



**Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association of Illinois
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday November 16, 2022
Aurelio's Pizza, 1455 W. Lake St., Addison**



1. **Call to Order** – President Christian called the meeting to order at 11:31 a.m. on November 16, 2022.

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 John Christian*	Barrington	X	Affiliate Director Fred Friedl*	Beach Park	X
1 st Vice President Steve Evans*	Winfield	X	Active Director Tracy Kenny*	Broadview	X
2 nd Vice President Andy Dina*	Warrenville	X	Active Director Paul Segalla*	Long Grove	X
Secretary Alan Wax*	Hoffman Estates	X	Active Director Gordy Nord*	Lyons	X
Treasurer Tom Deegan*	Retired Chief	X	Active Director Steve Norvilas*	Pleasantview	
Immed. Past Presid. Tom Styczynski*	Alsip	X	Retiree Director Dick Swanson*	Retired Chief	X
Sergeant-at-Arms Randy Deicke	Retired Chief	X	Active Director Tom Gaertner*	River Forest	X
Sergeant-at-Arms Jim Jackson	Retired Chief	X	Active Director Jim Walters*	Schaumburg	
Sergeant-at-Arms Mike Kuryla	Retired Chief	X			

President Christian declared there to be a quorum.

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

A. Approval of meeting minutes of the October 17, 2022 Executive Board meeting

- I. Secretary Wax thanked Director Friedl for taking the 10/17/22 meeting minutes in Wax’s absence. A motion to approve the October 17, 2022 minutes was made by Director Segalla and seconded by Director Nord.
 - a. The motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously (12-0) by voice vote.

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

A. Treasurer Deegan presented the Treasurer’s Report. Because there was no report at the October meeting, this report covered the period of 9/21/2022 through 11/15/2022.

- I. The Report included starting and ending balances, revenues/expenditures, and the 2022 Budget status.
- II. A motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report was made by Director Swanson and seconded by Director Friedl.
 - a. The motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report passed unanimously (12-0) by voice vote. The Report is enclosed as [Attachment A on pages 3-4](#).

B. Treasurer Deegan noted that more sponsors are needed for meetings.

5. **President’s Report – President Christian**

A. **Correspondence Received** – None

B. **New Member** – Woodlake Occupational Health

- I. President Christian presented the application of Woodlake Occupational Health as an Associate Member.
- II. A motion to approve the Associate Membership of Woodlake Occupational Health was made by Director Kenny and seconded by Director Gaertner.
 - a. The motion to approve Woodlake’s Associate Membership passed unanimously (12-0) by voice vote.

6. **Committee Reports**

A. **Bylaws** – Chairperson Kuryla advised that there was nothing to report.

B. **Directory/Website** – Committee Chairperson Deicke reported that a reminder about the Installation Luncheon was blasted-out earlier in the day. He also asked that, in the future, anything that is to be blasted-out to the membership should be sent to him in PDF form, as he no longer has access to programs that can convert documents.

C. **Fundraising** – Co-Chairpersons Deegan and Swanson reported the IFCA Fundraising Committee is going to meet on 11/17. Discussion will be the 2023 Golf Outing, including a possible location change.

D. **IFCA/Legislation** – Chairperson Styczynski reported that the IFCA Board met earlier in the day, and there is no legislative activity this week on which to report. The Legislature is scheduled to be in session for three days next week before the Thanksgiving holiday, during which time they will like address issues with the Safe-T Act, with no fire service issues expected to be discussed. The newly-elected legislators will start on January 3, 2023 – and it is expected that they will be busy. Possible future legislation in the Spring may include sirens for ambulances. The new IFCA conference in combination with the Fire Protection District Association’s conference will be held during the week of June 13th in 2023.

E. **Symposium** – Co-Chairperson Evans reported that the Committee is still taking-in recommendations for topics, and any ideas should be submitted.

