

**Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police  
Executive Board Meeting  
GACP, Duluth, GA  
April 25, 2013**

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**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

1<sup>st</sup> VP, Chief David Lyons

2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Chief M. Keith Glass

3<sup>rd</sup> VP, Chief George N. Turner

4<sup>th</sup> VP, Chief Steven Heaton

Immediate Past President, Stan York

Chairman of District Reps., Chief George Stagmeier

Executive Director, Frank V. Rotondo

General Counsel, Michael A. Caldwell

\*\* Indicates Board member not in attendance.

In accordance with the GACP Constitution and Bylaws, it was noted that a quorum of Executive Board members were in attendance.

**Others in Attendance:**

Chief Chris Leighty, Morrow P.D.; Chief Billy Grogan, Dunwoody P.D.; Director Vernon Keenan, GBI; Alice Johnson, Atlanta P.D.; Director Paul Maharry, GACP; Director Mark Bender, GACP; and Director D. Mike Edwards, GACP

**Presentation of Previous Minutes**

- Executive Director Rotondo presented for review the minutes of the last Board meeting. **Motion made by *Chief Keith Glass*, seconded by *Chief Steve Heaton*, to accept the minutes of the March 12, 2013, Board meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Financial Report**

- Executive Director Rotondo presented the financial reports dated February 28, 2013. **Motion made by *Chief David Lyons*, seconded by *Chief George Turner*, to accept the financial reports dated February 28, 2013, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Executive Director's Report**

- Life Membership  
Executive Director Rotondo asked the Board to consider Life Membership for Chief Ben Eubanks of the Roosevelt Facility Police Department in Warm Springs, effective date June 1, 2013. **Motion made by *Chief David Lyons*, seconded by *Chief Keith Glass*, to award Life Membership to Chief Ben Eubanks, effective June 1, 2013. Motion passed unanimously.**

- **State Certification Director**  
Executive Director Rotondo reminded the Board and all in attendance of the retirement of State Certification Director, Mike Edwards, effective April 25, 2013. GACP Board members commended Mike Edwards for his contribution to the GACP and the State Certification program. Additionally, the Board was reintroduced to the new Director of State Certification, Mark Bender. At that time President Waits requested the Board consider awarding Life Membership to D. Mike Edwards based upon Article II, Section 3(iv) of the GACP Constitution. **Motion made by *Chief Steve Heaton*, seconded by *Director Stan York*, to approve Life Membership for Director Mike Edwards. Motion passed unanimously.**
- **IACP Life Membership**  
President Waits requested GBI Director Vernon Keenan address the Board on a matter of importance. Director Keenan, on behalf of the IACP President, awarded IACP Life Membership to Frank Vincent Rotondo.
- **Honorary Life Membership**  
President Waits requested a motion to award Honorary Life Membership to Frank Vincent Rotondo based upon Article II, Section 7(i) of the GACP Constitution. **Motion made by *Chief Stan York*, seconded by *Chief George Turner*, to award Life Membership to Executive Director Frank V. Rotondo. Motion passed unanimously.**
- **2014 GACP Budget**  
Executive Director Rotondo offered for consideration the GACP Board approval of the GACP 2014 budget. As a reminder to all Board members, that budget was remitted to them a month ago for their review. A discussion occurred regarding two possible ways the budget could be accepted. **Motion made by *Chief Keith Glass*, seconded by *Chief David Lyons*, to accept the 2014 budget, which includes the consolidation of salary and peripheral costs of Director Tony McClung into the GACP personnel and expense line items. Motion passed unanimously.**
- **Overview of State Certification Program Changes**  
Executive Director Rotondo deferred to GACP's new State Certification Director, Mark Bender, to give an overview of a few changes that will occur in the program with respect to the current 5<sup>th</sup> Edition Standards and the Onsite Final Report form. Additionally, Director Bender spoke briefly about some ideas regarding future changes that he will be discussing with the State Certification Committee.
- **National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)**  
Executive Director Rotondo spoke briefly about a 2:00 pm meeting with NAMI officials and several members of the GACP Executive Board. He focused his comments on GACP's concerns regarding financial transparency.
- **Membership Applications**  
After a conversation regarding membership applications, a **motion was made by *Chief Steve Heaton*, seconded by *Chief Stan York* to memorialize in the minutes of this meeting a past GACP Board decision, coupled with past precedence, that the GACP executive director shall review and approve/deny applications for GACP membership as part of his official**

**normal duties, as per Article II, Section 9 (c) of the GACP Constitution. Motion was approved by a quorum of the Executive Board.**

- POST Ad Hoc Committee  
GACP board members evaluated GACP's Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation regarding the POST Equivalency of Training (EOT) Examination, as well as the awarding of executive certificates. Due to time constraints, **a motion was made by *Chief Keith Glass*, seconded by *Chief David Lyons*, to table this issue until the May 2013 board meeting. Motion passed unanimously.**

### **President's Report**

None

### **Board Reports**

- 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Chief David Lyons – None
- 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Chief Keith Glass – spoke briefly about the erosion of the relationship between the Georgia Sheriffs' Association (GSA) and the GACP and how he would like to see the relationship get stronger.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> VP, Chief George Turner – None
- 4<sup>th</sup> VP, Chief Steven Heaton – wanted to thank Connie Sampson, Chief /Assistant Vice President for the Georgia State University Police, for her contribution as the committee chair of the POST Ad Hoc Committee.
- Immediate Past President, Chief Stan York – was firm in his belief that the GSA was responsible for the eroding relationship among the two associations and that under GSA's current leadership, a meaningful and fraternal relationship was doubtful.
- Chairman of District Representatives, Chief George Stagmeier – None

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

None

### **Adjournment**

- **Motion made by *Chief George Turner*, seconded by *Chief Steve Heaton*, to adjourn.  
Motion passed unanimously.**