

**ILLINOIS TERRORISM TASK FORCE**  
**Minutes of Membership Meeting**  
**September 23, 2015**  
**Attendees**

**Members**

**Adams/McDonough Counties** – Joe Henning  
**AIR-ONE** – Randall Olson\*  
**Am. Public Works Association** – Vydas Juskelis\*  
**American Red Cross** – Scott Clarke  
**Archer Daniels Midland Co.** – Clint Fairow, Lehman Waisvisz  
**Associated Fire Fighters of IL** – Pat Devaney  
**Center for Public Safety & Justice**– Jennifer Rominger  
**CMS** –  
**CHUG** – Rose Coniglio  
**City of Aurora** – Joseph Jones  
**Cities of Bloomington/Normal** – Michael Humer  
**Cities of Champaign-Urbana** – Brian Nightlinger, Kyle Hensch  
**City of Chicago** – Dan Ellis  
**City of Joliet** –  
**City of Naperville** – Dan Nelson\*, Steve Schindlbeck\*  
**City of Peoria** –  
**City of Rockford** –  
**City of Springfield** - Mike Midiri  
**Cook County DHSEM** – Tom Tilton  
**DuPage County OHSEM** – Bill Babyar, Jeremy Hirst  
**IL Association of Chiefs of Police** – Jan Noble\*  
**IL Association of Public Health Admin.** – Toni Corona, Amy Fox  
**IL Association of School Boards** – Zachary Messersmith  
**IL Board of Higher Education** – Brook Stewart  
**IL Campus Law Enforcement Admin.** – Joe Drought\*  
**IL Coalition of Comm. Blood Centers** – Lee Milner  
**IL College of Emergency Physicians** – Jason Kegg  
**IL Community College Board** – Susan Drone  
**IL Council of Code Administrators** – Gerald Tienstra  
**IL Coroners Association** – Cinda Edwards  
**IL Criminal Justice Authority** – John Maki  
**IL Dept. of Agriculture** –  
**IL Dept. of Corrections** –  
**IL Dept. of Human Services** – Amy Dickenson-Ferguson  
**IL Dept. of Military Affairs** – Randy Sikowski, Robert Bland\*  
**IL Dept. of Natural Resources** – Rafael Gutierrez  
**IL Dept. of Public Health** – Win Rawls  
**IL Dept. of Transportation** – Amy Eller  
**IL Dept. on Aging** – Bert Weber  
**IEMA** – Jenifer Johnson, Michelle Hanneken  
**IESMA** – Curtis Hawk  
**IEPA** –  
**IL Firefighters Association** –  
**IL Fire Chiefs Association** – Joe Holomy  
**IL Fire Service Institute** – Royal Mortenson, Mac McCastland  
**ILEAS** – Jim Page, Dave Snyders, Pete Smith  
**ILETSB** – Susan Nichols, Jeff Fritz  
**IMERT** – Moses Lee\*, Chris Jansen\*  
**IL OSFM** – Matthew Perez  
**IL Public Health Assoc.** – Nora Hoover  
**IL Public Health Mutual Aid System** – Amanda Minor  
**IL Public Works Mutual Aid Network** –  
**IL Sheriffs' Association** – David Hunt  
**IL State Police** – Chad Peterson, Steve Lyddon  
**IL State's Attorneys Association** –  
**Lake County ESDA** – Michael Jackson\*  
**Metro East** – Don Fehr  
**MABAS** – James Reardon  
**Quad Cities** –  
**Reg. Superintendents of Schools** –  
**Secretary of State Police** – Sydney Roberts, Rick Beaty  
**Will County EMA** – Harold Damron

**Staff Members**

**Don Kauerauf, Chair, ITTF**

Aders, Darryl – **ISP**  
Briner, Chad – **IEMA**  
Clark, Deb – **ILEAS**  
Clark, Ron – **WIU**  
Crouch, Caleb - **ING**  
Damm, Abby – **WIU**  
Desai, Lisa – **IEMA**  
Dieckman, Craig\* - **DuPage County OHSEM**  
Dwyer, Marty - **IEMA**  
Evans, Bob – **IEMA**  
Fleming, Bob – **IEMA**  
Gembara, Bob - **IEMA**  
Gray, Brian – **ISP**  
Harney, Tim - **ISP**  
Kusterman, Aaron - **ISP**  
Martin, Janie – **IEMA**  
Murphy, Eric - **IEMA**  
Pate, Janet - **IEMA**  
Pfeifer, Julie - **WIU**  
Reichert, Ashley - **WIU**  
Riemann, Dan - **ING**  
Sorrentino, Alana - **WIU**  
Stewart, Jay – **ISP**  
Thompson, Patti – **IEMA**  
Tyrell, Dora – **ISP**  
Wall, James - **ING**  
Washam, Bucky – **IESMA**  
Webster, Tony - **ISP**  
Williams, Jason - **IEMA**  
Wolf, Jim – **WIU**

