

# WILEAG Governing Board Meeting Minutes

# September 27, 2021

The dual format in-person and virtual meeting via Zoom, was called to order at 1002 hours by President Mark Ferguson.

Present: Ferguson, Rosch, Christopherson, Peterson, Ballistrieri, Pederson, Kopp, Grill, Hingiss, Cole, and Zillavy

Excused: Stojkovic, Nasci, Braun, Nimmer, and Palmer

Others: Katie Wrightsman, Steve Wagner, and Lara Vendola-Messer.

The minutes from the August 27, 2021 meeting were sent in advance of the meeting. After review, the meeting minutes of the August 27, 2021 were approved on a unanimous voice vote following a motion by Hingiss, seconded by Cole.

#### Standing and Ad-hoc Committee Reports

- Training Committee- Ballistrieri reported that filming of the Temporary Detention segment was recently completed and will be available soon. For planning purposes, he advised that CVMIC facilities will only be available to host WILEAG training on Wednesdays and Thursdays for 2022.
- **Process Committee** Ferguson reports that final proofing of the 6<sup>th</sup> Edition Accreditation Standards and corresponding 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition CORE Verification Standards have been completed. The review resulted in a few minor updates and the finished products along with the ACRs will be distributed to members and placed on WILEAG's webpage.
- Outreach Committee Nothing to report.
- Large Agency Committee The accreditation point of contact for Milwaukee PD has recently retired. Wrightsman will reach out to the agency to obtain new contact information. Ferguson will also make contact with the new chief once a selection is made.

### **OFFICER'S REPORTS**

- President's Report Nothing to report.
- Vice President's Report Nothing to report.
- Treasurer's Report Rosch provided and reviewed the financial reports that he compiled with Board members. Rosch reported a current balance of \$60,983.07. No concerns were expressed by the Executive Board who had reviewed the detailed report in advance of the meeting. Following discussion and review, a motion was made by Pederson, seconded by Peterson and passed on a unanimous voice vote to accept the Financial Reports. Rosch will also be compiling a draft 2022 budget for review at the November 12, 2021 Board meeting.
- Secretary's Report Nothing to report.

<u>Staff Report</u>- Wrightsman reviewed the Executive Director report that was provided to the Board in advance of the meeting. She thankfully reported that all assessor and team leader vacancies for 2021 on-sites have been fully staffed. Lastly, she reports that Captain Eugene Neyhart has agreed to continue his role as assessor for 911 communications centers needing certification in 2022.

## **Old and Unfinished Business**

**Update on Use of Force Credentialing Program** – Ferguson reports that virtual meetings with the COPS Office have moved to a monthly format. Agencies overseeing credentialling programs were surveyed by the COPS Office regarding how they incorporated the federal requirements into their state programs. Based on the results, WILEAG has been very progressive and is clearly a leader in the field of law enforcement accreditation.

#### **New Business**

**Board Member Practices/Procedures Questions** – Pederson provided an update from Training and Standards regarding proposed new procedures for High-Risk Vehicle Contacts. Videos that demonstrate the tactics can be found on WILENET in the Patrol Procedures section. Any agency who has questions or would like a local presentation on the tactics should contact Training and Standards.

<u>Final On-Site Report</u>- The Board recognizes that authoring the final on-site report constitutes a lot of work for the accreditation team leader. In an effort to streamline the process, Ferguson drafted a final on-site report template. The document took into consideration key elements identified by the Board who were surveyed for their input. Following discussion and review,  $\alpha$ 

motion was made by Hingiss, seconded by Ballistrieri and passed on a unanimous voice vote to accept the Final On-site Report template.

<u>Whitewater PD Accreditation Presentation</u> — Chief Aaron Raap, Captain Adam Vander Steeg and Support Service Manager Sabrina Ojibway were present representing the department. Ferguson recapped significant highlights from the agency on-site and informed them of the Board's decision to grant reaccreditation status effective August 27, 2021. Chief Raap was advised as to the timing of the formal award presentation at the WPLF Winter Conference in February and that a local presentation could be made if requested.

<u>Brown Deer PD Accreditation Presentation-</u> Chief Peter Nimmer and Lt. Amy Koeppel were present representing the department. Ferguson recapped significant highlights from the agency on-site and informed them of the Board's decision to grant reaccreditation status effective May 3, 2021. Chief Nimmer was advised as to the timing of the formal award presentation at the WPLF Winter Conference in February and that a local presentation could be made if requested.

The meeting was adjourned at 1142 hours on a unanimous voice vote following a motion by Cole, seconded by Pederson.

**Next meeting** — Friday November 12, 2021 in-person at CVMIC and via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted, Todd Christopherson-Secretary

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