



Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association of Illinois
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday June 21, 2023
Meeting at 11:30
Aurelio's Pizza, 1455 W. Lake St., Addison IL



1. **Call to Order** – President Evans called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m. on June 21, 2023.

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 Steve Evans*	Winfield	X	Active Director Fred Friedl*	Beach Park	
1 st Vice President Andy Dina*	Warrenville	X	Active Director Drew Smith*	Prospect Hts.	X
2 nd Vice President Alan Wax*	Hoffman Estates	X	Active Director Tom Styczynski*	Alsip	X
Secretary Tom Gaertner*	River Forest	X	Active Director Steve Norvilas*	Pleasantview	
Treasurer Tom Deegan*	Retired Chief		Retiree Director Dick Swanson*	Retired Chief	X
Immed. Past Pres. John Christian*	Barrington	x	Active Director Paul Segalla*	Long Grove	
Sergeant-at-Arms Randy Deicke	Retired Chief	X	Active Director Jim Walters*	Schaumburg	X
Sergeant-at-Arms Jim Jackson	Retired Chief		Active Director Dave McCabe*	Aurora	X
Sergeant-at-Arms Mike Kuryla	Retired Chief	X			

Vice-President Wax declared there to be a quorum.

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

A. Approval of meeting minutes of the May 17, 2023, Executive Board Meeting.

I. A motion to approve the May 17, 2023 minutes was made by Immediate Past President Christian and seconded by 2nd Vice-President Wax.

The motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously (9-0) by voice vote.

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

A. Approval of the Treasurer's Report covering April 19, 2023, through June 19, 2023

I. The Report included a list of starting and ending balances, revenues/expenditures, and the 2023 Budget status.

II. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Director Styczynski and seconded by Director McCabe.

a. The motion to approve the Treasurer's Report passed unanimously (9-0) by voice vote. The Report and current 2023 budget are enclosed as [Attachment A on pages 3-4](#).

5. **President's Report – President Evans**

A. Discussion about the contact list including past members that we have not received dues from in quite some time. Treasurer Deegan sent this out to the board with hopes of updating the list and removing contacts from persons who are no longer interested in maintaining their membership.

B. President Evans has reached out to Kris Murphy for an update on the Installation Luncheon for this year. Kris has been unavailable for an update due to her husband being injured recently. He will reach out to Kris or Retired Chief Kenny for an update soon.

6. **Committee Reports**

A. **Bylaws** –No report

B. **Directory/Website** – Committee Chairperson Deicke stated that he will work with Chief Wax on sending out a reminder to the association that there will not be a General Meeting in July.

C. **Fundraising** – Chairperson Swanson reported that the IFCA Foundation Golf Outing on July 12th is at capacity (160 golfers). He also stated the annual fishing tournament was completed and the results are unknown.

D. **IFCA/Legislation** – Committee Chairperson Styczynski remarked that the latest legislative session has wrapped up. Bills addressing fireworks and EMS balance billing are still pending. There has been a bill introduced addressing elevator safety. It would put an elevator out of service that is awaiting "minor" repairs. The IFCA is against the

language in the bill which could affect public safety. They are requesting that previous language that helped protect the fire service and public safety be put back into the bill. More to come on this.

E. Symposium – Committee Co-Chairpersons Evans and Wax stated that Speaker Ian Bennett of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation is lined up for the September Symposium and will work with the 1-1/2hr time frame. There will be no charge for his presentation. It was mentioned that chiefs should invite their union board members to attend as well due to the subject matter. Discussion on the possibility of having representatives from Explorer Posts as a second half of the program. There was further discussion on having someone from the College of DuPage speak on the new Apprentice Program that is gaining traction. Director McCabe will be reaching out to COD for a possible speaker on the subject and to have them present at the Symposium in September as the second speaker. It was also brought up that Fire Department marketing may be a topic we may want to explore for a future program.

F. Nominating – No report.

G. Programs – Chairperson Styczynski stated that last week's Fire Service Combined Conference held in Peoria was a success. He has been receiving good feedback from attendees addressing the pros and cons of the conference. He is anticipating some changes for next years conference but overall, it looks like this conference will continue. He also stated that the new State Fire Marshal will be the speaker at the upcoming August Retiree's General Meeting.

H. Annual Banquet – No report.

I. Sick & Welfare –

- I. Bellwood Fire Chief Doug Dombek has retired. John Reitz is the current Acting Chief.
- II. Addison Fire Chief Scott Walker has retired. Eric Kramer will be replacing him as Fire Chief.

J. Metro Chiefs Association History – Chairperson Swanson advised that there was nothing to report.

7. Unfinished Business – There was no Unfinished Business

8. New Business – There is no New Business

9. Open Discussion – 2nd Vice-President Wax brought up that at a recent MABAS Division 1 Chiefs Meeting it was discussed that IFSI has some new language in their Fire Chiefs Course Approval Letter. The language states that the firefighter taking the course is considered "On-duty" and would be eligible for a Line of Duty Pension in the case of injury. Chief Wax could not find this language on current paperwork or on IFSI website. He wanted us to know that this may be out there and to be aware of this. He will continue to investigate this further. Camp I Am Me begins this week. They had 41 campers registered and 40 have shown up. We would like to help spread the word of this great camp and recruit persons who may qualify to help increase the enrollment in the future.

