



GLD Board Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2010 at 1000 to 1500 hours

Lunch Break at 12:00

Swissotel Room 311

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chief Zikmund at 10:01 a.m.

Introductions were given.

2. Additions/Changes/Accept Agenda

Chief Roemer requested 5e be added to include a membership report from him.

Chief Roemer requested FRI 2011 and Executive Director discussion be added to old business.

Chief Skeldon requested to add a report on the challenge coin under strategic plan

Chief Grorud gave thanks to the Board and gave a few comments on the past several years. There was also some general discussion regarding yesterday's IAFC Board meeting the last two days.

3. Approval of previous minutes

Motion to approve by Chief Mund, seconded by Chief Skeldon. Motion carried.

4. Introduction of new board members

- a. Illinois Chief John Mayer gave a brief background and will be on for 1 year.

5. Secretary/Treasurer Report - Roemer

- a. Financial Report

Chief Roemer distributed a balance sheet with previous year comparison

- b. Audit Report

An audit committee was formed by Chief Zikmund

- c. E-Trumpet

Chief Roemer reported that the third edition this year will go out after FRI and will contain the annual meeting minutes per our by-laws.

d. Investment Funds Report

Chief Roemer distributed a portfolio summary. The investment return since the fund was started in April is -0.84, which has been outperforming the national benchmarks.

e. Membership Report

Chief Roemer distributed a membership report which shows that we are right in line with the IAFC overall and have improved from the 9% drop in 2009.

Motion by Chief Kluck, seconded by Chief Peterson to approve. Motion carried.

6. International Directors Report – Taylor

Chief Taylor reported

- That there are 199 first year company officers class at this conference.
- Overall membership down by 500, but conference attendance up by 300.
- Section task force report was accepted by the IAFC Board. This included accepting the recommendations.
- NIST study was discussed and there has been an effort to meet with ICMA.
- Safety discussion will take place with NFPA.
- A Partnership with GM and On-Star has been started.
- IAFC National Programs has received 1.75 million for IMAS System.
- Lifetime membership is being looked at with the possibility of extending it from 10 -20 years.
- NFPA Vs. ICC issues.
- Exec. Director was given the go ahead to work out a partnership with Fire Chief and Fire Rescue Magazines.
- Formally adopted rules of engagement for /Safety and Health Committee.
- ESCI has been doing well. Up 51%.
- LAFD Captain reviewed a program called ready responder dealing with prepping your personnel for disaster. Ready.gov/responder

Motion by Chief Skeldon, seconded by Chief Mund to approve Director's report. Motion carried.

7. Presidents Report – Zikmund

Chief Zikmund reported that:

- Chief John Grady was added to Constitution and By-Laws Committee.
- There have been some issues with the GLD clothing web site. Chief Roemer is now in the process of setting up our logo and web site with Lands End.

Motion by Chief Mayer, seconded by Chief Mund to accept the President's report. Motion carried.

8. Vice Presidents Report – Peterson

Chief Peterson reported

- Discussion regarding blue card classes

Motion to approve VP's report by Chief Kluck, seconded by Chief Mund. Motion carried.

9. Fire Rescue GPO Report – Mund

Chief Mund reported

- GPO meeting will be held during this FRI.
- Sprint still the number one money maker and will be discussing the potential at the annual meeting.

Motion by Chief Holland, seconded by Chief Taylor to approve the GPO report. Motion carried.

10. State Directors Report –

Chief Schabbel for Indiana reported that their conference just finished and it went well. There is a significant State election coming up this fall.

Chief Mund from Minnesota reported that budgets are being cut back throughout the State.

To be a full time firefighter in Minnesota after July 1, 2011, you must be licensed in the State as a firefighter. The criteria for licensure have not been completed yet.

Conference will be in October in Rochester.

Chief Skeldon from Ohio, reported that their 100 year anniversary conference went well.

They have a strong commitment to education in the State and are completing Officer training throughout the State.

Chief Kluck from Wisconsin reported on their conference and how well the IAFC-GLD membership booth went.

Discussed the State Fire Training Center and the number of programs being held there.

Chief Holland, from Michigan stated that they had a millage vote to retain police and firefighters and it passed 4 – 1.

Chief Kluck set up an IAFC-GLD booth at the Michigan Chiefs Conference and it went over well.

Departments are interested in getting involved in the blue car program, but departments are struggling to find the funds to attend.

Michigan departments are starting to work on developing IMT's.

There was a discussion regarding GLD attendance at State Chief's Conferences.

Some areas have started looking at campus fire safety

Discussion state wide concerning IFSAC training getting recognized.

