



Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association of Illinois
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday September 20, 2023
Aurelio's Pizza, 1455 W. Lake St., Addison IL



1. **Call to Order** – President Evans called the meeting to order at 11:33 a.m. on September 20, 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	X
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*	Lagrange	X
Treasurer Tom Deegan*	Retired Chief	X	Retiree Director Dick Swanson*	Retired Chief	X
Immed. Past Pres. John Christian*	Barrington		Active Director Paul Segalla*	Long Grove	X
Sergeant-at-Arms Randy Deicke	Retired Chief	X	Active Director Jim Walters*	Schaumburg	
Sergeant-at-Arms Jim Jackson	Retired Chief	X	Active Director Dave McCabe*	Aurora	X
Sergeant-at-Arms Mike Kuryla	Retired Chief	X			

President Evans declared there to be a quorum.

3. **Secretary's Report**

- A. Approval of meeting minutes of the August 16, 2023, Executive Board Meeting.
- I. A motion to approve the August 16, 2023 minutes was made by Retiree Director Swanson and seconded by 1st Vice President Dina.
 - II. The motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously by voice vote.

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

- A. Approval of the Treasurer's Report covering August 16, 2023, through September 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 Friedl.
 - a. The motion to approve the Treasurer's Report passed unanimously by voice vote. The Report and current 2023 budget are enclosed on pages 3-4.

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

- A. President Evans reported that Retired Chief Kenny is present for the meeting and will be giving a report on the status of the Annual Installation Luncheon.

6. **Committee Reports**

- A. **Bylaws** – No Report
- B. **Directory/Website** – Sergeant at Arms Deicke reported that there will be no General Meeting in October and the website and calendar are up to date.
- C. **Fundraising** – No Report
- D. **IFCA/Legislation** – Director Styczynski reported that they are waiting for the Veto Session to begin soon in Springfield. The siren bill and ambulance billing legislation are two of the bills that they will be watching closely. The IFCA Symposium is next month with the installation of the new IFCA Board, and presentations of the Fire Chief of the Years awards at the luncheon scheduled for Wednesday, October 18th. It is expected that next years IFCA Conference will be held sometime in September with the Annual Symposium moving back to May 2024. IFCA Board elections is still ongoing. Voting will be open until noon this Friday, September 22nd. Sergeant-At-Arms Kuryla asked if there was any discussion about moving the IFCA Conference from Peoria to another location. Director Styczynski stated there has been some discussion about that, but no other location or decision has been made at this time. They are open to this possibility, but further input and discussion must happen.
- E. **Symposium** – Committee Chairperson Wax thanked everyone for their support of the symposium. He received a lot of good feedback from attendees. The symposium netted a profit of \$2,500.00 mainly because of the five sponsors that we had for the event. President Evans added that the NFFF Speaker Ian Bennett was extremely happy with the event and has received many inquiries from attendees for more information. He also stated they could

possibly conduct an 8-hour course on the subject in the future. It was also stated that having the departments Union Board personnel in attendance was extremely beneficial.

F. Nominating – No Report

G. Programs – Chairman Styczynski stated at the November General meeting IFCA Executive Director John Buckly and himself will give an update of the IFCA. He also stated if anyone was interested in becoming the Chairperson for “Programs” to let him know. He is willing to stay in this position but may be extremely busy next year with his promotion to President of the IFCA.

H. Annual Banquet – Retired Chief Kenny and Chairman Friedl gave an update on the Annual Installation Luncheon. Restore Restoration will be donating the poinsettias for the tables. Ret. Chief Kenny asked if she could see the poinsettias before they are purchased to approve them. She also requested that they be delivered directly to the Empress the morning of the luncheon. Ret. Chief Kuryla will see that happens. The final draft of the invitation was approved, and Ret. Chief Deicke will be putting it on the Metro Chiefs website along with the link to register for the event. Treasurer Deegan stated he will send out the email with the invitation and the link to the website for registration. Ret. Chief Kenny is also looking into having Air-One Equipment donate to cover the cost of the psychics and tarot card readers. Air-One stated last year they would like to be more involved, and she thought this could be a good way to make that happen. Ret. Chief Kenny also stated that tables of ten will be available to be reserved as in the past. 1st Vice-President Dina stated he would like to see a table gift again this year. He recommended an umbrella with the Metro Chiefs logo on it. There was discussion on this subject amongst the group. 2nd Vice-President Wax made a motion to purchase 550 umbrellas for gifts, not to exceed \$6,300.00. Retiree Director Swanson 2nd the motion. The motion was passed unanimously by voice vote.

I. Sick & Welfare –

I. Wooddale Fire Chief Jim Burke is retiring in November.

II. Carpentersville FD New Fire Chief is Bill Anaszewicz

J. Metro Chiefs Association History – No Report

7. Unfinished Business – There was no unfinished business.

8. New Business- There is no new business.

9. Open Discussion – None

10. Future Meetings

A. No October General Meeting

B. Executive Board Meeting – October 18, 2023 – Location TBD (IFCA Symposium)

C. General Meeting- November 2, 2023 – Empress Banquets, Addison IL

D. Installation Luncheon/Holiday Event-December 7, 2023 – Empress Banquets, Addison IL

11. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Director Styczynski and seconded by 1st Vice President Dina.

