



**Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association of Illinois
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday November 17, 2021
Aurelios Pizza, 1455 W. Lake St., Addison**



1. **Call to Order** – In the absence of President Styczynski, 1st Vice President Christian called the meeting to order at 11:37 a.m. on November 17, 2021.

2. **Roll Call – (8 Voting Members* Needed for Quorum)**

<u>Members</u>	<u>Departments</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Departments</u>	<u>Present</u>
President Thomas Styczynski*	Alsip		Active Director Randy Deicke*	Batavia	X
1 st Vice President John Christian*	Grayslake	X	Active Director Steve Evans*	Winfield	X
2 nd Vice President Brad Liggett*	Freeport	X	Affiliate Director Fred Friedl*	Beach Park	X
Secretary Alan Wax*	Hoffman Estate	X	Active Director Gordy Nord*	Lyons	X
Treasurer Tom Deegan*	Retired Chief	X	Retiree Director Dick Swanson*	Retired Chief	X
Immed. Past President Tracy Kenny*	Broadview	@11:43	Active Director Jim Walters*	Schaumburg	
Sergeant-at-Arms Mike Kuryla	Retired Chief		Active Director Steve Wascher*	South Elgin	X
Sergeant-at-Arms Jim Jackson	Retired Chief	X	Active Director Vacancy*		

First Vice President Christian declared there to be a quorum

3. **Secretary’s Report – Secretary Wax**

- A. Approval of meeting minutes of the August 18, 2021 Executive Board meeting
 - I. A motion to amend the minutes, as discussed, was made by Director Swanson and seconded by Director Evans.
 - II. The motion to amend the minutes passed unanimously (10-0) by voice vote.
 - III. A motion to approve the minutes, as amended, was made by Director Swanson and seconded by Director Evans.
 - IV. The motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously (10-0) by voice vote. The amended minutes are enclosed as Attachment A.

4. **Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer Deegan**

- A. Approval of the Treasurer’s Report covering August 18, 2021 through November 16, 2021
 - I. The report included the list of revenues/expenditures, bank account balances, and 2021 budget status.
 - II. A motion to approve the Treasurer’s report was made by Director Friedl and seconded by Director Deicke.
 - III. The motion to approve the Treasurer’s report passed unanimously (10-0) by voice vote. The report is enclosed as Attachment B.

5. **President’s Report – 1st Vice President Christian, as advised by President Styczynski**

- A. Location for December 15th Executive Board Meeting
 - I. A discussion was held, with no final determination made.

6. **Committee Reports**

- A. **Bylaws** – A discussion was held on the proposed amendments presented at the August meeting related to the gift for a retiring active chief. Following discussion, by consensus, it was decided to eliminate the gift card or plaque option and, instead, present only a free retired membership. An outgoing President would continue to receive a plaque. Secretary Wax will work on proposed language in conjunction with Committee Chairman Kuryla.
- B. **Directory/Website** – Treasurer Deegan asked for the link to donate via the website be placed back on the website. Committee Chairman Deicke will work on it. Committee Chairman Deicke advised that he would also work on making sure that past meetings’ minutes are posted on the site.
- C. **Fundraising** – Chairman Swanson reported that the fishing derby was moved to Spring of 2022, that the clay shoot went very well, and that the IFCA Foundation would be doing a 50/50 raffle at the Metro Chiefs Installation Luncheon – possibly using playing cards instead of numbered balls and sign-up boards.
- D. **IFCA/Legislation** – Chairman Christian reported that the IFCA Board had met earlier in the day, and did not have much to advise other than the following:
 - I. The organization is looking for members to serve on the Mental Health Committee.
 - II. House Bill 220 regarding shift commanders in collective bargaining units had not yet been signed by the Governor, but was expected to be signed sometime soon, and would take effect in June of 2022
 - III. There was discussion on a possible future 9-8-8 emergency telephone number for suicide hotline use.
 - IV. The work with the Illinois Tollway on revising the billing formula and processes for fire service tollway responses is still ongoing, but has no updates.