**Federal Advisory Members**

Laabs, Weston – **USCG\***  
Pennell, Kevin – **DHS**  
Thompson, Paul – **US Army Reserve**

**Advisory Members**

**Other**

Brooks, Connie – **LaSalle EMA**  
Crocetti, Mitchell – **IL Fire Services Assoc.**  
Galluzzo, Paul - **Air-One\***  
Lonbom, Kirk – **CMS**

\*attended by video conference at DuPage County OHSEM

**Illinois Terrorism Task Force (ITTF) – Full Meeting – September 23, 2015 – 1:00 p.m.  
Held at the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) and via video conference at  
DuPage County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DuPage County OHSEM)**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Kauerauf welcomed everyone attending the meeting at IEMA and acknowledged the members attending via video conference at DuPage County OHSEM.

Chairman Kauerauf took roll call of the membership to determine if a meeting quorum was present. Membership quorum was acknowledged.

Chairman Kauerauf called for any public comment(s). No comments.

Chairman Kauerauf discussed the meeting agenda and noted that Colonel Sikowski, Illinois National Guard, will provide a briefing on an upcoming training event during “Other Business”. Also, a report from the Crisis Prevention and Response Committee will be presented during “Committee Reports”.

- ***Motion to adopt the September 23, 2015, agenda.***

***Motion to Adopt: Michael Humer, Cities of Bloomington-Normal  
Seconded: Michael Midiri, City of Springfield  
Motion Carried.***

**National/State Homeland Security Update**

Aaron Kusterman, Chief, Statewide Terrorism and Intelligence Center (STIC) Illinois State Police (ISP), provided a briefing on national intelligence trends.

**Minutes**

- ***Motion to adopt the minutes from the July 22, 2015, Full Meeting.***

***Motion to Adopt: Joseph Holomy, Illinois Fire Chiefs Association  
Seconded: Curtis Hawk, Illinois Emergency Services Management Association  
Motion Carried***

**Homeland Security Advisor/IEMA Director Update**

Director Joseph discussed the resolution to create the Illinois Targeted Violence Prevention Program.

- ***Motion for the Illinois Terrorism Task Force to recommend and accept by its authority that the State engage and collaborate in efforts to prevent violent extremism by creating the Illinois Targeted Violence Prevention Program and that such a program reside within an agency designated by the Governor’s Homeland Security Advisor.***

***Motion to Create: Bill Babyar, DuPage County OHSEM  
Seconded: Michael Midiri, City of Springfield***

***Discussion on the resolution.***

- ***At this time, a budget amount has not been determined to support the program.***

***Motion Carried – all in favor.***

## Committee Reports

### Community Resilience Committee – Co-Chair Michelle Hanneken reported.

The committee met on September 16, 2015. Discussion was based on the four focus areas of the committee:

1. Functional Needs
  - a. TIPS Guide: Emergency Preparedness Tips for Those with Functional Needs has been updated. It is located on the ready.illinois.gov webpage at this link, where we are keeping all of our information on functional needs updated. <http://www.illinois.gov/ready/plan/Pages/FunctionalNeeds.aspx> The Illinois Department of Public Health has the finalized tips guide geared towards first responders who may encounter those who have a functional or access need. Anticipated released in October.
  - b. Training: Illinois Department of Public Health is continuing to work with the American Red Cross regarding a variety of training courses geared towards those with functional and access needs. This training is conducted on a regional basis and recently has involved caregivers, with an emphasis on emergency preparedness to including planning and making a kit.
  - c. FAN Fair: The committee has sponsored a couple of events related to functional needs preparedness called Functional and Access Needs (FAN) Fairs. Another FAN Fair is planned for the Spring of 2016 in Jacksonville. More information will be provided as it becomes available.
2. School Preparedness/Training
  - a. Ready Campus: Four campuses have achieved the state standards required for designation. Bob Elliott, School and Campus Safety Manager, Western Illinois University, is dedicated to a variety of the school preparedness, planning, and training programs that will be the focus of the School and Campus Workgroup moving forward.
  - b. A presentation was conducted at the annual IEMA Training Summit in early September regarding all of the Ready programs in Illinois. This presentation will be located on the summit website at [http://www.illinois.gov/iema/Training\\_Summit/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.illinois.gov/iema/Training_Summit/Pages/default.aspx) . It is noted that several presentations at the summit could provide value to committee members, covering topics such as social media and Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).
3. Public Awareness:
  - a. Upcoming events:
    - i. America's PrepareAthon is September 30<sup>th</sup>. It is a national day of action to increase community preparedness and resilience. Members are encouraged to participate; visit the website for more information (<http://community.fema.gov/>).
    - ii. The Great Central U.S. ShakeOut will be held on October 15, 2015, at 10:15 a.m. The goal of this exercise is to encourage people to participate in the earthquake drill. Anyone can participate at any location. Last year, more than 577,000 Illinoisans registered. Please participate and register at <http://www.shakeout.org/centralus/>.
    - iii. The sixth annual Prairie State Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Challenge will be held on October 3, 2015, at the College of DuPage Homeland Security Education Center. This year, 10 local CERT teams will come together to participate in a graded event that includes 10 separate stations. Nearly 200 people participate each year in the event, which is hosted by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA).
  - b. 2015 monthly preparedness themes: Patti Thompson, IEMA Public Information Officer, reviewed the upcoming monthly preparedness topics. As always, there will be a press release and a number of activities highlighted around the particular month. The months include:
    - i. September: National Preparedness Month
    - ii. October: Cyber Security Preparedness
    - iii. November: Winter Weather Preparedness
    - iv. December: Holiday Safety
  - c. Ready Congregation: IEMA currently has five pilot sites throughout the state working on achieving the standards. It was originally hoped that they would be completed in late summer for a full program roll