10. Future Meetings

- A. General/Retiree Meeting: Thursday August 3, 2023, at 11:30 a.m. – Empress Banquets, Addison
- B. Executive Board: Wednesday July 19, 2023, at 11:30 a.m. – Aurelio's Pizza, Addison

11. Adjournment

- A. A motion to adjourn was made by Immediate Past President Christian and seconded by Director Smith.
- B. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously (10-0) by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Gaertner, Secretary

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Date	Description	Memo	Category	Tax Item	Amount
BALANCE 4/18/2023					43,304.31
6/19/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		320.00
6/19/2023	Transfer Money		[Paypal]		537.47
6/19/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		580.00
			Luncheon Income		40.00
		Credit Card Fees	Fees & Charges:...		-29.53
6/19/2023	Transfer Money		[MB Financial Bank]		-537.47
6/18/2023	11llinois Fire Chiefs...	Annual Golf Outing	Golf Outing Expe...		-1,500.00
6/12/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		200.00
6/12/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		220.00
6/6/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		60.00
6/6/2023	Mail Chimp		Directory - Expense		-26.50
6/1/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		150.00
5/31/2023		Monthly Fee	Bank Charge		-50.00
5/26/2023	1Tom Deegan	Postage	Postage Expense		-126.00
		Mailing Labels	Office Supplies		-6.60
5/22/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		550.00
5/11/2023		Richton Park	Holiday Party Inc...		50.00
			Dues:Dues 2023		120.00
5/6/2023	Mail Chimp		Directory - Expense		-26.50
5/4/2023		Cash from Meeting	Luncheon Income		80.00
5/4/2023	1Empress Banquets 41		Luncheon Expense		-1,480.00
5/4/2023	1Steve Evans	Reimbursement - E...	Executive Board ...		-144.86
5/3/2023	Transfer Money		[Paypal]		1,295.06
5/3/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		600.00
			Luncheon Income		760.00
		Credit Card Fees	Fees & Charges:...		-64.94
5/3/2023	Transfer Money		[MB Financial Bank]		-1,295.06
5/1/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		270.00
4/30/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		360.00
4/30/2023		Monthly Fee	Bank Charge		-50.00
4/21/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		40.00
4/19/2023	1Tom Deegan	Reimbursement - E...	Executive Board ...		-176.60
4/19/2023 - 6/19/2023					718.47
BALANCE 6/19/2023					44,022.78

Account Balances - As of 6/19/2023

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Account	6/19/2023 Balance
Bank Accounts	
MB Financial Bank	43,972.78
TOTAL Bank Accounts	43,972.78
Cash Accounts	
Petty Cash	50.00
TOTAL Cash Accounts	50.00
OVERALL TOTAL	44,022.78

Metropolitan Fire Chiefs - As of 6/19/23

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2023</u>	Notes:
<u>Income:</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
Directory	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Dues	\$ 3,115.00	\$ 21,305.00	\$ 19,000.00	\$ 20,540.00	108.11%
Interest	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Lunches	\$ 4,540.00	\$ 3,950.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 2,120.00	35.33%
Symposium	\$ 3,310.00	\$ 8,630.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 5,560.00	61.78%
Home Day	\$ 4,930.00	\$ 6,450.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ -	0.00%
Holiday Lunch	\$ 21,905.00	\$ 23,190.00	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 200.00	0.71%
Admin Prof. Lunch	\$ 3,990.00	\$ 5,815.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 6,630.00	120.55%
Misc Income	\$ -	\$ 862.00	\$ -	\$ 455.00	
Total Income	\$ 41,790.00	\$ 70,202.00	\$ 72,000.00	\$ 35,505.00	49.31%
<u>Expenditures:</u>					
<u>General:</u>					
Bank Fees	\$ 108.56	\$ 161.98	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00	50.00%
Credit Card Fees	\$ 1,025.00	\$ 1,497.64	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 990.33	66.02%
Charter/Filing	\$ 15.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 3.00	30.00%
Lunch meetings	\$ 5,956.00	\$ 6,240.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 3,530.00	58.83%
Office Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 6.60	6.60%
Postage	\$ -	\$ 127.60	\$ 100.00	\$ 126.00	126.00%
Refunds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Printing	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ -	0.00%
Legal Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	0.00%
Sick/Welfare	\$ 319.73	\$ 665.65	\$ 300.00	\$ -	0.00%
Total	\$ 7,424.29	\$ 8,702.87	\$ 9,160.00	\$ 4,855.93	53.01%
<u>Executive Board:</u>					
Guest/Speakers	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	0.00%
Lunch meetings	\$ 1,025.30	\$ 2,699.33	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 466.10	23.31%
Legislator Luncheon	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0.00%
Miscellaneous	\$ 40.75	\$ 592.00	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Total	\$ 1,066.05	\$ 3,291.33	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 466.10	10.36%
<u>Special:</u>					
IFCA Candidate	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
IFCA Hospitality	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
IFCA Scholarship	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	0.00%
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	0.00%
Donations	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,001.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 250.00	8.33%
Directory	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Website	\$ 5,830.00	\$ 5,830.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,885.00	114.75%
Directory Maintenance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 106.00	4.24%
Total	\$ 6,830.00	\$ 9,331.00	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 7,241.00	53.64%
<u>Special Events:</u>					
Symposium	\$ 2,120.00	\$ 5,896.40	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,210.00	84.20%
Golf Outing	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	100.00%
Holiday Lunch	\$ 32,931.94	\$ 36,723.95	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 255.95	0.73%
Home Day	\$ 1,435.20	\$ 1,835.20	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	0.00%
Admin Prof. Luncheon	\$ 6,543.25	\$ 7,745.50	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 8,368.29	111.58%
Total	\$ 44,530.39	\$ 53,701.05	\$ 51,000.00	\$ 14,334.24	28.11%
Total Expenditures	\$ 59,850.73	\$ 75,026.25	\$ 78,160.00	\$ 26,897.27	34.41%
Expenses Vs Income	\$ (18,060.73)	\$ (4,824.25)	\$ (6,160.00)	\$ 8,607.73	