- E. **Symposium** – Co-Chairs Evans and Wax requested ideas for speakers for the March 2022 Symposium. Already confirmed for one of the presentations is an update from Rebound, who were previously named Tactical Athlete Health and Performance Institute (TAHPI) when they last presented a few years ago. There was also discussion regarding a possible attorney presentation regarding House Bill 220.
- F. **Nominating** – Chairman Friedl advised that there was nothing to report.
- G. **Programs** – There was no report.
- H. **Annual Banquet**- Chairman Friedl provided the following updates:
 - I. A rendering of the proposed room layout was reviewed (enclosed as Attachment C). There was consensus that this would work well and would help control noise from the “far end” of the room during presentations.
 - II. Board members should report to the Empress at 0800 hours for set-up.
 - III. Chairman Friedl gave Treasurer Deegan a copy of the contract with the Empress.
 - IV. There will be wine bottles at the tables as the centerpieces, as in the past – attendees get the wine bottles as take-home gifts. Past President Kenny is taking care of this.
 - V. The psychics are returning. They have requested to be upstairs as it is a quieter and less public setting.
 - VI. The reservation and vendor tables will all be in the lobby.
 - VII. There will be two open bars (Bar A and Bar C on the drawing in Attachment C).
 - VIII. The Addison Fire Protection District is providing shuttle van service between the Empress and the Park District lot.
 - IX. Past President Kenny is taking care of getting the plaque for outgoing President Styczynski.
 - X. As of November 17th, there are 292 attendees paid.
- I. **Sick & Welfare** – The following items were discussed:
 - I. Chairman Kenny reminded the Board to advise her of news regarding members.
 - II. Chief Howard Stephens from Mokena FPD is retiring
 - III. Chief Steve Gorsky from Darien-Woodridge FPD is retiring
- J. **Metro Chiefs Association History** – Chairman Swanson reported that the original items scanned by the Bedford Park FD, as well as the thumb drive with the scans, were being transferred at this meeting to Treasurer Deegan for review. It was noted that the documents include the organization’s original charter. Following a brief discussion, Chairman Swanson agreed to investigate what is required for original records retention and if it is appropriate for the records to go to the state archives.

7. **Unfinished Business** – There was no unfinished business.

8. **New Business** – There was no new business.

9. **Open Discussion** – There was no further discussion.


10. **Future Meetings**

- A. October 15, 2021 – location to be announced

11. **Adjournment**

- A. A motion to adjourn was made by Past President Kenny and seconded by Director Swanson.
- B. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously (11-0) by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Alan Wax, Secretary



ATTACHMENT A

Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday August 18, 2021 – 11:30 a.m.

Sprinkler Fitters Local #281, 11900 S. Laramie Ave., Alsip



- 1. **Call to Order TIME 11:30**
- 2. **Roll Call – (8 Voting Members* Needed for Quorum)**

Member	Department		Member	Department	
President Thomas Styczynski*	Alsip	P	Director Steve Wascher	South Elgin	P
1 st Vice President John Christian*	Barrington	P	Director Randy Deicke*	Batavia	P
2 nd Vice President Bradley Liggett*	Freeport*	P	Director Steve Evans*	Winfield	
Secretary Al Wax*	Hoffman Estates*		Director - OPEN		
Treasurer Tom Deegan*	Retired Chief	P	Director Fred Friedl*	Beach Park	P
Immed. Past President Tracy Kenny*	Broadview		Director Dick Swanson*	Retired Chief	P
Sergeant-at-Arms Jim Jackson	Retired Chief		Director Jim Walters*	Schaumburg	
Sergeant-at-Arms Mike Kuyrla	Retired Chief	P	Director Gordy Nord*	Lyons	

3. Secretary’s Report

A. Approval of meeting minutes of July 21, 2021 Executive Board meeting
MM – Director Friedl , 2nd – Director Swanson, Voice Vote: Unanimous

4. Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer Deegan

A. Financial Statements – The treasurer provided the attached financial statements for review and to be entered in to the record. Tom reports we ran out of checks, need to pay the Empress and IFCA Golf Outing, received \$500 IPRF Sponsorship for the Symposium.

B. Vote to approve

MM – Director Swanson, 2nd – Director Deike, Voice Vote: Unanimous

5. President’s report- Chief Styczynski

A. A. Overview of August meeting over 50 people, keep an eye on legislations, stuff will come back. IFCA does a great job of keeping us informed. Foam bill?

B. Filling of open director’s spot?? - Still one spot open. Welcome Chief Wascher. With Chief Wilson leaving. Still need one.