out during September. Due to the severe weather, many of them have experienced delays in implementation. In the interim, several other organizations have asked to join the pilot, especially after they heard more about it at the IEMA Training Summit. More information on the exact status is available in the summit PowerPoint presentation link above. It is hoped that the program will be fully available by the end of calendar year 2015.

- d. Non-Commercial Sustained Announcements: The Illinois Broadcasters' Association (IBA) is in the process of producing new spots with Steve Harvey. Current spots can be found on our website at <http://www.illinois.gov/ready/multi-media/Pages/PSA.aspx>

#### 4. Volunteerism and Partnership

- a. Disaster Corps: The concept, whereby the Serve Illinois Commission utilizes one or two members from each of their AmeriCorps program subrecipients to serve in times of disaster, has been more formalized. Members from the local AmeriCorps programs are being recruited now, and the program lead has been taking all of the recommended training courses to ensure they will be helpful for those involved in the program implementation. The goal is to have a statewide volunteer management capability to augment any needs at the local level.

The committee's next scheduled meeting is December 16, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. at the State Emergency Operations Center with a teleconference line available.

#### Crisis Response and Prevention Committee – Lieutenant Colonel James Winters reported.

- The Committee met on July 7, 2015.
- He introduced the new statewide State Weapons of Mass Destruction Team (SWMDT) Commander, Lieutenant Bob Gembara, and introduced the State Weapons of Mass Destruction Team Coordinator, Trooper Brian Gray.
- He invited the ITTF membership to a demonstration and orientation of the SWMDT. Tentative date of the demonstration is October 14, 2015, in Springfield.

#### Critical Transportation and Infrastructure Security Committee – reported by Amy Eller.

Critical Transportation Committee Mission Statement was handed out and rewritten to add verbiage regarding pipelines/utilities.

The committee discussed the five core capabilities and selected from the 31 capabilities directly associated with the committee purpose.

- **Prevention** – Intelligence and Information Gathering
- **Protection** – Supply Chain Integrity and Security
- **Mitigation** – Community Resilience
- **Response** – Critical Transportation
- **Recovery** – Infrastructure Security

The committee selected three ideas on how to coordinate between committees:

1. Coordination/Communication with other committees needs to be established after we know what the mission statements are so that we can cross reference.
2. Committees need to be versatile – sharing information, more than just once a month.
3. After committee mission statements are collected and cross referenced, guidance needs to be set by the ITTF for overlapping priorities.

#### Sub-Committee Reports:

Downstate Public Transit – SWAT training being conducted.

Evacuation/Implementation – meeting held in Chicago on June 16, 2015.

- Presentation of the documentation for the Illinois Homeland Security Strategy was given to members.

- Updating of all 11 evacuation plans for the Chicago central business district will commence this year with the next meeting being scheduled for updated plans to begin to be submitted.
- Argonne National Labs has received a \$2.9M grant from the Federal Railroad Association to conduct a Mass Transit study for emergencies and disasters. CTA, Pace and Metra will participate.

#### Inland Waterway and Port Security

- Continuing maintenance on 25 response watercraft stationed throughout the state of Illinois.
- Purchased five all weather vessels (boats). Vessels distributed in each region this summer.

