

**Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 17, 2018 – 11:30 a.m.
Aurelios of Addison, 1455 West Lake Street, Addison**

1. **Call to Order at 1154 hours By President Wax**
2. **Roll Call – (7 Voting Members* Needed for Quorum)**

<u>Members</u>	<u>Departments</u>	<u>Present</u>
President Alan Wax *	Des Plaines	x
1 st Vice President Tracy Kenny*	Broadview	x
2 nd Vice President Tom Styczynski*	Alsip	x
Secretary Joe Leone*	Addison	x
Treasurer Tom Deegan*	Retired Chief	x
Immediate Past President Gordon J. Nord, Jr*	Lyons	
Sergeant-at-Arms Jim Jackson	Retired Chief	x
Sergeant-at-Arms Fred Friedl	Retired Chief	x
Director John Christian*	Grayslake	x
Director Randy Deicke*	Batavia	x
Director Phil DiMenza*	Winfield	
Director Michael Kuryla*	Berkeley	1225 hours
Director Sean Maloy*	Bedford Park	x
Director Jim Walters*	Schaumburg	x
Director Dick Swanson*	Retired Chief	x
Active or Affiliate Director [Vacant]*		

3. **Secretary's Report** – Secretary Leone

A. **Approval of Minutes** – A vote was taken to approve the Executive Board Meeting minutes for December 20, 2017.

Motion was made by – Retired Chief Swanson

Second by – Chief Styczynski

Voice vote - Unanimous

B. **Other Business from the Secretary**

None

4. **Treasurer's Report**

A. **Financial Statements** – Through January 14, 2018 were distributed and reviewed.

B. Account balance as of January 14, 2018 was

MB Financial Bank – \$53,445.48

PayPal Balance – \$1734.58

Petty Cash – 50.00

Motion to approve the financial statements was made by Chief Christian

Second by – Chief Deicke

Voice Vote – Unanimous

C. **2018 Proposed Budget** – The group reviewed attachment D (proposed 2018 budget) in the agenda, also in attachment D was the 2016 and 2017 financials for comparison. It was reported by Treasurer Deegan that as in years past the current budget does show a deficit. President Wax made mention that in years past we also showed a deficit, and always posted in the positive.

A **Motion** was made by Chief Jim Walters to recommend the draft budget to the general membership for a vote of approval.

Second by – Chief Tom Styczynski

Voice vote – Unanimous

5. **President's Report** – President Wax had 2 items to discuss

The first item was to get the groups approval to move the executive board meeting from Glendale Lakes to Aurelios of Addison. A discussion was held and a clarification of price and room availability was questioned. The owner from Aurelios (Sharon) presented to the group that the price of the buffet and drink was \$10 and that the room for the rest of the year was open. A **Motion** was made by Retired Chief Dick Swanson to move future meetings to Aurelios of Addison.

Second by – Chief Jim Walters

Voice vote - Unanimous

Chief Leone was instructed to call Glendale Lakes to cancel the rest of the year.

The second item was about board vacancy, a map was presented that outlined where the current members were located, Retired Chief Jim Jackson stated that he had discussed with the Frankfort Chief, Chief Wilson about the opening on the board, and Chief Wilson was interested in the position. Frankfort is in Will County and part of MABAS 19. The open Directors position is appointed by the President, Chief Wax and Retired Chief Jackson will reach out to Chief Wilson

Committee Reports

- A. Administrative Professionals Recognition Luncheon** – 1st VP Kenny reported that the lunch will be at the Medinah Shriners in Addison on April 5th. Chief Kenny asked if the invite can be sent out early so that departments can get approval ahead of time. The luncheon will replace the general meeting for the month of April.
- B. Audit** – Treasurer Deegan reported that he, Retired Chief Swanson and Chief Kuryla will be meeting shortly to perform the audit, and will report back in February.
- C. Bylaws** – Chief Wax reported that the by-laws need to be adjusted as they state the audit shall be performed in November, when it makes more sense to perform it in January or February.
- D. Directory/Website** – Director Deicke reported that the website is up to date, he also reported that more are paying on-line. Chief Deicke will be placing the symposium information on the website beginning in February. Chief Wax and Chief Christian have updates to send to Chief Deicke for the directory.
- E. Fundraising** – Treasurer Deegan reported about three upcoming events.
1. Golf Outing will be on July 11, it was reported that last year's outing fell about \$10,000 short of its goal.
 2. Blood Drive – the foundation is trying to get more departments to sign on.
 3. Fishing tournament will be out of Waukegan Harbor this year and will be on June 2nd
- A question was asked about on-line raffles, Chief Christian reported that it came with too many legal issues and it was dropped from consideration.
- F. Home Day** – Treasurer Deegan stated that he felt the best day for this would be June 1st, he will work on getting confirmation from the Chicago Fire Academy.
- G. IFCA** – Director Christian reported that all should be receiving the "hot sheet", the sheet is scaled back from last year to just contain fire service bills. He also reported that several IFCA Board members have retired and we will see some change on the IFCA board.
The fire and police chiefs legislative day will be on April 11 in Springfield. The IFCA is working with the IAFF to discuss their current proposed bills.
- H. Installation/Holiday Luncheon** – Sergeant-at-Arms Fred Friedl reported that Rosalinda's position at Gurnee Fire has been eliminated. Parking concerns were once again addressed; Chief Leone stated that he would work with the Addison Park district for additional parking and a shuttle bus.
Several Board Members reported that they could not hear the presentation and asked that the ceremony be moved to the center of the room, it was pointed out that all were able to hear the raffle numbers.
A final review of the books will be done during the month to see if there are any outstanding bills or checks due.
President Wax questioned the whereabouts of the funds from the 50/50 boards. He reported that one board's profit should be given to the IFCA foundation and the other should have gone to the Metro Chiefs 50th anniversary event, Chief Friedl will be following up on this.
- I. Legislation** – Director Christian reported that after reviewing the budget there is money in the budget for a legislator lunch, it was discussed that it has not been used in several years. It was reported again the Illinois Legislative day would be April 11, and legislators are invited to Home day.
It was also reported that John Buckley will oversee all call to actions and legislative fire related bills.
- J. Nominating** – Director DiMenza absent. No Report

K. **Programs** – 2nd VP Styczynski reported that February was the cancer dogs and that the March Symposium is being presented by Tactical Health and that they are paying for the breakfast. A question came up about topics for the August symposium, the room was asked to think about a topic and report back next month.

L. **Sick & Welfare** - 2nd VP Styczynski asked that all retirements be reported to him ASAP so that he can take action.

M. **Metro Chiefs Association History** – Director Swanson – No report

7. **Unfinished Business** – None

8. **New Business** – None

9. **Open Discussion** – none

10. **Future Meetings**

A. 2018 Board Meetings – 2/21, 3/21, 4/18, 5/16, 6/20, 7/18, 8/15, 9/19, 10/17, 11/21, 12/19

i. Board Meetings conflict with 5/16-18 IFCA Symposium & 10/14-17 Conference. As each of those dates approaches, a decision will be made whether to change the meeting date, cancel the meeting, or meet during the IFCA event.

B. 2018 General Meetings – 2/1 Cancer-detecting dogs, 3/1 Symposium-Meeting, 4/5 Admin. Prof. Luncheon

11. **Adjournment** - at 1240 hours

12. Motion made by Chief Christian

13. Second by Chief Maloy

Voice Vote - Unanimous

Prepared by and submitted by,

Joseph Leone

Secretary,

Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association