C. Sponsorship of IFSA golf outing - September 22 - Eagle Sponsor - Camp IME - Hole Sponsor 500 each.

MM Liggett 2nd Christian VV Unanimous

D. September’s executive board meeting

Discussion holding meeting on Chicago Fire Boat September 16, 2021, Decommissioned boat - Lunch Charter Tour and Cruise,

Consensus Not to Do it Discussion to check with the Aurora Fire Museum. Chief Deike will check. And get back to us. Asking the Aurora Fire Chief.

6. Committee Reports

A. **Bylaws** – SAA Kuryla No Report

B. **Directory/Website** – Director Deicke

Website fixed – registration open for the symposium – one registration so far.

C. **Fundraising** – Treasurer Deegan

No report on the golf outing yet. Fishing event called off. Stair Climb for NFFF coming up. Fall Clay Shoot is at St. Charles Country Club in October.

D. **IFCA/Legislation** – Director Christian

No Report

E. **Programs**

Discussion of Final Line up for the August 12 general meeting.

ATTACHMENT A

F. Symposium

Start off with meeting. Nominating chair to call for nominations.

Sprinkler Fitters at Spring Symposium. Electrical apprentice just a few blocks away. Ask about solar panels...

Repeat symposium three different locations?

G. Nominating—Chief Friedl – No report

H. Annual Banquet- Chief Friedl

Reviewed seating arrangements and reviewed program, John Christian will be getting official to do the swearing in.

Need to get a stock of challenge coins.

Side Bar - Certificate of Appreciation for Speakers in the Future

Side Bar - who did we write checks to for card readers for the banquet.

Save the dates - 2 months out.

Any changes to the program please let Director Friedl know. More to come.

I. Sick & Welfare –No Report

J. Metro Chiefs Association History – Director Swanson

No report. Need to get minutes on the website.

7. Unfinished Business - None

8. New Business - None

9. Open Discussion - None

10. Future Meetings

A. Next Board Meetings – September 16, 2021

B. Next General Meetings – November 4

C. Annual Banquet – December 2, 2021

D. Board Meeting – Irish Times – December 15, 2021

E. Adjournment TIME: 13:15

MM – Director Deike, 2nd – Director Swanson, Voice Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted,



Bradley Liggett, Acting Secretary
Freeport

ATTACHMENT B

Metro Chiefs Exec - November 2021

8/18/2021 through 11/16/2021

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Date	Description	Memo	Category	Amount
BALANCE 8/17/2021				54,330.87
8/18/2021		IPRF - Sponsors...	Symposium Income	500.00
8/19/2021			Home Day - Income	100.00
8/22/2021	1Illinois Fire Chiefs ...	Annual Golf Outi...	Golf Outing Expense	-1,500.00
8/22/2021	1Empress Banquets		Luncheon Expense	-1,600.00
		Cash	Luncheon Income	340.00
9/1/2021	1Illinois Fire Safety ...	Golf Outing - Hol...	Donations	-500.00
9/2/2021	Transfer Money		[Paypal]	3,034.02
9/2/2021	1National Fallen Fir...	50/50 Raffle Pro...	Miscellaneous Expe...	-205.00
9/2/2021		50/50 Raffle	Miscellaneous Income	205.00
		Cash at Door	Symposium Income	70.00
			Symposium Income	140.00
			Luncheon Income	20.00
9/2/2021			Symposium Income	1,855.00
		Liftmaster	Symposium Income	500.00
		NICOR	Holiday Party Income	500.00
			Dues:Dues 2021	310.00
			Bills & Utilities:Credi...	-130.98
9/2/2021	Transfer Money		[MB Financial Bank]	-3,034.02
9/3/2021	1Empress Banquets	80	Symposium Expense	-2,120.00
9/3/2021		CWF Restoration	Holiday Party Income	500.00
		Credit Card Fees	Fees & Charges:Ba...	-17.94
9/16/2021		IPRF - Sponsors...	Luncheon Income	250.00
9/18/2021	1G & L Trophy And ...	Bell Plate Engra...	Miscellaneous Expe...	-10.00
9/18/2021	1Aurora Regional Fi...	Donation	Donations - Expense	-500.00
10/8/2021	1Village Of Alsip	Reimbursement ...	Executive Board Lu...	-99.69
10/8/2021	1Tracy Kenny	Holiday Party Gif...	Holiday Party Expen...	-500.00
10/8/2021	1Kris Murphy	Holiday Party Gif...	Holiday Party Expen...	-500.00
10/8/2021	1Steve Evans	Holiday Party Gif...	Holiday Party Expen...	-500.00
10/8/2021	1MiKe Kuryla	Holiday Party Gif...	Holiday Party Expen...	-500.00
10/22/2021	1Lynfred Winery	Wine for Holiday...	Holiday Party Expen...	-5,108.19
10/28/2021	1Tracy Kenny	Holiday Party Ta...	Holiday Party Expen...	-769.50
11/3/2021	Transfer Money		[Paypal]	6,823.29
11/3/2021			Holiday Party Income	4,980.00
		North Central E...	Holiday Party Income	500.00
			Luncheon Income	640.00
		North Central E...	Luncheon Income	250.00
			Dues:Dues 2021	230.00
		Credit Card Fees	Fees & Charges:Ba...	-258.77
11/3/2021	Transfer Money		[MB Financial Bank]	-6,823.29
11/4/2021			Symposium Income	210.00
		Air One	Holiday Party Income	500.00
			Holiday Party Income	595.00
		Cash	Luncheon Income	200.00
11/4/2021	1Empress Banquets	51	Luncheon Expense	-1,730.00
11/16/2021			Luncheon Income	60.00
			Holiday Party Income	4,315.00
		Rallside Citrus	Holiday Party Income	500.00
			Dues:Dues 2021	280.00
		Credit Card Fees	Fees & Charges:Ba...	-192.04
8/18/2021 - 11/16/2021				4,987.00

