



# IAFC – GREAT LAKES DIVISION

## BOARD MEETING AGENDA AND MINUTES

August 26, 2009 – 1200 hours

FRI – Dallas, TX

Room - TBA

1. Call meeting to order & Roll Call

Meeting called to order by Chief Clemmensen at 12:15 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Introductions

Chief Clemmensen introduced Chief Jim Peterson, from Michigan. He will be the incoming Vice President. 10 non-board members were also present. Ohio Chiefs invited the GLD Board to the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary State Conference July 17-21, 2010.

4. Acceptance/Additions to the Agenda

Motion to accept agenda by Chief Skeldon, seconded by Chief Mund, motion carried.

5. Accept previous minutes

- a. June 26<sup>th</sup> – Wisconsin Dells

Motion to accept agenda by Chief De Loach, seconded by Chief Mund, motion carried.

6. Treasurer's report – *Jeff Roemer*

| a. Membership report – | <u>2009</u> | <u>2007</u> |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Illinois               | 651         | 694         |
| Ohio                   | 592         | 603         |
| Michigan               | 319         | 332         |
| Wisconsin              | 252         | 251         |
| Minnesota              | 176         | 221         |
| Indiana                | <u>150</u>  | <u>186</u>  |
| TOTAL                  | 2140        | 2314        |

b. Financial – Chief Roemer distributed a balance sheet and previous year profit and loss comparison sheet. The 2009 and 2010 budgets were also passed out for review.

c. Audit – Audit results were given to the board at the June 26<sup>th</sup> 2009 meeting.

2008 taxes have also been completed.

Motion to approve Secretary-Treasurer's report by Chief Macko, seconded by Chief Kluck. Motion carried. Motion to approve the 2009 budget by Chief Zikmund, seconded by Chief De Loach, motion carried. Motion to approve the 2010 budget by Chief De Loach, seconded by Chief Kluck, motion carried.

Motion to direct the Sec./Treas. to explore the preparation of a plan to invest up to \$40,000 in the market by Chief Zikmund, seconded Chief Skeldon, motion carried.

Direction to put money into a money market in the short term. Return info immediately to the executive committee. Secretary to contact Robert Duke for an investment policy.

Chief Clemmensen recommended that annual internal audits continue in November this year.

7. Director's report – *Kenn Taylor*

Chief Taylor stated that conference registration was actually up this year. The IAFC has made several cuts in their budget, many of which have come as recommendations from staff.

Near miss program is going well

The IAFC has agreed to support “Major Cities” on the broadband digital project to go after stimulus funds to promote interoperable radio systems.

Inter. Assoc. of Emer. Man. gave a presentation on emergency management to the IAFC board.

IAFC discussed committee meetings and the need for their meetings to take place at FRI every year.

There was a discussion of how far EMAC has come along with mutual aid throughout the states.

A position paper was adopted on nuisance fire alarms. The alarm companies realize that 98% of alarms are false.

Reaffirmed support for National Safe Place for teens that are in trouble.

A group of 6 from IAFC will come around to all of the luncheons to give a quick presentation.

Mark Light's title has been changed to Executive Director – CEO

Marketing people will be talking to the Great Lakes Board for marketing next year's conference.

8. President's report – *Hank Clemmensen*

Chief Clemmensen thanked the board for their support and assistance over the last 4 years. He also asked for continued support on his campaign for second vice president of IAFC.

9. Old Business

a. FRI – Dallas 09

- Chief Grorud Gift – 2:30pm – 2:45pm (A108-109)
- Lunch meeting agenda (*Swearing in of Nyle, Jim Peterson, Jeff Macko*)
- Hospitality room

b. MAMA-C Update – *Hank Clemmensen/Jay Reardon*  
Should have more to report at next meeting.

- c. FRGPO Update – *Bill Mund*  
Crosby Grindle gave a short presentation on the GPO. The leadership message is now available on the daily dispatcher. Checks will now be sent out to all GLD state reps for distribution.
- d. Book Store Update – *Jeff Roemer* – Anticipating \$4,000 revenue for 2009 and \$5,000 for 2010. Crosby Grindle presented some updates on the bookstore. Checks will now be sent out to all GLD state reps for distribution. There was also renewed discussion about setting up a Great Lakes Book Store page.
- e. GLD E-Trumpet – *Jeff Roemer* – Preconference release was sent out. There will also be a December release. Send any potential articles as soon as possible. It was recommended that it be sent out in a .pdf format.
- f. GLD Clothing Marketing Update – *Nyle Zikmund*  
Chief Zikmund will add several additional items to the collection available.
- g. Midwest Haz-Mat Conference Update - *Hank Clemmensen*  
Will be continuing with full IAFC support.
- h. HCSA Status – *Nyle Zikmund*  
Chief Zikmund has had conversations with Ken LaSala regarding IAFC support and he has agreed to support it. He also discussed the IAFF HELPS program.

10. New Business

- a. Derek Bergsten appointment to Elections Committee
- b. FRI – Chicago 2010  
Chief Roemer discussed the possible need to change hotels in Chicago. The board directed Chief Roemer to review the options, including having discussions with other divisions regarding hospitality rooms.
- c. CFSI 2010/Forum 2010/State Presidents Round Table 2010 - *Hank Clemmensen*
- d. Color Guard Competition - *Nyle Zikmund*  
  
Chief Perlmen presented a proposal to have the GLD support and honor guard competition.
- e. Travel Stipend for Chuck Burkell, NFA Program Coordinator, Australian Fire Authorities Council Executive Leadership Forum. - *Nyle Zikmund*  
Chief Zikmund stated that it was the best leadership training he has ever participated in. He requested that an exchange program with the National Fire Academy be set up. Chief Zikmund brought up the idea that the GLD become an advocate for this program and sponsor a travel stipend for Chuck Burkell to attend the program and work out an exchange program.  
  
Motion by Chief DeLoach to sponsor a NFA superintendent or designee to be a visiting fellow for an amount not to exceed \$3,000, seconded by Chief Skelton. Motion carried.
- f. Robert Bettenhausen retirement from Tinley Park, Illinois – *Hank Clemmensen*

11. Good of the Order

Chief Mund would like to pursue the Great Lakes resources to assist them with the Can-Am Police and Fire Games.

Chief Skeldon reiterated inviting the GLD to the 100 year anniversary for the Ohio State Chiefs.

Motion by Chief Schabbel, seconded by Chief Macko to support and help promote the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Great Lakes Fire Department Honor Guard Competition.

12. Next Meeting date

Chief Zikmund brought up a discussion regarding how often the board should meet and where and when. FRI and CFSI were discussed as the 2 meetings per year. CFSI expenses would be paid and travel expenses would be paid for FRI. The CFSI date for the next board meeting would be Tuesday, April 27, 2010.

Motion made by Chief Skeldon, seconded by Chief Macko to adjourn. Motion carried at 3:50 p.m.