

**Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police
Executive Board Meeting
The Classic Center
Athens, GA
Sunday, February 10, 2013**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the President, Chief J. Frank Waits.

President J. Frank Waits requested Executive Director Frank V. Rotondo read the roll call.

Roll Call

President, Chief Frank Waits
1st VP, Chief David Lyons
2nd VP, Chief M. Keith Glass
**3rd VP, Chief George N. Turner
4th VP, Chief Steven Heaton
Chairman of District Reps., Chief George Stagmeier
Immediate Past President, Stan York
**General Counsel, Michael A. Caldwell
Executive Director, Frank V. Rotondo

** Indicates Board member not in attendance.

Others in Attendance:

Chief Woodrow Blue, East Point PD; Bruce Bowers, Massey & Bowers; Director Dan Branch, City of Buford; Chief Jeff Cato, West Point PD; Chief Armand L. Chapeau,(Retired); Chief H.C. "Skip" Clark II, Peachtree City PD; Chief Stacy L. Cotton, Covington PD; Chief Louis Dekmar, LaGrange PD; Chief Wayne Dennard, Acworth PD; Chief Dennis L. Dorsey, Winder PD; Chief Dan Flynn, Marietta PD; Deputy Director Frank Green, Bainbridge PS; Chief Billy Grogan, Dunwoody PD; Chief Billy J. Hancock, Ocilla PD; Special Agent in Charge Reginald Johnson, CSX Railroad PD; Community Affairs Liaison Alice Johnson, Atlanta PD; Chief Mike Jones, Suwanee PD; Chief Chris Leighty, Morrow PD; Chief Joseph H. Lumpkin, Sr., Athens-Clarke County PD; Director Eric Miller, Bainbridge PS; Retired Deputy Chief Glen Mowrey, Charlotte-Mecklenburg PD; Chief Dennis Nelson, Metter PD; Acct. Executive Chuck Orms, Appriss; Chief Gary Owens, Grovetown PD; Ret. Special Agent Bob Pence, FBI; Chief Connie Sampson, Georgia State University PD; Chief Charlie Sewell, Powder Springs PD; Acct. Manager Ken Sifferlen, Appriss; Exec. Director Ken Vance, POST; Chief Charles Walters, Gwinnett County PD; Chief Bill Westenberger, Kennesaw PD; Life Member Mike Wilkie, Bob Jones University; Chief Gary Yandura, Hiram PD

Presentation of Previous Minutes

- **Motion made by *Chief Steven Heaton*, seconded by *Chief Keith Glass*, to accept the minutes of January 16, 2013. Motion passed unanimously.**

Financial Report

- Executive Director Rotondo presented the financial reports. **Motion made by Chief David Lyons, seconded by Chief Keith Glass, to accept the financial reports dated December 30, 2012. Motion passed unanimously.**

Executive Director's Report

- **Life Membership**

Executive Director Rotondo requested Life Membership for retired Chief Stanley E. Hook of Smyrna Police Department, and retired Chief Investigator Jeff Lang of the Georgia Medical Board. **A motion was made by Chief David Lyons, seconded by Chief George Stagmeier to grant Life Membership to Chief Stanley E. Hook and Chief Investigator Jeff Lang. Motion passed unanimously.**

Executive Director Rotondo indicated that an application was offered for Life Membership for retired Director of Public Safety Jim Steele of the Gwinnett County School Police. However, Executive Director Rotondo requested additional items to properly vet the credentials of Director Jim Steele to see if they fit into the category necessary to be deemed a Life Member of GACP. **A motion was made by Chief George Stagmeier, seconded by Chief David Lyons, to table the application of Director Jim Steele until Executive Director Rotondo's completion of his vetting. Motion passed unanimously.**

- **P.O.S.T.**

Executive Director Rotondo deferred to Director of Public Safety, Connie Sampson of the Georgia State University Police Department asking her to go over her committee report regarding recommendations made to the Georgia P.O.S.T. Council. Upon completion of her review, which had already been approved by the Executive Board at the January 16, 2013 meeting, Director Vance was asked to make some brief comments regarding GACP recommendations. Director Vance indicated he would bring the recommendations to the P.O.S.T. Council for consideration.

- **Appriss**

Executive Director Rotondo introduced Appriss Account Manager Kevin Sifferlen as well as an Appriss sub-contractor Bruce Bowers. The account manager and sub-contractor spoke briefly about Appriss's BuyCrash Program. They indicated that GACP was very instrumental in having the State of Georgia achieve a reporting rate of over 70%.

- **House Bills**

Executive Director Rotondo spoke briefly about several bills that were pending at the State Capitol. Those bills included, but not limited to, HB 1, HB 59, HB 79, HB 72 and HB 35. With respect to HB 1, Executive Director Rotondo spoke briefly about general concerns regarding that bill. **A motion was made by Chief David Lyons, seconded by Board Member Stan York requesting Executive Director Rotondo apprise the**

author, Chairman Wendell Willard that GACP has grave concerns regarding many of the highlighted areas in HB 1. Motion passed unanimously.

➤ **GACP's Mental Health White Paper**

Executive Director Rotondo deferred to President Frank Waits to speak briefly about his goal of re-working GACP's Mental Health White Paper. In substance, President Frank Waits indicated that our government officials will not directly address mental health concerns this legislative session. Therefore, GACP will be postponing review of their Mental Health Paper until our government officials highlight how they wish to proceed on mental health issues in Georgia.

➤ **Winter Training Conference**

Executive Director Rotondo requested all members attending the GACP Winter Training Conference be seated at the business meeting no later than 9:00 am on Tuesday, February 12th. Executive Director Rotondo indicated that after the business meeting, there will be a block of instructions from several GACP members and one school official dealing with school security issues. Chief Dan Flynn of the Marietta Police Department, Chief Mark Kissel of the Cherokee County School District and William Sebring, Principal of Woodstock High School will be conducting that important training.

Executive Director Rotondo spoke briefly about the handing out of door prizes Tuesday, February 12 at approximately 12:05 pm. Additionally, he indicated that the 2014 Winter Training Conference will be held at the Omni Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia.

President's Report

➤ **GACP Area 3 All Hazard Council**

President Frank Waits indicated the appointment of Chief Wayne Cain of the Dublin Police Department to be one of GACP's Area 3 All Hazard Council representatives. He asked if any board members had any concerns about the appointment. After hearing there were no concerns, the appointment became official.

Executive Board Reports

- 1st VP, Chief David Lyons – None
- 2nd VP, Chief M. Keith Glass – None
- 3rd VP, Chief George N. Turner – None
- 4th VP, Chief Steven Heaton – Not present
- Chairman of Distr. Reps., Chief George Stagmeier - None

Old Business

None

New Business

➤ **IACP**

Chief Stacey Cotton of the Covington Police Department announced that Chief Louis M. Dekmar will be announcing his candidacy to seek the open position of IACP's 4th Vice President at the Orlando, Florida conference in late fall of 2015.

Adjournment

- **Motion made by *Chief Keith Glass*, seconded by *Chief David Lyons*, to adjourn.
Motion passed unanimously.**