



**Governing Board Meeting
March 30, 2026, 12:00 P.M.
Crowne Plaza Hotel, 3000 South
Dirksen Parkway, Plaza A
Springfield Illinois**

Governing Board Meeting

○ **Meeting called to order**

Vice President Daniel Vittorio called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

○ **Attendance**

Chief Duane DeVries	Absent
Superintendent Larry Snelling	Absent
Chief Ed Roncone	Present
Sheriff Brian VanVickle	Present
Major Don Orseno**	Present**Chiappini/Delegate
Sheriff Steve Stovall	Present
Chief Todd Stockburger	Absent
Chief Nick Sikora	Present
Sheriff Ken Briley	Absent
Chief Daniel Vittorio	Present
Sheriff James Mendrick	Absent
Sheriff Paul Gann	Absent
Chief Derek Watts	Present
Chief Dave Smysor	Absent
Sheriff Mark Vogelzang	Present
Chief Jarrett Ford	Absent
Sheriff Jeff C. Connor**	Present**Hernandez/Delegate
Chief Robert Brands	Present
Sheriff Trenton Masterson	Present
Chief Harold Masse	Present
Sheriff Jeff Diederich	Present

Out of 21 Board Members, 13 members were present including 2 delegates.

Also in Attendance:

Larry Evans, Bryant Seraphin, Janet Plotner, Mick McAvoy, Skip Frost, Calvin Stearns, Tom Gallahue, Randy Olsberg, Scott Allen, Chris Miller and John Konopek.

- **Introductions & Guests**

There were no guests.

- **Addenda to the Agenda**

None

- **Public Comments**

None

- **Appointment of ILEAS Governing Board Officers**

Motion made by VanVickle and seconded by Diederich to approve Sheriff Mark Vogelzang as Vice President and Chief Derek Watts as Sergeant At Arms. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.**

- **Approval of Minutes**

Motion made by Masse and seconded by Vogelzang to approve minutes of the December 11, 2025 Board meeting. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.**

- **Financial**

- **Fiscal Report, Business Account Report and Grant Change Report**

- Janet Plotner gave a brief overview of ILEAS' financial reports, including Balance sheet summary, Business account summary, Grant reports and the Grant Change report. Included in the Grant Report was the addition of the 26911 ILEAS Grant of \$85,000.
 - Motion made by **Watts** and seconded by **Stovall** to accept and adopt ILEAS' Balance sheet summary, Business account Report, Grant Reports and the Grant Change report. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.**

- **CURRENT ISSUES & UPDATES FOR THE BOARD**

- **FY 25 Homeland Security Grant Budget Discussion**

- The financial pressure being felt by ILEAS and all of the other committees and members of the Homeland Security Advisory Council (HSAC) continues to grow. To re-cap from our last meeting in December, the federal government had reduced Illinois Homeland Security Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to include UASI, from a normal \$72 million to \$44 million, down approximately \$28 million. After scrambling to meet this huge adjustment, an on-time budget application was submitted for review. Then in September, we were notified that without prior warning, the feds had proactively reduced Illinois' award an additional \$30.3 million to a final total of **\$13,758,579.**

(\$71,900,797 - \$13,758,579 = \$58,142,218 cut).

Finance had previously worked with IEMA-OHS to draw down sufficient funds to allow for staff to continue working thru September. Div. of Preparedness and Grant Admin. Bob Evans and the rest of the IEMA-OHS grant and finance staff are very aware of ours, and many other organizations needs. They are currently working with FEMA in order to get funds remaining from FY 22,23 and 24 released to help catch up on pending bills and needs. The recent government shut downs do not help with that. Even with those funds released, they do not necessarily represent an amount of money that makes long term operation possible. We need a quick decision by the courts for FY 25. This takes overall finances to July 1, 2027. It is this present uncertainty about amount and funding source that has created the introduction of HB 4144 to allow ILEAS and MABAS to work with IEMA-OHS to dictate an annual allocation of mutual aid funding that is equal to the difference between what is needed and what the federal government awards for any grant period. No action required.

- **House Appropriations Committee Meeting – HB 4144**

Director Evans updated the Board on the recent Illinois House Appropriations-Public Safety and Infrastructure Committee hearing regarding House Bill 4144 at the Capital in Springfield. No action required.

- **Updated MFF Truck Costs**

Motion made by VanVickle and seconded by Vogelzang to approve the purchase of two Mobile Field Force box trucks from LDV at a total cost not to exceed **\$405,000**. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.**

- **Lease Agreement with Champaign County Regional Planning Commission**

Motion made by Masse and seconded by Brands to approve the Lease and the Use Agreement with the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission for the use of office and classroom space at the ILEAS Training Center. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.**

- **ICJIA Less Lethal Alternatives for Law Enforcement Grant Update**

Director Evans updated the Board on the status of the current grant and of future funding of the program. No action required.

- **NARCAN Grant Update**

Motion made by Brands and seconded by Masse to approve the NARCAN grant program Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department of Public Health. Voice vote taken. **Motion passed unanimously.**

- **New Business**

- **2026 Governing Board Meeting Dates**

- Next Board Meeting dates: June 25, August 27, October 29 and December 10.

- **Adjournment**

- Motion made by Vogelzang and seconded by Stovall** to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 p.m. Voice vote taken. ***Motion passed unanimously.***
