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I. Call To Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

President Macko called the February 22, 2012 MABAS-IL Executive Board Meeting to order at 13:04 hours.

Roll Call:

Present: Division 1, Division 2, Division 3, Division 4, Division 5, Division 6, Division 7, Division 8, Division 10, Division 11, Division 12, Division 13, Division 14, Division 15, Division 16, Division 17, Division 18, Division 19, Division 20, Division 21, Division 22, Division 23, Division 24, Division 25, Division 26, Division 27, Division 28, Division 29, Division 30, Division 31, Division 32, Division 33, Division 35, Division 36, Division 37, Division 38, Division 39, Division 40, Division 41, Division 43, Division 44, Division 48, Division 49, Division 50, Division 53, Division 54, Division 55, Division 56, Division 57, Division 61, Division 62, Division 64, Division 65, Division 66, Division 68,

Absent: Division 9, Division 34, Division 42, Division 45, Division 46, Division 47, Division 51, Division 52, Division 58, Division 59, Division 60, Division 63, Division 67.

Being 55 of 68 Divisions were present, a quorum was in attendance.

Others in attendance:

MABAS-IL Elected Board: President Jeff Macko, 1st Vice President Terry Lipinski, 2nd Vice President Randy Justus, Comptroller Paul Maplethorpe.

MABAS-IL Staff: Jay Reardon, CEO, Larry Jamarozek, Scott Small, Dave Fleege, Ed Murphy, Al Vrshek, Darin Beckman.

Pete Smith, ILEAS, Patrick Gallagher, MABAS-IL Liaison to Wisconsin.

II. Agenda Additions, Deletions, Amendments, Approval

A. Agenda procedural amendment to include public comment item on agenda at beginning and end of meeting

Motion: Division 54 and Division 2 to accept

Discussion: None

Motion Approved: Approved by unanimous voice vote

- B. President Macko asked the audience for any public comments. There were none.
- C. Add item 2C, Elections and Bylaws Committee Report concerning nominations For 1st Vice President. Second Vice President Justus reported that one packet had been received by the Election and Bylaws Committee for the position of 1st Vice President. The packet had been submitted by current 1st Vice President Lipinski. Justus then asked for nominations from the floor. None were received. A second call for nominations from the floor was called for with none being received. A third and final call for nominations was requested and none received.

Recommendation was made by 2nd Vice President Justus to close the floor for nominations. President Macko closed the floor for nominations.

III. Minutes-Motion to Amend or Approve the Minutes of the October 12, 2011 MABAS Executive Board

Motion: Division 24 and Division 32 to accept the minutes of the October 12, 2011 MABAS Executive Board as presented.

Discussion: None

Motion Approved: Approved by unanimous voice vote

IV. Guests, Introductions, Recognition and Welcome

Pete Smith, ILEAS Liaison

Bill Bullock, IAFC

Jim Watts, OSFM

over 10 years.

Zack Riddle, Illinois National Guard

V. Public Comment Period – Non agenda items

Ted Burger, OSFM: Moving forward with fire code upgrade (2012 edition). Going through JCAR process currently. Anticipates stakeholders coming forward and recommends that the fire service reach out to legislators in a show of support.

Mr. Burger further reported on pending legislation: OSFM items include SB 3373 (HB 4468) revision to grant and loan programs. SB 3633 (HB 5472), Emergency Powers Bill. Gives OSFM more ability to hold violators. SB 2959 (HB 4546) eliminates haz mat panel as it has not been used in several years.

VI. Agency Representatives Remarks

A. Office of the State Fire Marshal

B. Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System

Pete Smith, ILEAS, requested his remarks be deferred until later in the meeting.

VII. Finance, Budget, and Comptroller's Report

A. General Fund, Grant Fund, Enterprise Fund

- i. General Fund \$421,773
- ii. Grant Fund \$13,700,000, spent \$13, 671,000 (121,219 remaining for disbursements not yet made).
- iii. Enterprise Fund \$20,284
- iv. Dues 284,267
- v. Total 726,267

Motion: Motion was made by Division 24, second by Division 22, to accept the Treasurers report as presented.

