILEAS team will not train or exercise through the end of the fiscal year in June. As a result, there has been no (or very little) draws on overtime/backfill, instructor salaries, travel, rentals, lodging, etc. We now have enough in the Federal FY18 grant to buy a third Bearcat. The difference is that the third Bearcat cannot be delivered for one year. If we ordered it today, it would not come until May of 2021. ILEAS has a motion that will be considered at the May 27th ITTF Council of Chairs to consolidate these lines and to get the grant extended until June of 2021. See issues document for ILEAS proposed combining of line items into the equipment line. ITTF approved the transfer of money to buy a 3<sup>rd</sup> Bearcat.

##### **NIPAS Bear**

NIPAS Special Response Team has used their own funds (non-grant) to order a replacement Bearcat. The new Bearcat will replace their full-sized Bear (original larger version of the Bearcat) which is many years old. In doing so, they severely diminished their current non-grant budget. ILEAS has \$189,000 remaining in the budget in 18UAILESRT. NIPAS leadership and ILEAS have discussed the following:

IF ILEAS purchases for NIPAS up to \$100,000 in other equipment paid out of the Federal FY18 UASI grant,  
then NIPAS will work with ILEAS to transfer their Bear to another standing SWAT team in Illinois.

Currently, ILEAS has \$189,000 in the equipment line of the Federal FY18 UASI grant so this is easily doable.

##### **Replacement Strategy**

When the two new Bearcats arrive in August, one will be assigned to WMD Special Response Team region 9/11. The other will be assigned to WMD Special Response Team Region 6/7. Region 9/11 will retain their current Bearcat. The 9/11 area is so big, that the mileage on their current Bear is getting high. Adding a shared Bearcat to the three Regions will lessen that mileage build up which will lengthen its useful life.

The Region 6/7 Bearcat, however, will be surplus. At approximately the same time, the Bear from NIPAS will be available to reassign. The plan, at this point, is to:

announce the availability of the Bear and the Bearcat  
open up an application process

assemble a committee of team commanders, ILEAS staff and NIPAS representatives to review and make selections of where these two vehicles will go

Priority will be for teams that are:

Multi-jurisdictional and long standing in nature

Do not currently have armor

Will, when possible, agree to maintain it and deploy it to requests for mutual aid where armor is necessary.

If the third Bearcat is approved, it will arrive in May/June of 2021. A similar process will be undertaken to re-assign that vehicle when it is available.

Motion made by **Baird** and seconded by **Conrad** to authorize staff to acquire a third bearcat for capital replacement at a cost not to exceed \$312,000 as described above Voice vote taken.

**Motion passed unanimously.** Motion made by **Loughran** and seconded by **Summer** to redistribute the surplus Bearcat and the NPAS Bear as described above. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.**

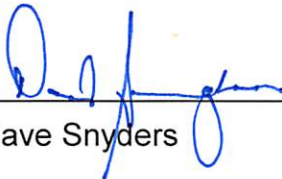
➤ **Old Business**

➤ **New Business**

- **Next Meeting July 23, 2020 – ILEAS Training Center**

➤ **Adjournment**

Motion made by **Bilodeau** and seconded by **Conrad** to adjourn the meeting at 11:42 a.m. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.**



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Dave Snyder

\*-Public Notice This meeting being held virtually in compliance with the Illinois **Governor's Executive Order 2020-33**. **Members of general public that want to call in to listen should reach out to [jrp@ileas.org](mailto:jrp@ileas.org) for that information.**