



# WILEAG Governing Board Meeting Minutes

February 21, 2020

The meeting, held at the CVMIC offices in Wauwatosa, was called to order at 0903 hours by President Mark Ferguson.

Present: Ferguson, Ruzinski, Rosch, Vendola-Messer, Stojkovic, Peterson, Pederson, Balistreri, Nasci, Braun, Nimmer, Reyes, and Grill

Others in attendance: Katie Wrightsman, Colette Jaeger, and Jeff Knopp

Excused: Palmer, Kopp, and Zilavy

The minutes from the January 13, 2020 meeting were sent in advance of the meeting. ***After review, the minutes of the January 13, 2020 meeting were approved on a unanimous voice vote following a motion by Ruzinski, seconded by Peterson.***

## **Reports of Standing and Ad-Hoc Committees**

- **Training**
  - Accreditation Manager training is scheduled for 05/07/20 – 13 registered to date
  - Assessor training is scheduled for 05/21/20 – 7 registered to date
  - Both will occur at CVMIC – they will also print any materials needed for handouts
- **Process**
  - Standards review is ongoing. The committee will be waiting for input from Wi-PAC (meets next week). Additionally, the Process Committee members will be meeting 30 minutes in advance of the next scheduled WILEAG Board meeting.
- **Outreach**
  - There were a few inquiries at the Chief's Conference booth.
- **Large Agency**
  - Nothing to report

## **Officer's Reports**

- **President**
  - The WILEAG Board received a less than favorable Assessor evaluation after a recent on-site. After much discussion, the President will first contact the Chief of Police that employs the assessor before any action is taken at the Board level. The

Board was strongly in favor of removing the Assessor from the assessor pool going forward, and will discuss this further at the next Board meeting.

- Additionally, trainers will ensure the Assessor Standards of Conduct are signed during the initial training. Furthermore, the Standards of Conduct should be frequently referenced amongst Team Leaders and with assessors.
- **Vice President** – Nothing to report.
- **Secretary** - Nothing to report.
- **Treasurer** - Rosch reviewed the financial reports that he compiled with Board members. With early morning deposits before the meeting, he reported a current balance of \$66,905.62 as of 02/21/2020. ***Following discussion and review, a motion was made by Ruzinski, seconded by Stojkovic and passed on a unanimous voice vote to accept the Treasurer's Report.***

**Executive Director Report**- Wrightsman sent her report in advance and reviewed its contents with the board. She also showed the Board the progress she has made to date with the website redesign. The Board approved the overall path Wrightsman is taking with the flow of the website design.

**Announcement of Accreditation Decision – Fond du Lac PD** – Fond du Lac Chief William Lamb, along with 10 other representatives from the City of Fond du Lac including Paul Torres, Scott Krause, Nicholas Hahn, Ryan Williams, Anthony Hahn, Jason Laridaen, Aaron Goldstein, Steven Klein, Joseph Moore, and Brian Kolstad were present representing the department. Ferguson informed them of the Board's decision to grant accreditation status. They were advised as to the timing of the formal award presentation at the WPLF Winter Conference which occurred last week, and that a local presentation could also be made if requested.

***Following a motion by Ruzinski, seconded by Nimmer, at 1132 hours the Board went into closed session on a unanimous voice vote.***

**Evansville PD Accreditation hearing.** The written on-site report had been sent to board members in advance of the meeting. Team Leader Capt. Jeff Knop appeared in person and provided a summary covering the process and findings. He also responded to specific questions from Board members. Following discussion, ***there was a motion by Peterson seconded by Ruzinski and passed on a unanimous voice vote to table this decision until the Chief can determine a time frame to become compliant with Standard 1.4.4.***

***Following a motion by Ruzinski, seconded by Nimmer, at 1213 hours the Board suspended the meeting for lunch on a unanimous voice vote.***

***Following a motion by Peterson, seconded by Nimmer, at 1229 hours the Board went back into closed session on a unanimous voice vote.***

**Watertown PD Accreditation hearing.** The written on-site report had been sent to board members in advance of the meeting. Team Leader Capt. Colette Jaeger appeared in person and provided a summary covering the process and findings of both visits. She also responded to specific questions from Board members. Following discussion, ***there was a motion by Ruzinski seconded by Nasci and passed on a unanimous voice vote to grant WILEAG accreditation under the 5<sup>th</sup> Edition for a period of three years, effective 02/21/2020.***

**Announcement of Re-Accreditation Decision – Grand Chute PD** – Grand Chute Police Chief Greg Peterson and Captain Colette Jaeger were present representing the department. Ferguson informed them of the Board’s decision to grant re-accreditation status. He was advised as to the timing of the formal award presentation at the WPLF Winter Conference which occurred last week, and that a local presentation could also be made if requested.

**New Business**

- **Board Member Practice/Procedure Questions-** No questions were raised by Board members in regards to organizational practices/procedures currently undertaken by WILEAG.

***The meeting was adjourned at 1249 hours on unanimous voice vote following a motion by Ruzinski, seconded by Nasci.***

**Next meeting** – Confirmed at CVMIC, Monday March 23, 2020.

***Respectfully submitted,***

***Lara Vendola-Messer for  
Todd Christopherson, Secretary***