

**Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police
Executive Board Meeting
Alderman Hall
Forsyth, Georgia
December 7, 2017**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the President, Warden Dennis Nelson.

President Dennis Nelson asked Executive Director Rotondo to read the roll call.

Roll Call

President, Warden Dennis Nelson

1st VP, Chief Joseph Wirthman

2nd VP, Chief Wesley Walker

3rd VP, Chief Tony Tanner

**4th VP, Chief J. Frank Waits

Immediate Past President, Chief Billy Grogan – Chief Grogan was present right before the roll call; however, he had to leave to attend another meeting. He did return to the board meeting in time for the executive session.

Chairman of District Reps., Chief William Westenberger

Executive Director, Frank V. Rotondo

**General Counsel, Michael A. Caldwell – Attending IACP business meeting

***Indicates Board Member not in attendance*

Under the GACP Constitution and By-Laws, a quorum of Executive Board Members was in attendance.

Others in Attendance: Chief Eddie Harris, Forsyth PD; Executive Associate Director, Steve Heaton, GILEE; Chief Keith Sandefur, Cairo PD.

Presentation of Previous Minutes

Executive Director Rotondo presented the minutes of the October 31, 2017 board meeting for review.

Motion made by *Chief Joseph Wirthman* and seconded by *Chief Tony Tanner* to accept the minutes with corrections of the October 31, 2017 Board Meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

Executive Director Rotondo addressed several line items in the financial report so that all the members in attendance clearly understood some of the expenditures. Executive Director Rotondo distributed to all board members a copy of GACP's financial report dated October 31, 2017 one week prior to GACP's Board Meeting as per policy. **Motion made by *Chief Wesley Walker* and seconded by *Chief Joseph Wirthman* to accept the financial report dated October 31, 2017 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

Executive Director's Report

- ❑ Life Membership
 - David Lyons - Executive Director Rotondo asked the Board to consider Life Membership for Chief David Lyons of Garden City PD. Executive Director Rotondo advised that Chief Lyons qualifies for Life Membership. **Motion made by Chief Joseph Wirthman and seconded by Chief Tony Tanner to grant Life Membership to Chief David Lyons. Motion passed unanimously.**
 - Edward Oglesbee - Executive Director Rotondo asked the Board to consider Life Membership for Chief Edward Oglesbee upon his official retirement date. Executive Director Rotondo advised that Chief Oglesbee qualifies for Life Membership. **Motion made by Chief Wesley Walker and seconded by Chief Joseph Wirthman to grant Life Membership to Chief Edward Oglesbee. Motion passed unanimously.**
 - Charles Moore - The Executive Board deviated from the normal Life Membership procedure to award Charles Moore of Leesburg PD for Life Membership. Chief Moore, whose health is failing, has been a member of GACP for many years. **Motion made by Chief Tony Tanner and seconded by Chief Joseph Wirthman to grant Life Membership to Chief Charles Moore. Motion passed unanimously.**
- ❑ Discussion on Consideration for Honorary Life Membership – Executive Director Rotondo requested the Board consider Honorary Life Membership for a GACP member who is a law enforcement professional that retired from another state, but is still actively assisting police chiefs in the State of Georgia. **Motion made by Chief Joseph Wirthman and seconded by Chief Tony Tanner to grant Honorary Life Membership accordingly.** It is anticipated the Honorary Life Membership will be awarded at the Winter Training Conference business meeting
- ❑ Request for a GACP Foundation Reorganization Committee –The GACP president in conjunction with the Foundation president requested a reorganization committee be established. Appointed to that committee from the Board was Chief Tony Tanner and in his absence, Chief Billy Grogan.
- ❑ Newsletter – Should we continue? (Discussion) – Executive Director Rotondo opened for discussion the status of GACP's newsletter as to whether we continue producing an electronic newsletter or we seek alternate means of distributing information to the members. After the Board discussion, President Nelson requested this item be tabled and be addressed at the next meeting.
- ❑ Staff Reorganization – Executive Director Rotondo spoke briefly about a reorganization within the GACP; more particularly, the renaming of several job titles.
 - Director of Operations – Special Projects Coordinator
 - Director of State Certification – Certificate & State Certification Coordinator - Tentative Rename

The renaming of the above positions will take place on or about January 2018.

- ❑ New 4th Vice President Candidate Announcement– Bruce Hedley, Lilburn PD – Executive Director Rotondo stated to the board members that Chief Bruce Hedley of Lilburn PD has officially announced that he will be seeking the 4th Vice President position at the 2018 Summer Training Conference. The director indicated that already announcing their candidacy for that same position is:
 1. Charles Spann, Chattahoochee Technical College PD
 2. James Callaway, Morrow PD

- ❑ Executive Director Rotondo spoke briefly about reorganization at the Summer Training Conference to possibly eliminate the traditional banquet and to replace that banquet with a luncheon. President Nelson requested that the Chairman of the District Reps, Chief Bill Westenberger canvas the District Reps and Committee Chairs as to whether this change would be more suitable to GACP members.

- ❑ Executive Director Rotondo indicated that he was approached by managers from LexisNexis and asked if he would review two of their main programs for possible endorsement purposes. 1) Overtime and Scheduling Systems and; 2) Desk Officer Reporting System. Executive Director Rotondo reviewed the programs on Wednesday, December 6, 2018 and indicated that those are excellent programs; however, he was concerned with embracing any one software company. President Nelson requested that this item be tabled for further discussions at a future meeting.

President's Report

- ❑ Discuss how to Increase attendance at STC Banquet – President Nelson commented on some of the discussed concepts associated with the Executive Director's report.

Executive Board's Report

- *1st VP, Chief Joseph W. Wirthman*
 - No report at this meeting

- *2nd VP, Chief Wesley Walker*
 - No report at this meeting

- *3rd VP, Chief Tony Tanner*
 - No report at this meeting

- *4th VP, Chief J. Frank Waits*
 - Not Present

- *Chairman of District Representatives, Chief William Westenberger*
 - Chief Westenberger spoke briefly about 2 items:
 - FirstNet Project – AT&T was awarded the contract for FirstNet; further information will be available at a future meeting.

- Chief Westenberger indicated that many of the districts are now actively conducting training meetings.
- *Immediate Past President, Chief Billy Grogan*
 - No report at this meeting
- *General Counsel, Michael A. Caldwell*
 - Not Present

Old Business

- None

New Business

- None

Executive Session

- **Motion made by *Chief Tony Tanner* and seconded by *Chief Joseph Wirthman* to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Motion passed unanimously.**

The focus of the Executive Session was the selection of an Assistant Executive Director.

- **Motion made by *Chief Joseph Wirthman* and seconded by *Chief Billy Grogan* to exit the Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.**

Adjournment

Motion made by *Chief Tony Tanner* and seconded by *Chief Joseph Wirthman* to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.