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
BALANCE 11/16/2021				56,138.76

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Account Balances - As of 11/16/2021

<u>Account</u>	<u>11/16/2021 Balance</u>
Bank Accounts	
MB Financial Bank	51,125.80
Paypal	4,962.96
TOTAL Bank Accounts	56,088.76
Cash Accounts	
Petty Cash	50.00
TOTAL Cash Accounts	50.00
OVERALL TOTAL	56,138.76

ATTACHMENT B

Metropolitan Fire Chiefs - Budget for 2021
through 11/15/21

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2021</u>	Notes:
<u>Income:</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>	
Directory	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Dues	\$ 18,680.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,595.00	259.50%	
Interest	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Lunches	\$ 1,970.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,540.00	75.67%	
Symposium	\$ 2,575.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 3,310.00	55.17%	
Home Day	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,930.00	123.25%	
Holiday Lunch	\$ 140.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 12,390.00	53.87%	
Secretary Lunch	\$ 630.00	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 3,990.00	76.73%	
Misc Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Total Income	\$ 23,995.00	\$ 45,200.00	\$ 31,755.00	70.25%	
Expenditures:					
General:					
Bank Fees	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 108.56	434.24%	
Credit Card Fees	\$ 289.20	\$ 700.00	\$ 785.41	112.20%	
Charter/Filing	\$ 11.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 5.00	50.00%	
Lunch meetings	\$ 1,416.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,956.00	119.12%	
Office Supplies	\$ 41.19	\$ 100.00	\$ -	0.00%	
Postage	\$ 55.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	0.00%	
Refunds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Printing	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ -	0.00%	
Legal Fees	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	0.00%	
Sick/Welfare	\$ 530.60	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 319.73	31.97%	
Total	\$ 2,342.99	\$ 7,685.00	\$ 7,174.70	93.36%	
Executive Board:					
Guest/Speakers	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	0.00%	
Lunch meetings	\$ 960.85	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 639.84	31.99%	
Legislator Luncheon	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0.00%	
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40.75		
Total	\$ 960.85	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 680.59	8.51%	
Special:					
IFCA Candidate	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	0.00%	
IFCA Hospitality	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	0.00%	
IFCA Scholarship	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0.00%	
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	0.00%	
Donations	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	0.00%	
Directory					
Website	\$ 5,830.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,830.00	97.17%	
Directory Maintenance	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	0.00%	
Total	\$ 5,830.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 5,830.00	38.87%	
Special Events:					
Symposium	\$ 1,613.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,120.00	42.40%	
Golf Outing	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	100.00%	
Holiday Lunch	\$ 211.34	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 7,877.69	21.29%	
Home Day	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,435.20	71.76%	
Secretary Luncheon	\$ 58.79	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 6,543.25	93.48%	
Total	\$ 1,883.13	\$ 52,500.00	\$ 19,476.14	37.10%	
Total Expenditures	\$ 11,016.97	\$ 83,185.00	\$ 33,161.43	39.86%	
Expenses Vs Income	\$ 12,978.03	\$ (37,985.00)	\$ (1,406.43)	3.70%	