The motion to adjourn passed unanimously by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at 12:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas D Gaertner

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Secretary

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8/16/2023 through 9/19/2023

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Date	Description	Memo	Category	Tax Item	Amount
BALANCE 8/15/2023					44,122.79
9/19/2023	Transfer Money		[Paypal]		100.88
9/19/2023	Transfer Money		[MB Financial Bank]		-100.88
9/16/2023		Unique Apparel Sol...	Symposium Income		500.00
9/16/2023			Symposium Income		105.00
		Credit Card Fees	Fees & Charges:...		-4.12
9/7/2023	Transfer Money		[Paypal]		4,223.81
9/7/2023			Symposium Income		35.00
		50/50 Proceeds	Miscellaneous Inc...		282.00
		50/50 - Kevin Wile...	Miscellaneous Inc...		143.00
9/7/2023	1Empress Banquets	100	Symposium Expe...		-3,650.00
9/7/2023		Chicago Water & F...	Symposium Income		500.00
			Symposium Income		1,165.00
			Dues:Dues 2023		10.00
		Credit Card Fees	Fees & Charges:...		-67.30
9/7/2023	Transfer Money		[MB Financial Bank]		-4,223.81
9/6/2023	Mail Chimp		Directory - Expense		-26.50
8/25/2023	1Illinois Fire Safety...	Golf Outing Spons...	Donations - Expe...		-500.00
8/25/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		150.00
			Symposium Income		1,090.00
		IPRF	Symposium Income		500.00
		Railside Citrus	Symposium Income		500.00
		NPPFA Benefits	Symposium Income		500.00
		Credit Card Fees	Fees & Charges:...		-97.39
8/24/2023			Dues:Dues 2023		40.00
8/23/2023	1Steve Evans	Reimbursement - E...	Sick & Welfare Ex...		-324.00
8/16/2023 - 9/19/2023					850.69
BALANCE 9/19/2023					44,973.48

Account Balances - As of 9/19/2023

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Account	9/19/2023 Balance
Bank Accounts	
MB Financial Bank	44,923.48
TOTAL Bank Accounts	44,923.48
Cash Accounts	
Petty Cash	50.00
TOTAL Cash Accounts	50.00
OVERALL TOTAL	44,973.48

Metropolitan Fire Chiefs - As of 9/19/23

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2023</u>	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
Income:					
Directory	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Dues	\$ 3,115.00	\$ 21,305.00	\$ 19,000.00	\$ 22,380.00	117.79%
Interest	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60.08	Bank??
Lunches	\$ 4,540.00	\$ 3,950.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 3,060.00	51.00%
Symposium	\$ 3,310.00	\$ 8,630.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 11,585.00	128.72%
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	\$ -	\$ 880.00	
Total Income	\$ 41,790.00	\$ 70,202.00	\$ 72,000.00	\$ 44,795.08	62.22%
Expenditures:					
General:					
Bank Fees	\$ 108.56	\$ 161.98	\$ 400.00	\$ 300.00	75.00%
Credit Card Fees	\$ 1,025.00	\$ 1,497.64	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,264.54	84.30%
Charter/Filing	\$ 15.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 3.00	30.00%
Lunch meetings	\$ 5,956.00	\$ 6,240.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,808.80	96.81%
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	\$ 324.00	108.00%
Total	\$ 7,424.29	\$ 8,702.87	\$ 9,160.00	\$ 7,832.94	85.51%
Executive Board:					
Guest/Speakers	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	0.00%
Lunch meetings	\$ 1,025.30	\$ 2,699.33	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,098.97	54.95%
Legislator Luncheon	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0.00%
Miscellaneous	\$ 40.75	\$ 592.00	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Total	\$ 1,066.05	\$ 3,291.33	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 1,098.97	24.42%
Special:					
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	\$ 1,250.00	41.67%
Directory	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Website	\$ 5,830.00	\$ 5,830.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,885.00	114.75%
Directory Maintenance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 185.50	7.42%
Total	\$ 6,830.00	\$ 9,331.00	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 8,320.50	61.63%
Special Events:					
Symposium	\$ 2,120.00	\$ 5,896.40	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 7,860.00	157.20%
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	\$ 17,984.24	35.26%
Total Expenditures	\$ 59,850.73	\$ 75,026.25	\$ 78,160.00	\$ 35,236.65	45.08%
Expenses Vs Income	\$ (18,060.73)	\$ (4,824.25)	\$ (6,160.00)	\$ 9,558.43	

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Symposium 9-7-23
6/1/2023 through 9/16/2023

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9/7/2023	S			Symposium Income		35.00
9/7/2023	1301	Empress Banquets 100		Symposium Expe...		-3,650.00
9/16/2023		Unique Apparel Sol...		Symposium Income		500.00
8/15/2023	S			Symposium Income		1,130.00
8/25/2023	S			Symposium Income		1,090.00
		IPRF		Symposium Income		500.00
		Railside Citrus		Symposium Income		500.00
		NPPFA Benefits		Symposium Income		500.00
9/7/2023	S	Chicago Water & F...		Symposium Income		500.00
				Symposium Income		1,165.00
9/16/2023	S			Symposium Income		105.00
6/1/2023 - 9/16/2023						2,375.00
TOTAL INFLOWS						6,025.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS						-3,650.00
NET TOTAL						2,375.00

Outstanding
OSFM \$140
WILMETTE \$70