- F. **Nominating** – Chairperson Friedl advised that there was nothing to report – the election went smoothly.
- G. **Programs** –Chairperson Styczynski advised that topics for 2023 are not yet scheduled. He anticipates that there will be a new Chairman with the seating of the new Board. He does look forward to remaining on the Executive Board.
- H. **Annual Banquet** – Co-Chairpersons Friedl and Kenny provided statuses of the various elements of the Thursday, December 1, 2022 Installation Luncheon. The IFCA will handle the 50/50 raffle boards. The center pieces, attendee gifts, tarot card reader, and psychic are all set. Addison FPD will once again handle shuttle service to/from the Park District parking lot. A new check-in process is expected to be organized and quick. Registration as of 11/16 was 381, with a maximum allowed of 450. IFCA Executive Director Jim Grady will provide the invocation, and Director Dick Swanson will swear-in the new Board. Metro Executive Board members and their department guests will be seated near the front. Jerry Kleinwachter will once again be asked to call raffle tickets. The Executive Board is asked to get to the venue at 8:30 a.m. to help with set-up.
 There was concern expressed about vendors buying full tables, which hopefully does not preclude member departments from being able to get seats – so far, such is not the case. There are only five or six sponsors so far, which is less than the usual dozen or so.
 Discussion for future luncheons included the idea of not mailing-out invitations to Departments/Districts and Associate Members, as it is a lot of work and most register on-line anyway. Retirees would still get mailers. Also discussed for future events was sound-system concerns.
- I. **Sick & Welfare** – Chairperson Kenny reported that Chief Chris Clark is retiring from Streamwood on 11/18, however he will continue as Chief of Glen Ellyn and thus will remain active in Metro. Michael Myers will be sworn-in as Streamwood’s Fire Chief at the Village’s 11/17 Board meeting. Terry Vavra will be retiring from La Grange in a couple of months. Chairperson Kenny reminded all to send information about which the Committee should be aware.
- J. **Metro Chiefs Association History** – Chairperson Swanson advised that there was nothing to report.

7. **Unfinished Business** – None

8. **New Business**

- A. **2023 Calendar** – Director Friedl published the 2023 meeting dates in the Luncheon program. He provided meeting dates similar to 2022’s. In the past, there was no meeting in October due to the IFCA conference – however, the Conference has been moved to June and the IFCA Symposium will be in October. June is the month for the Metro Chiefs Home Day, so the June Metro event (Home Day) will be held. The October Metro meeting will be scheduled for now, but a decision on if it will, in fact, be held will be made later.
- B. **Director Nord** – President Christian reported that he has received a letter from Director Nord tendering his resignation from the Executive Board, effective January 1, 2023. President Christian thanked Director Nord for his contributions to the Board and the Metro Chiefs through the many years, and expressed that Director Nord will be missed very much. Director Nord expressed his frustration at needing to resign due continuing conflicts with other responsibilities. He thanked his fellow Board members for the excellent collaborations and great friendships that he has developed as a member of the Board, and expressed that he will greatly miss the involvement and the people. He wished his fellow Board members all the best as they move forward.

9. **Open Discussion**

- A. **Left-over Meeting Food** – President Christian reported receiving an email from a member inquiring into left-over food from membership meetings and the possibility of it going to nursing homes or back to fire stations to avoid it going to waste. The legal concerns related to this, and the likelihood of congregate facilities just accepting “loose” food donations, were recognized issues. Treasurer Deegan will discuss this with the management of the Empress, where the Metro Chiefs meetings are held, and he will report back to the Board, if necessary.

10. **Future Meetings**

- A. General Membership: Thursday, December 1, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. – Installation/Holiday Luncheon
- B. Executive Board: Wednesday, December 21, 2022 at 11:30 a.m. – Location TBA

11. **Adjournment**

- A. A motion to adjourn was made by Past President Styczynski and seconded by Director Nord.
- B. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously (12-0) by voice vote, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


 Alan Wax, Secretary

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ATTACHMENT A TO 11/16/2022 METRO CHIEFS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Date	Description	Memo	Category	Amount
BALANCE 9/20/2022				52,962.25
11/15/2...			Holiday Party Inco...	740.00
		Credit Card Fees	Fees & Charges:B...	-23.65
11/14/2...			Holiday Party Inco...	3,750.00
11/14/2...	Transfer Money		[Paypal]	2,352.87
11/14/2...		Refund - Error	Luncheon Income	-80.00
			Holiday Party Inco...	2,340.00
			Dues:Dues 2022	190.00
		Credit Card Fees	Fees & Charges:B...	-97.13
11/14/2...	Transfer Money		[MB Financial Bank]	-2,352.87
11/3/2022	1Mike Kuryla	Holiday Party Gift S...	Holiday Party Expe...	-500.00
11/3/2022	1Andy Dina	Holiday Party Gift S...	Holiday Party Expe...	-500.00
11/3/2022	1Steve Evans	Holiday Party Gift S...	Holiday Party Expe...	-500.00
11/3/2022	1Empress Banq... 45		Luncheon Expense	-1,600.00
11/3/2022	Transfer Money		[Paypal]	802.52
11/3/2022	Transfer Money		[MB Financial Bank]	-802.52
11/2/2022		Cash from Meeting	Luncheon Income	60.00
		Foster Coach	Holiday Party Inco...	250.00
		FGM Architects	Holiday Party Inco...	250.00
		Ottosen Dinolfo	Holiday Party Inco...	250.00
11/2/2022			Dues:Dues 2022	150.00
			Luncheon Income	40.00
		Credit Card Fees	Fees & Charges:B...	-8.11
11/2/2022			Luncheon Income	140.00
		Railside Citrus	Holiday Party Inco...	500.00
		Credit Card Fees	Fees & Charges:B...	-19.37
11/1/2022	Transfer Money		[Paypal]	6,064.24
11/1/2022			Luncheon Income	760.00
			Holiday Party Inco...	5,310.00
			Dues:Dues 2022	240.00
		Credit Cards Fees	Fees & Charges:B...	-245.76
11/1/2022	Transfer Money		[MB Financial Bank]	-6,064.24
10/15/2...	1Beach Park Fir...	Postage - Vendor Fl...	Holiday Party Expe...	-59.85
10/15/2...	1Tracy Kenny	Mailing	Holiday Party Expe...	-371.30
10/15/2...	1Kris Murphy	Holiday Party Gift S...	Holiday Party Expe...	-500.00
10/15/2...	1Tracy Kenny	Holiday Party Gift S...	Holiday Party Expe...	-500.00
10/3/2022	1Positive Promo...	Holiday Party Guest ...	Holiday Party Expe...	-5,483.90
9/21/2022	1Tom Deegan	Reimbursement - Ex...	Executive Board L...	-295.66
9/21/2022 - 11/15/2022				4,185.27
BALANCE 11/15/2022				57,147.52
TOTAL INFLOWS				24,189.63
TOTAL OUTFLOWS				-20,004.36
NET TOTAL				4,185.27