#### Railroad Security

- Crude Oil Litigation is ongoing by rail legislators.
- Members are working with IEMA on the State Emergency Response Commission.

#### Training/User Outreach

- Transportation Security Conference to be held in East Peoria the week of September 21-24, 2015.
- Strategic National Stockpile Full Scale Exercise was conducted August 13-15, 2015. IDOT participated.
- IDOT participated in the Illinois National Guard Prairie Assurance Catastrophic Earthquake Exercise conducted August 24-28, 2015, at Camp Lincoln (Airport) in Springfield.
- The committee suggested having a presentation at the Transportation Security Conference on First Net Emergency Communications. First Net Architect Bill Springer will present.

#### **Emergency Management Committee** – Bucky Washburn reported

The committee met on July 9, 2015, and September 22, 2015.

At the July 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, the distribution of over 200 weather radios that were awarded through the IEMA regional contest was discussed. Also, discussed was the effectiveness of portable weather radios instead of the desktop radios. The committee agreed that portable weather radios should be purchased in the future.

EM-COM Report/Site Visits - CMS has donated five cargo trailers that will be transferred to IESMA on July 10<sup>th</sup>. Details on repairs, use, and locations of trailers have not been finalized.

The committee also discussed current and future structure recommendations:

Add “strategic coordination” to the committee’s mission statement.

The following core capabilities directly relate to the committee’s purpose/function :

- Prevention – Intelligence and Information Sharing
- Protection – Risk Management for Protection Programs and Activities
- Mitigation- Risk and Disaster Resilience Assessment
- Response – Public and Private Services and Recourse and Situational Assessment
- Economic Recovery was chosen as an extra consideration

At the September 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting, Air-One (representatives - Randall Olsen and Teresa Rawailot) was introduced as a new committee member.

EM-COM Report/Site Visits – the annual generator host sites (12) were visited and equipment inspected. Two of the sites, Adams and Lee counties, have a large amount of hours on their generators due to extreme weather and a power outage and the Dickson Correctional Facility.

Discussion on the repairs, use, and location of CMS donated trailers continued. Chairman Kauerauf has requested the committee determine the committee needs for the trailers and how the trailers would fulfill those needs. He requested they present the concept to the ITTF membership for discussion to determine how to integrate the trailers with the homeland security strategy.

**Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Committee** – reported by Jim Page

The Governing Board met on August 27, 2015.

Executive Director Page introduced Larry Evans, Chief of Staff for the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS).

Executive Director Page expressed his appreciation to everyone who supported SB 2042. ILEAS, MABAS and IEMA testified before a House Joint Appropriations Committee on August 10<sup>th</sup> to support SB2042, which authorized the “passing through” of purely federal funds to the intended recipients. The House passed SB2042 on August 12<sup>th</sup>, and the Senate passed it a week later. The Governor signed the bill on August 20<sup>th</sup>. It is recommended that the ITTF work in the coming months to ensure that this does not happen again by supporting legislation that provides “continuing appropriations” status to the Homeland Security Emergency Preparedness Trust Fund in the next session of the General Assembly.

**ILEAS Membership**

On March 3, 2014, ILEAS unveiled a newly improved and upgraded mutual aid agreement. ILEAS staff started working to encourage member agencies to sign the new agreement. Here are some stats that were reported to the Governing Board (updated since then):

Number of Law Enforcement (LE) Agencies in Illinois	1,047
Number of LE Agencies That Signed the Original Agreement	929
Number of LE Agencies That Have Signed the New Agreement	834 (90%)

**Republican National Convention – 2016**

ILEAS and Chicago Police Department were contacted by the Cleveland, Ohio, Division of Police in January 2015 about providing assistance during the Republican National Convention, which takes place July 18-21, 2016. We provided some materials to Cleveland at that time. On August 18<sup>th</sup>, Cleveland reached out to ILEAS to request assistance. On August 19<sup>th</sup>, we had a conference call with one of their Deputy Chief’s and some of their planners. They requested 240 Mobile Field Force Officers, three Bearcats and 30 Mobile Field Force trained bicycle officers. The costs for the planning and the actual deployment will be paid by Cleveland.

ILEAS currently has a roster of 504 Mobile Field Force trained officers and deputies who are employed by 181 agencies. To date, 116 agencies have tentatively committed 208 officers. ILEAS will be discussing the possibility of requesting bike officers from the NIPAS Mobile Field Force Team next week.

On August 27<sup>th</sup>, the ILEAS Governing Board approved ILEAS staff to engage Cleveland in further planning of the deployment. Discussions are currently underway between our General Counsel and the attorneys for Cleveland with regard to the request for assistance contract. An advance trip is being planned for a date in the next two weeks.

