

**Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police
Executive Board Meeting
Georgia Public Safety Training Center
Forsyth, Georgia
May 22, 2019**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the President, Chief Joseph Wirthman.

President Wirthman read the roll call.

Roll Call

President, Chief Joseph Wirthman

1st VP, Chief Wesley Walker

2nd VP, Chief Tony Tanner – Present via remote telephone call

**3rd VP, Chief J. Frank Waits

4th VP, Chief Bruce Hedley

Immediate Past President, Warden Dennis Nelson

Chairman of District Reps., Chief Bruce Carlisle

Executive Director, Frank V. Rotondo

General Counsel, Michael A. Caldwell

***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: Assistant Executive Director Dwayne Orrick, GACP; Chief Allan Rowe, Valdosta State University PD; LE Coordinator Dan Greathouse, ROCIC; Director Billy Mixon, Command College @ Columbus State University.

Presentation of Previous Minutes

President Wirthman presented the minutes of the March 14, 2019 board meeting for review. **Motion made by Chief Bruce Carlisle and seconded by Chief Wesley Walker to accept the minutes of the March 14, 2019 Board Meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

Financial Report

Executive Director Rotondo distributed to all board members a copy of GACP's financial report dated April 30, 2019 at least one week prior to GACP's Board Meeting as per policy. **Motion made by Chief Wesley Walker and seconded by Warden Dennis Nelson to accept the financial report dated April 30, 2019 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

Executive Director Rotondo advised Connie Sampson reviewed the Financial Report and the 2020 Budget and all appeared to be in order.

Executive Director's Report

- Life Membership or Special Award
 - Bruce Carlisle requested that Carol Martin, retired police chief with Gainesville PD receive life membership. Executive Director Rotondo received Article 2 Section 3

Number 4 of the Constitution quoting the waiver of time for life membership. **Motion made by Chief Bruce Carlisle and seconded by Chief Bruce Hedley to accept Life Membership for Carol Martin.** It was noted during the discussion that former Chief Carol Martin had only served as a police chief for 4 years. After a discussion and realizing that there was a parallel between her time served as chief and Elaine Snow, retired chief from Rome PD, the motion was amended requesting life membership for both Elaine Snow and Carol Martin under the above section of the Constitution. **Amended motion made by Chief Bruce Carlisle and seconded by Chief Tony Tanner. Motion passed unanimously.**

- A further discussion occurred regarding life membership, as well as, other areas of the GACP Constitution and By-Laws which resulted in President Wirthman asking Chief Wesley Walker to consider putting together a committee to review all phases of the GACP Constitution and By-Laws. Chief Walker agreed and will be putting a committee together to review the GACP Constitution.
- IACP/SACOP Resolution (GILEE) - Executive Director Rotondo spoke briefly about an IACP Executive Director's Resolution with respect to GILEE.
 - The Executive Director's Division of the IACP was requested to support GILEE through a resolution or a letter. The Executive Director's Division, after hearing a presentation from Dr. Friedman at the mid-year SACOP meeting, agreed to support the GILEE program. Once the resolution was presented to SACOP for their consideration IACP/SACOP indicated they support sound law enforcement training in general, including GILEE, but could not foster the growth of any particular program.

The above is just for information purposes.
- 2020 Winter Training Conference
 - Executive Director Rotondo had asked the training coordinator to review several venues for our 2020 Winter Training Conference. Those venues were Cobb County Galleria, the Convention Center in Augusta, Georgia, and venues in Atlanta. At this point, a recommendation cannot be made. Professional GACP member Billy Mixon, suggested that the Columbus area be considered a venue for GACP's 2020 Winter Training Conference.
 - Executive Director Rotondo indicated he would take contact information from Billy Mixon and provide that information to GACP Training Coordinator Monica Duran.
- Presentation of GACP's 2020 Budget (2019 – 2020)
 - GACP's 2020 Budget had been presented to the Board approximately 3 weeks prior to the May 22, 2019 Board meeting. The Board members asked several questions with respect to the budget; all answers by Executive Director Rotondo appeared to have been accepted. **Motion made by Warden Dennis Nelson and**

seconded by *Chief Tony Tanner* to accept the 2020 GACP Budget. Motion passed unanimously.

- It should be noted that the board members were apprised that if they wish a breakdown of any line item in the budget, they should call the GACP office and it will be sent over to them.

- ❑ Assistant Executive Director Orrick spoke about Risk Reduction Certification (RRC). Assistant Executive Director Orrick indicated the RRC Program should be released by the Summer Training Conference.

- ❑ Assistant Executive Director Orrick conversed with Director Ray Saxon at GPSTC about one of Chief Wesley Walker's goals dealing with salary and benefits for law enforcement officers throughout the state. Director Saxon had indicated to Assistant Executive Director Orrick that he was willing to assist in the endeavor.

- ❑ Assistant Executive Director Orrick spoke briefly about his work on a special project supported by the IACP and being shepherded through the John J. College of Criminal Justice. He indicated that a special meeting would be forthcoming in LaGrange, Georgia with respect to that project.

President's Report

- *President, Chief Joseph Wirthman*
 - No report at this meeting

Executive Board's Report

- *1st VP, Chief Wesley Walker*
 - No report at this meeting

- *2nd VP, Chief Tony Tanner*
 - No report at this meeting

- *3rd VP Chief J. Frank Waits*
 - Not present at this meeting

- *4th VP, Chief Bruce Hedley*
 - No report at this meeting

- *Chairman of District Representatives, Chief Bruce Carlisle*
 - No report at this meeting

- *Immediate Past President, Warden Dennis Nelson*
 - No report at this meeting

Executive Session

- **Motion made by *Chief Bruce Hedley* and seconded by *Chief Bruce Carlisle* to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Motion passed unanimously.**

The focus of the Executive Session was a personnel matter, as well as, a yearly evaluation of the executive director. Interviewed individually during that executive session was Assistant Executive Director Dwayne Orrick, General Counsel Michael Caldwell, and Executive Director Frank V. Rotondo.

- **Motion made by *Warden Dennis Nelson* and seconded by *Chief Tony Tanner* to exit the Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.**

A decision regarding the executive director's general performance was not made at this meeting. An executive session will be conducted at the July 2019 board meeting once all members of the Board submit their evaluations of the executive director to the president.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- None

Adjournment

Motion made by *Chief Bruce Carlisle* and seconded by *Chief Tony Tanner* to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.