Discussion: None

Motion Approved: By Unanimous voice vote

B. Dues Report 2011 and Dues Invoices for 2012

C. Grant Status Matrix, Report of 2008, 2009, 2010 grants

CEO Reardon announced that fiscal year 2008 is close to being closed out with the exception of some pending items. Fiscal year 2009 and 2010 are active. 2011 was recently awarded and released.

D. SHGP and UASI Grant Award for 2012

i. SHGP Sub-Grant Award 2012: Reardon stated future revenues will be lower, but we have the ability to maintain current levels of service for the next 18-24 months.

ii. UASI Sub-Grant Award 2010-2011: Funds from DHS that have not been spent in previous years across the United States. This is largely attributed to the UASI's. We will be looking for "shovel ready" projects to draw down these funds as monies become available to us from the UASI funds.

E. Grant Communication and General Awareness Items

We are currently awaiting announcement of projects that have been selected for 2012 funding.

VIII. Attorney and Legislative Reports

A. 2012 Fire Service Caucus Legislative Actions

MABAS-IL has four bills we are supporting. Liability, tax exemption, MAMA-C and resolution to support future funding. Details were included in the meeting packet.

B. Disbanding of Fire Department and Obligations of MABAS

Karl Otterson discussed issues of communities closing fire departments and then relying on mutual aid to provide this service. However mutual aid is mutual, with the expectation that assistance will be returned. Under MABAS-IL, the legal obligation to provide assistance to neighbors electing not to provide a fire department would not be reciprocal and therefore is not required,

C. Legal Counsel Awareness Remarks-Other Legislative Agenda Matters

IX. Policy for Consideration and Possible Adoption

A. 2nd Vice President Justus reported for the Bylaws and Election Committee. The Bylaws Committee is recommending the Bylaws be changed to reflect the current meeting

scheduling status of three meetings per year. This was presented two meetings ago but action was not taken due to lack of a super quorum.

Motion: Division 24 and 15 moved to approve the recommendation of the By-Laws and Election Committee in regard to reducing the number of required meetings from a minimum of 4 per year to a minimum of 3 per year

Discussion: None.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 43, 44, 48, 49, 50, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 62, 64, 65, 66, 68. Nays: None

Motion Approved: Approved 53 ayes, 0 nays.

- B. By-Laws Committee-By-Law Amendment Allowing for Change From A Minimum of Four to a Minimum of Three Meetings Per Calendar Year.

- C. Presidents Action Regarding MABAS Committee Appointments
President Macko reported that there had been some requests for inclusion on several committees. While some appointments have been made, additional vacancies exist. Those interested in assuming a committee position should contact President Macko.

- D. Election for Position of 1st Vice President

Motion: Motion made by Division 53 to cast a unanimous ballot for Terry Lipinski and elect him as 1st Vice President. Second by Division 24.

Discussion: None.

Motion Approved: By Unanimous voice vote.

X. Committee Reports

- A. Pre-Conference Committee Work Plans Briefing and Submissions to Board
- i. USAR: Scott Small reported they have identified civilian worker and K-9 asset liability issues as a priority. Other issues are the replacement and scheduling of replacement tools and equipment, and a Type 3 search component. Rapid needs assessment teams are needed and would assist with Triple R response. Triple R continues to be fielded. Additionally there will be consideration for other resources that would be useful for USAR responses.
 - ii. HazMat: Don Davids reported: Replacement of gas monitors, maintenance and calibration were identified as key issues.
 - iii. Water Rescue: Spencer Kimura reported identification of training agencies and curriculum, validation, survey of swift water teams, establishment of operations teams, and defining the goals and scope of sub-surface water rescue teams.
 - iv. Operations: Steve Olson reported Blue Card certification has been deemed not appropriate for MABAS. Development of an operations guide and partnering with assisting agencies are priority issues.
 - v. Communications: Enhancement of capabilities in primary and secondary dispatch centers is the priority.
 - vi. Technical Rescue: Job Performance standards, expansion of the MABAS website for communication, and planning for Triple R are goals.