**Training Committee** – reported by Susan Nichols

The committee met on September 22, 2015, at the Illinois Fire Service Institute, University of Illinois, Champaign Campus.

**Committee Member Update**

Jill Ramaker, the newly appointed Executive Director of the Northeastern Illinois Public Safety Training Academy was introduced.

**Illinois 5 Year All-Agency Exercise Plan**

The committee discussed the benefits of a schedule for exercises along with topics, guidelines, after action reports and IEMA policy.

**2016 CERFP External Evaluation (June 20-24, 2016)**

The National Guard Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and high Yield Explosive Enhanced Response Force Package (CERFP) external evaluation will take place June 20-24, 2016, at the Illinois Fire Service Institute. The purpose of CERFP is to provide support to civil authorities. Members of the Illinois National Guard were present to discuss the project.

**Regional Training Center Maintenance**

The committee discussed funding mechanisms and maintenance cycles for the RTCs.

### ITTF Training Committee Mission and Responsibilities

Colonel Mortenson led a discussion about the work of the committee over the past year to define its mission and responsibilities. The revised mission statement identifies 1) who we are, 2) our task/action and 3) the purpose/result.

*The Illinois Terrorism Task Force Training Committee will ensure ITTF funded public safety training is consistent with the Illinois Homeland Security Strategy in order to contribute to overall whole community preparedness.*

### Review of Illinois Terrorism Task Force Policies

ITTF Policy 2007(5) – Overtime and Backfill

ITTF Policy 2011(1) Validation of Mobile Support Teams

Committee members had a general discussion about each policy and will provide recommendations at the next Training Committee meeting.

Next meeting – October 29, 2016, IFSI, 10:00 a.m.

### Homeland Security Grant Funding Report

Michelle Hanneken, Grants and Policy Manager, provided a briefing on the historical background of funds received for the Illinois Homeland Security Grant Program, the closing of FFY2013 grant on August 31, 2015, and the receipt of the FFY 2015 grant award.

### ITTF Chair Report

Chairman Kauerauf encouraged the ITTF membership to provide topics/items to be discussed or addressed for future ITTF meetings. He also stressed the importance of membership ensuring the topics/items that are discussed at the ITTF meetings are being communicated with those agencies/organizations they represent.

Chairman Kauerauf discussed an upcoming workshop – “Starting Point” which will provide an introduction to the ITTF and homeland security in Illinois for new members and organizations. This workshop will be held October 27, 2015, at IEMA, 2200 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield.

Chairman Kauerauf provided a briefing on the FY 2016 Short-Term Continuing Resolution.

Chairman Kauerauf introduced the following new voting member appointees: Theresa Rawailot, Air One; Sargent Steve Schindlbeck, City of Naperville; Jeremy Hirst, Deputy Director at DuPage County OHSEM; and Tom Hughes, Executive Director, Illinois Public Health Association.

### Old Business

Trooper Brian Gray presented a briefing on the Illinois State Weapons of Mass Destruction Team Exercise that occurred on August 4 - 7, 2015, in the Quad Cities.

Kirk Lonbom, Chief Information Security Officer, CMS, provided a Cyber Security update. He discussed the upcoming National Cyber Security Awareness month and the five “call to action” topics that will be addressed during the month of October. He also will develop a survey for the ITTF membership to complete concerning their agencies’ policies and actions on cyber security.

Chief Kauerauf challenged the ITTF membership to take one of the five “call to action” initiatives and develop/implement a new policy or best practice within their organization/agency. These will be presented at the December ITTF meeting.

## **New Business**

Aaron Kusterman, Chief, Statewide Terrorism and Intelligence Center (STIC) Illinois State Police (ISP), provided a briefing on September 11, 2015: Countering Violent Extremists.

## **Extended Public Comment**

Colonel Sikowski, Illinois National Guard, provided a briefing on upcoming trainings in Israel, "The Shared Future - November 2015" is being held November 8-12, 2015, and the International Population Disaster Readiness, Resilience, Response and Recovery Workshop is being held November 15-19, 2015.

## **Motion to Adjourn**

***Motion to Adopt:***            ***Jim Page, ILEAS***  
***Seconded:***                ***Joseph Holomy, Illinois Fire Chiefs Association***  
***Motion Carried.***

## **Upcoming ITTF Meetings**

The next full meeting will be held Wednesday, December 9, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. at the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, 2200 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, Illinois 62703. The video conference site at the DuPage County OHSEM, 418 North County Farm Road, Wheaton, IL 60187 will be available.