ATTACHMENT C

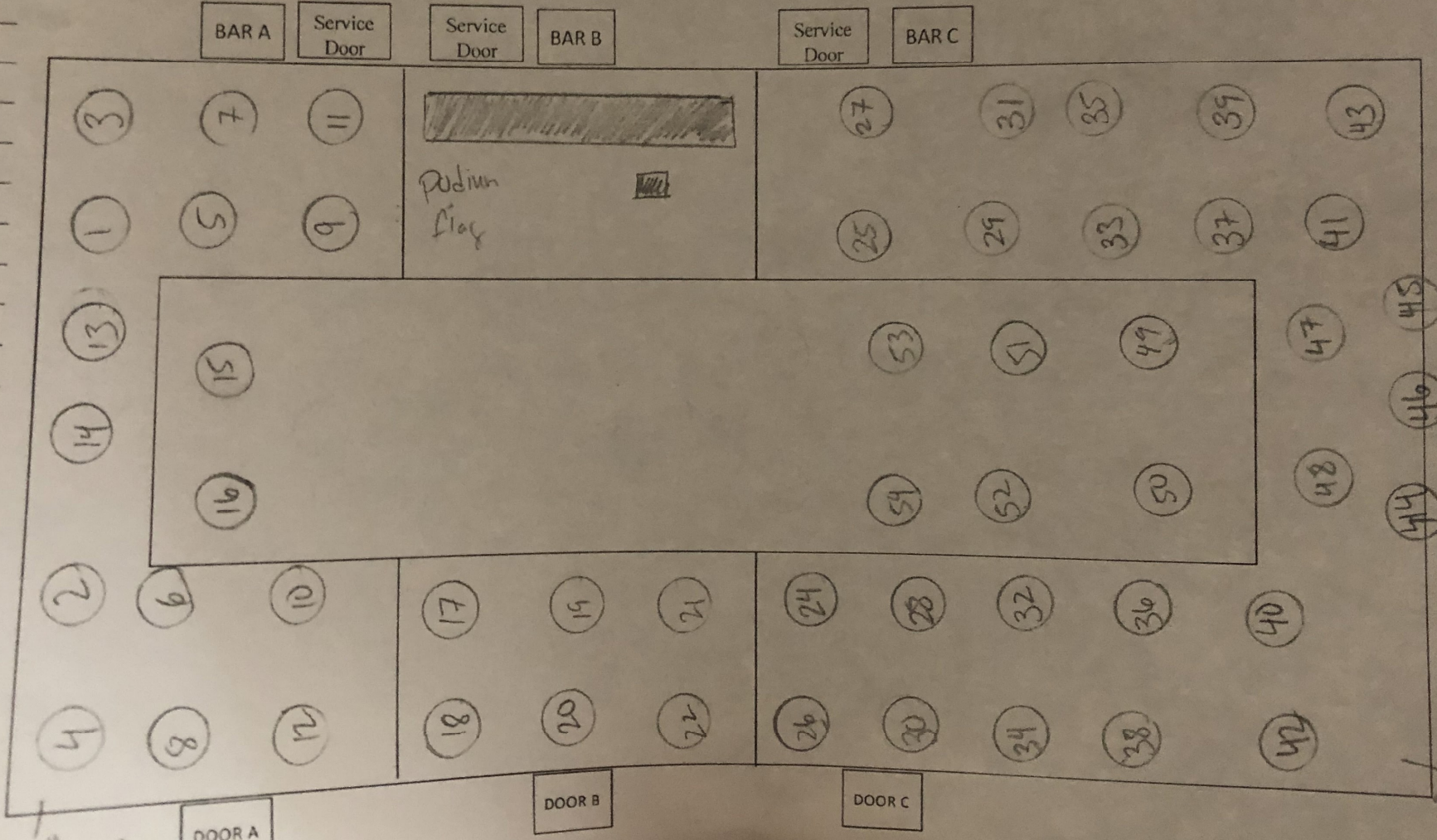
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Seating is ten to twelve people at every table

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Small table 2 chairs?

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