- vii. FILO: Brian Wilson reported development for field reporting, identification of target receiver groups, and a field guide are priorities.
- viii. MIST Committee : Tom Lovejoy reported the goal was to develop further capability and assistance to Divisions, develop structure for participation and interaction. Eligibility for membership and rostered will be further defined.
- ix. Mechanics: John Rjyke reported further development of definition and deployment packages is being prepared. Continuing a positive relationship with the Illinois Fire Mechanics Group remains a priority.
- x. MAMAC: John Cratty reported the group is updating standards and working to assist states in completing their mission of developing legislation to assist in intrastate mutual aid. The goal is to further use the website to assist in moving projects forward and keeping the membership informed.
- xi. Bylaws and Elections: The complete review of the bylaws and recommendations on changes is the top priority. Additionally the committee will be working to ensure functional Staff compliance with election procedures and dates, survey the membership regarding Board Meetings locations, and complete a survey in regard to video-conferencing of meetings.
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XI. CEO Report

CEO Reardon requested committee documents be sent to MRC for incorporation into this year's mission goals.

- E. Updated Special Operation Teams Rostering Procedures for Training and Team Staffing Performance Requirements. New guidelines have been developed based on need rather than first come prioritization.

Teams without minimum required personnel are to be informed as to when classes are available or scheduled. Teams in need will be priority. Teams not meeting the requirements have been removed from the State-wide Plan.

- F. MABAS Newsletter "BACKTALK" Volume I was sent out in January. The next edition will be distributed in April, then quarterly thereafter. Tom Lovejoy is the editor. Send articles you would like included to Lovejoy.

G. Resources Added to Field Inventory

- i. Three Mobile Ventilation Units have been brought on line since our last meeting, bringing the number of MVU to a total of 8. The new units are Cook County UASI units, but capable of responding and assisting throughout the state. Chicago Fire has plans to deploy an additional 4 units.
- ii. EMS Support Unit (Morgue). This unit is now in-service. It contains basic life support capability, backboards, and can be used as a field morgue. One is currently available and is stationed at the MRC.
- iii. Three Mission Support Units (MSU's , Second Generation) are in service. They are located in the North, Central and South areas of the state.

- iv. Two 53 foot semi trailers to be positioned in central and southern Illinois in preparation for the earthquake threat. This equipment includes a Tent City.
- v. Water Rescue: Five two-tier Boat Systems have been deployed. Equipment is to be distributed to the recognized dive teams. This project is approximately 40% completed..
- vi. IFERN Base Radio Grant Project: Awaiting EHP's from the Federal Government. Comptroller Maplethorpe volunteered to assist agencies experiencing difficulties with the EHP process.
- vii. Divisional Administrative Liaison Initiative now includes 50 representatives, many of which were present at the pre-conference meeting.
- viii. Third Tent City Operational. This has increased our capacity to 880 bunk spaces.
- ix. Divisional Assigned Expedient Shelters. Fifty of seventy units have been assigned to Divisions. We are awaiting UASI funding to complete the project.

XII. Capital Projects Report

CEO Reardon reported on the MRC-MCC Readiness Build Up. Enhancements include the USAR Mobility Processing and Storage Project (shelving). Equipment has been ordered and this component should be complete in approximately 1 month.

The communications/dispatch project at the MRD is moving forward and will be operational prior to the Spring Thing events in May.

XIII. New Business

No new business was brought forward for consideration or discussion.

