

WILEAG Governing Board Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2021

The virtual meeting, held via Zoom, was called to order at 0900 hours by President Mark Ferguson.

Present: Ferguson, Nasci, Rosch, Christopherson, Peterson, Stojkovic, Patton, Pederson, Nimmer, Zilavy, Kopp, Grill, and Palmer.

Excused: Braun, Cole, and Hingiss

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

The minutes from the May 3, 2021 meeting were sent in advance of the meeting. **After review**, the meeting minutes of the May 3, 2021 were approved on a unanimous voice vote following a motion by Peterson, seconded by Stojkovic.

Standing and Ad-hoc Committee Reports

- Training Committee Patton reports that the Property/Evidence Room Management best practices video was recorded at Glendale PD on 6/17 by CVMIC videographer Tiffany Weir. The next undertaking will be Temporary Holding which will be recorded at West Allis PD in August. The finalized products will be archived on WILEAG's website as resource material.
- Process Committee The 6th Edition Accreditation Standards and corresponding 3rd Edition CORE Verification Standards were recently completed and approved. Both incorporated the most current statutory changes regarding police practice and procedures. However, since their passage, new legislative decrees at both the State and Federal level continue to be authored and has resulted in some standards being already outdated. Wrightsman confirmed that neither document has been placed on WILEAG's website or disseminated to participating agencies. Following discussion, a motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Nasci to delay distribution of the 6th Edition Accreditation Standards and corresponding 3rd Edition CORE Verification Standards and update any affected standards to reflect recent and subsequent legislative changes. The motion was approved on unanimous voice vote.

- Outreach Committee Rosch reports that he will be attending the Wisconsin Chief's of Police Association Summer Conference in August and staffing the WILEAG vendor booth.
- Large Agency Committee Milwaukee PD's Extension Request will be considered by the Board as an agenda item later in the meeting.

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. He reported a current balance of \$67,976.92. No concerns were expressed by the Executive Board who had reviewed the detailed report in advance of the meeting. Rosch reported that payments have been made to assessors that completed Use of Force Credentialing reviews. Lastly, Rosch advised that neither Lexipol (\$5,000 Gold) nor PowerDMS (\$1,000 Bronze) appear interested in sponsoring WILEAG for 2021 as their invoices remain unpaid. Following discussion and review, a motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Stojkovic and passed on a unanimous voice vote to accept the Financial Reports.
- Secretary's Report Rosch submitted formal notice that he will be resigning from the Board at the end of 2021. As a result of his departure, the Board will need to either fill the vacated Treasurer position or amend the By-laws to authorize the Executive Director to complete these duties. Nomination and election for Treasurer to serve the remainder of Rosch's unexpired term will be held during the next Board meeting.

<u>Staff Report</u>- Wrightsman reviewed the Executive Director report that was provided to the Board in advance of the meeting. Use of Force submissions have slowed considerably so she has returned to working 20 hours per week.

Old and Unfinished Business

Update on Use of Force Credentialing Program – Ferguson reviewed with Board members accreditation funding opportunities that were announced by the COPS Office. One grant targets individual agencies that are seeking accreditation while a second grant is designed to enhance existing accreditation programs. The submission deadline for each is July 21, 2021. Following discussion, there was consensus amongst the Board that WILEAG should apply. Both WILEAG and

Training and Standards will add to their websites links to these grants to help spread the news of this opportunity.

New Business

Board Member Practices/Procedures Questions - No questions

Review/Approve Milwaukee PD Extension Request- The on-site for Milwaukee PD is currently scheduled for September 13-17, 2021. However, based on transition within their leadership ranks, they are requesting a delay to ensure they are fully prepared. Following discussion, Nasci made a motion, seconded by Kopp, to delay Milwaukee PD's accreditation on-site to early 2022. The motion was approved on unanimous voice vote. Wrightsman will contact Milwaukee PD to coordinate the selected new dates.

Virtual Academy for CSVP- Virtual Academy provides online training for law enforcement agencies and recently added an accreditation module that is available for free. This resource is similar to other file sharing platforms that are currently in use to assist agencies with constructing accreditation proof files. Similar to other vendors, Virtual Academy is requesting permission to load WILEAG's CSVP standards onto their website. Following discussion, Nasci made a motion, seconded by Ferguson, to grant Virtual Academy permission to use WILEAG CSVP standards within their online accreditation module. The motion was approved on unanimous voice vote.

Future Board Meeting Venue- After being closed as a result of COVID-19 to in person meetings and trainings for over a year, CVMIC is preparing to open their doors again. There was consensus amongst the Board to return to in person meetings based on the availability of CVMIC's facilitates. Additionally, attendance via Zoom will still be available for those who prefer this option for participation.

Agency Accreditation Review

Following a motion by Stojkovic, seconded by Kopp, at 1000 hours the Board convened in closed session following unanimous voice vote.

<u>Brown Deer PD.</u> The written report was sent to board members in advance of the meeting. Team Leader Chief Tom Frank provided a summary of the process and responded to specific questions from Board members. After discussion and review, there was a motion by Kopp, seconded by Palmer and passed on a unanimous voice vote to grant WILEAG reaccreditation status for a period of three years to Brown Deer PD, effective June 25, 2021. Brown Deer PD will be invited to the next Board meeting for formal recognition of their accredited status.

<u>Waukesha SO.</u> The written report was sent to board members in advance of the meeting. Team Leader Captain Lara Vendola-Messer provided a summary of the process and responded to specific questions from Board members. After discussion and review, *there was a motion by*

Nasci, seconded by Kopp and passed on a unanimous voice vote to grant WILEAG reaccreditation status for a period of three years to Waukesha Sheriff's Office, effective June 25, 2021. Waukesha SO will be invited to the next Board meeting for formal recognition of their accredited status.

<u>Minocqua PD Core Verification</u>- The written report was sent to Board members in advance of the meeting. Katie Wrightsman provided a summary of the process and the findings of the review that had been completed by Chief Patrick Reese. Concerns were raised that compliance with Standards 37 and 43 had not been successfully demonstrated. After discussion, *a motion was made by Ferguson, seconded by Kopp, and passed on unanimous voice vote that Minocqua PD had not satisfied the requirements for verification*. Ferguson will contact Minocqua PD and provide a list of corrective actions that will need to be taken in order to be reconsidered for verification.

<u>Fox Point PD Core Verification-</u> The written report was sent to Board members in advance of the meeting. Katie Wrightsman provided a summary of the process and the findings of the review that had been completed by Chief Scott Marquardt. After discussion, *a motion was made by Nasci, seconded by Peterson, and passed on unanimous voice vote to grant verification status to Fox Point P.D. effective June 25, 2021.*

Following a motion by Stojkovic, seconded by Kopp, at 1051 hours the Board reconvened in open session following unanimous voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 1053 hours on a unanimous voice vote following a motion by Nasci, seconded by Stojkovic.

Next meeting – Friday August 27, 2021 0900 hours in person at CVMIC and via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted, Todd Christopherson-Secretary