Chief Mayer, from Illinois, stated their conference is in October.

Promotional testing laws recently changed in this last year.

Firefighter certifications have changed to basic and advanced firefighters.

11. Old Business

- a. **Strategic Plan** – Chief Zikmund reviewed the strategic plan information and adjusted the deadlines. Chief Holland moved, seconded by Chief Kluck to add a 2C under goal 1, to build a Power Point presentation on IAFC-GLD. Chief Holland, Roemer and Mund will work on the presentation.

Chief Skeldon passed out information on challenge coins and gave the board several options. Motion by Chief Taylor, seconded by Chief Mund to purchase 1000 challenge coins. Motion carried.

- b. **Blue Card: - ACTION ITEM** - Taylor moves that the GLD endorses The Blue Card Hazard Zone Management System as the recommended practice for managing NIMS type 4 & 5 incidents. Second by Schabbel. Motion approved.

- c. **Honor Guard Competition: Report Only**

Honor Guard: INFORMATION from Chief Ken Prillaman

I have continued to move the ball forward on the GLD Honor Guard competition. I have recruited Brent Jones, an 8 year veteran with the Milwaukee WI Fire Department. Brent is the Commander for the MFD Honor Guard, he is the Commander for the WI State Firefighters Memorial Honor Guard and is a Sector Commander, and possibly the next Deputy Commander for the IAFF Fallen Firefighter Memorial Honor Guard in Colorado Springs.

Brent has been placed in charge of Rules and Judging. He and I have been reviewing a draft of the competition rules and score sheets. Brent will also be instrumental in developing the pool of judges.

The next role that I intend to fill is a Logistics Chief role who will work with the facility in Green Bay. My intention is to reach out to Chief Roemer and appoint someone local to assist. It is my understanding, through Brent Jones, that Green Bay has a state Honor Guard rep on their department as well who might be a good choice.

Once we begin to work out some more of the logistics we will have an updated budget. I am hopeful that we will have the updated budget along with some marketing material ready for the GLD board meeting in Chicago in August. I would like to begin to promote the event following the GLD board meeting in August.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Chief Kenneth T. Prillaman

d. **FRI 2011**

Chief Roemer visited Atlanta and a decision was made to pick the Omni as the division block for 2011.

Executive Director discussion

Motion by Chief Schabbel, seconded by Chief Holland to have the secretary put together a complete proposal to provide for a executive director position.

12. **New Business**

a. **Executive Edge – ACTION ITEM**

Mary Beth Michos has requested we consider funding an individual to attend the Executive Edge program which will be offered during FRI. We can allocate whatever funding we choose. An Executive edge sponsorship costs \$775. Direction was given to develop a policy for this funding.

b. **Boy Scouts of America – ACTION ITEM – Chief Tim Schabbel Item**

Motion by Schabbel, second by Skeldon to resolve that the GLD Board support, promote and advocate the “Get Fired Up Over Scouting” program and partner with your local scout troop during fire prevention week.

Chief Kruzan from Indiana Fire Chiefs gave a presentation on the program.

c. **Campus Fire Safety – ACTION ITEM – Chief Zikmund**

Motion by Zikmund, second by Mund that the GLD supports the Campus Fire Safety Program and will endeavor to assist in getting the word out. Motion carried.

d. **GLD State Fire Chiefs Executive Directors Group – Chief Schabbel**

Motion by Schabbel, second by Zikmund to support and advocate for the creation of a GLD State Fire Chiefs Association Executive Directors Group. Terry Rake, the Indiana Fire Chief Executive Director talked about meeting and getting together with GLD Executive Director’s at this conference. Motion approved.

e. 2010/2011 Meeting Schedule

- i. November/December Conference Call – November 30, 2010 – 1:00 p.m. central time
- ii. February/March 2011 Conference Call – March 1, 2010 - 1:00 p.m. central time.
- iii. CFSI & Board Meeting – April 5, 2010
- iv. July/August Conference Call

f. Audit Committee

Chief Zikmund, Peterson and Mund will make up the audit committee. Chief Roemer will send the accountant copy to them.

13. Annual Meeting Items

The Board reviewed and discussed the items needed on the annual meeting agenda.

14. Good of the Order

Chief Kluck asked the Board how they feel about their executive Director positions.

Chief Taylor asked the secretary to follow up on the staff luncheons to find out what has happened.

Chief Taylor also brought up Blue Card training equipment package and how we could put something together to get it out to members.

15. Adjourn

Motion by Chief Kluck, seconded by all Chief's to adjourn at 3:10 p.m.