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Metropolitan Fire Chiefs - 2022 Budget as of 11/15/22

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2022</u>	Notes:
<u>Income:</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
Directory	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Dues	\$ 18,680.00	\$ 3,115.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 20,655.00	114.75%
Interest	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Lunches	\$ 1,970.00	\$ 4,540.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 3,950.00	65.83%
Symposium	\$ 2,575.00	\$ 3,310.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 8,630.00	143.83%
Home Day	\$ -	\$ 4,930.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 6,450.00	161.25%
Holiday Lunch	\$ 140.00	\$ 21,905.00	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 14,390.00	51.39%
Secretary Lunch	\$ 630.00	\$ 3,990.00	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 5,815.00	111.83%
Misc Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 862.00	
Total Income	\$ 23,995.00	\$ 41,790.00	\$ 67,200.00	\$ 60,752.00	90.40%
Expenditures:					
General:					
Bank Fees	\$ -	\$ 108.56	\$ 25.00	\$ 15.00	60.00%
Credit Card Fees	\$ 289.20	\$ 1,025.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,473.65	147.37%
Charter/Filing	\$ 11.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 10.00	\$ -	0.00%
Lunch meetings	\$ 1,416.00	\$ 5,956.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,240.00	104.00%
Office Supplies	\$ 41.19	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -	0.00%
Postage	\$ 55.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 127.60	127.60%
Refunds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Printing	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ -	0.00%
Legal Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	0.00%
Sick/Welfare	\$ 530.60	\$ 319.73	\$ 300.00	\$ 665.65	221.88%
Total	\$ 2,342.99	\$ 7,424.29	\$ 8,285.00	\$ 8,521.90	102.86%
Executive Board:					
Guest/Speakers	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	0.00%
Lunch meetings	\$ 960.85	\$ 1,025.30	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,165.45	180.45%
Legislator Luncheon	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0.00%
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ 40.75	\$ -	\$ 287.00	0.00%
Total	\$ 960.85	\$ 1,066.05	\$ 7,200.00	\$ 2,452.45	34.06%
Special:					
IFCA Candidate	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
IFCA Hospitality	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
IFCA Scholarship	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0.00%
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	0.00%
Donations	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,001.00	50.03%
Directory					
Website	\$ 5,830.00	\$ 5,830.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,830.00	97.17%
Directory Maintenance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	0.00%
Total	\$ 5,830.00	\$ 6,830.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 7,831.00	55.94%
Special Events:					
Symposium	\$ 1,613.00	\$ 2,120.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,896.40	117.93%
Golf Outing	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	100.00%
Holiday Lunch	\$ 211.34	\$ 32,931.94	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 8,415.05	28.05%
Home Day	\$ -	\$ 1,435.20	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,835.20	91.76%
Secretary Luncheon	\$ 58.79	\$ 6,543.25	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,745.50	110.65%
Total	\$ 1,883.13	\$ 44,530.39	\$ 45,500.00	\$ 25,392.15	55.81%
Total Expenditures	\$ 11,016.97	\$ 59,850.73	\$ 74,985.00	\$ 44,197.50	58.94%
Expenses Vs Income	\$ 12,978.03	\$ (18,060.73)	\$ (7,785.00)	\$ 16,554.50	

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