



# WILEAG Governing Board Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2022

The dual format meeting held in-person at the CVMIC offices in Wauwatosa and virtually via Zoom, was called to order at 9:06 AM hours by President Mark Ferguson.

Present: Ferguson, Christopherson, Grill, Peterson, Jaeger, Balistreri, Pederson, Stojkovic, Nimmer, Palmer, Hingiss, Braun, Misko and Reyes.

Excused: Zilavy and Nasci

Others: Katie Wrightsman, Lara Vendola-Messer, Joshua Snyder, and Jared Goldberg.

The minutes from the January 7, 2022 meeting were sent in advance of the meeting. After review and correction of a typographical error, ***the meeting minutes of the January 7, 2022 were approved on a unanimous voice vote following a motion by Stojkovic, seconded by Peterson.***

## **Standing and Ad-hoc Committee Reports**

- **Training Committee**- Balistreri reports that the *Safe at Home* training video will be recorded at CVMIC on February 16, 2022. Accreditation Manager Training will be held at CVMIC on March 17, 2022. Additionally, a separate Accreditation Manager training will be held in the future for Milwaukee PD's entire Inspections Division and representatives from all seven districts.
- **Process Committee** – Nothing to report.
- **Outreach Committee** – Nothing to report.
- **Large Agency Committee** – Chief Norman has agreed in principle to the proposal that Milwaukee PD's accreditation on-site will occur in spring 2023 under the 6<sup>th</sup> Edition Standards with proofs of compliance for 2021 and 2022 being required. Wrightsman will follow up with Chief Norman and request a formal letter from him acknowledging the terms of this proposal.

## **OFFICER'S REPORTS**

- **President's Report** – Ferguson reports that he has received several inquiries from journalists seeking commentary on use of force standards and the movement toward law enforcement accreditation on a national level. While there have been no recent COPS

Office meetings, he will continue to monitor any developments and keep the Board abreast of any proposed legislation or initiatives.

- **Vice President's Report** – Nothing to report.
- **Treasurer's Report** – Grill reviewed the financial report that she submitted and detailed a current balance of \$51,251.18. Following discussion and review, ***a motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Nimmer and passed on a unanimous voice vote to accept the Financial Report.***
- **Secretary's Report** – Nothing to report.

**Staff Report**- Wrightsman reviewed the Executive Director's Report that was provided to the Board in advance of the meeting. Dodge County Sheriff's Office has joined WILEAG and will be pursuing full accreditation. As a result of a payment glitch, the WILEAG website was down for about a week. The error has since been corrected and no further problems are anticipated. Wrightsman also advised the Board that the website monthly fee is anticipated to increase from \$14.99 to \$19.99 as a result of configuration requirements. There was consensus amongst the Board that this change could be absorbed within the 2022 budget and formal Board action was not required.

### **Old and Unfinished Business**

**Power DMS Sponsorship Proposal**- Power DMS Representatives Joshua Snyder and Jared Goldberg appeared via Zoom to discuss sponsorship opportunities available to WILEAG. They reviewed the written proposal that was shared with Board members prior to the meeting. Snyder and Goldberg provided a general overview of the tiered sponsorship structure and the commitment from WILEAG that each level requires. They also responded to specific questions from Board members. Snyder confirmed that even if WILEAG did not wish to enter into a formal sponsorship contract, Power DMS would still provide \$1,000 in sponsorship assistance. Following the presentation, Snyder and Goldberg left the meeting and the Board considered the sponsorship proposals. Following discussion, there was consensus that many variables were still unanswered and the Board needed to gather more information. Additionally, the Board would need to craft formal amendments to the proposal and submit them to Power DMS for their consideration. Accordingly, formal action on the sponsorship proposal was tabled for a future Board meeting. Additionally, Palmer agreed to conduct an analysis regarding the intersection of intellectual property, copyright, and other legal considerations pertaining to WILEAG's published standards.

## **New Business**

**Board Member Practices/Procedures Questions** – Following an inquiry by Misko, the role and responsibilities of the Board of Directors Representative during an agency on-site were discussed and reviewed.

**Chapter 9 Proof Table 6<sup>th</sup> Edition**- Several Board members expressed concerns they did not have the opportunity to review the proposed document. Accordingly, formal action was tabled until the next Board meeting. In addition to the document being uploaded to our Deer Creek website, Captain Eugene Neyhart will be asked to review it since he has been completing the on-site inspections of multijurisdictional communication centers seeking certification under Chapter 9 Standards.

Peterson, Jaeger, and Grill excused themselves from the Board meeting at 10:49 AM

**Neenah PD Accreditation Presentation**- Assistant Chief Jeffrey Bernice and Captain Thomas Van Sambeek 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 January 7, 2022. Neenah PD had already received the formal award at the WPLF Winter Conference in February; however, they were informed a local presentation could be made if requested.

**Hartford PD Accreditation Presentation** – Chief Scott MacFarlane and Lt. Michael Cummings 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 December 13, 2021. Hartford PD had already received the formal award at the WPLF Winter Conference in February; however, they were informed a local presentation could be made if requested.

***The meeting was adjourned at 1109 hours on a unanimous voice vote following a motion by Balistreri, seconded by Pederson.***

**Next meeting** – Friday March 18, 2022 in-person at CVMIC and via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,  
Todd Christopherson-Secretary