XIV. Old Business

G8/NATO Summit. Pete Smith reported ILEAS has taken the law enforcement lead for G8/NATO. The summit is scheduled for May 19-21 (at McCormick Place) and will include a host of additional venues. Special security will be provided for the event. The Secret Service is in charge of protective issues, the FBI is responsible for the intelligence component, and FEMA is responsible for consequence management. Chicago OEMC is the lead agency for Chicago. This is largely a law enforcement event with other disciplines serving in a support role. While the Federal role is protection of dignitaries and heads of state, disruptions and demonstrations will be left to local law enforcement.

Delegations are free to choose where they wish to stay. While the Secret Service would prefer delegations stay close to City of Chicago, it is up to each attendee to determine where they will be staying. It may be that many of the attendees will commute to the suburbs to be with their hosts.

Others that will be attending are the demonstrators. Anti-war protesters, anarchists, and the occupy movement may include up to 100,000 persons. While most will be there to demonstrate it is anticipated that others will be here to destroy and provoke possible litigation opportunities.

Chicago has requested Mobile Field Force assistance from ILEAS. Communications is and will continue to be a priority. ILEAS will support the City of Chicago, ILEAS Region 4.

CEO Reardon: Has sent letter to metropolitan Divisions inviting them to an informational meeting that will be held at the MRC. The intent of the meeting will be to discuss large scale joint operations. The MABAS goal is to assist local fire departments in events that may occur. Preparation should include ensuring CBRN mask readiness, map and adapter familiarization, general planning and preparedness measures.

Humanitarian Service Awards. President Macko reported the humanitarian service awards will be replaced shortly.

Exercise Potential-Charleston, June 12. CEO Reardon reported there may be a field exercise (not a validation) in the Charleston area. This may involve special teams and possible Triple R activities.

Elected Officials (State) Appreciation Plaque Presentations. CEO Reardon discussed the elected officials recognition program. The goal of presenting the plaques is to develop relationships and support. Informational CD's are included in meeting packets to assist in preparing for presentation of the plaques.

Narrow-banding Direction and Revisions. Comptroller Maplethorpe reported the narrow-banding calendar is not perfect but is a good template for assisting in planning. A calendar has been developed to assist planning in regard to this process. Maplethorpe asked each Division to plan ahead and comply with the calendar in order to avoid problems. A revision to the calendar is being made as 6 counties had been inadvertently left out of the process. The revised information will be delivered shortly

Grant Fund Strategy. CEO Reardon reported our goal will be to maintain what we have through our combined efforts and commitments. MABAS-IL realizes it abilities and capabilities through the hard work, efforts and commitment of the Divisions, the staff and the elected board. We will need to continue our hard work and commitment into the future. We will need to remain agile and flexible similar in vision to what the Triple R capability will provide to our teams.

XV. Divisional Reports

A. Illinois Divisions

- i. Divisions 1-10. No Report.
- ii. Divisions 11-20. No Report.
- iii. Divisions 21-30. No Report.
- iv. Divisions 31-40. No Report.
- v. Divisions 41-50. No Report.
- vi. Divisions 51-60. No Report.

vii. Divisions 61-68. No Report.

B. Wisconsin, Indiana, Michigan

- i. Wisconsin. Bruce Hedrington reported Wisconsin recently authorized its 40th Division. The Second annual MABAS-WI Conference will be held in August.
- ii. Indiana. Indiana has now elected their own board and has formally adopted their by-laws. Indiana has now reached a total of six divisions.
- iii. Michigan. No report.

C. Allied Agency Reports

No Allied Agency reports.

D. New Illinois Divisions

No applications pending.

XVI. Closing Public Comment Period

Tom Lovejoy invited all members to join the *LinkedIn* MABAS network.

Pat Gallagher complimented MABAS-WI on their growth and the many ongoing projects that are being accomplished.

XVII. Adjournment

Motion: Division 68 made a motion to close the meeting at 14:37 hours. Second by Division 2.

Discussion: None

Motion Approved: Approved by unanimous voice vote

Next Meeting: Target date of July 2012. This meeting will be held at MABAS MRC in Wheeling.

Minutes respectfully Submitted by

Randy Justus

2nd Vice-President, MABAS-IL