

ILLINOIS TERRORISM TASK FORCE
Minutes of Chairs and Full Meetings
May 27, 2009
ATTENDEES

Members

Chamness, Mike – **Illinois Terrorism Task Force-Chair**

Arnold, Damon - **IL Department of Public Health**
Beckwith, Mark – **ILEAS**
Bergsten, Derek – **City of Rockford**
Betthausen, Robert/Walsh, Larry – **IL Fire Service Association**
Bleich, Marta – **DuPage County OEM**
Bondi, Jim – **IL Campus Law Enforcement**
Chattin, Jody/O’Connell, Daniel – **City of Chicago**
Christensen, Dave, **IESMA**
Clarke, Scott– **American Red Cross**
Crane, Michael – **Illinois Security Chiefs Association**
Damron, Harold, **Will County EMA**
Dato, David/Holomy, Joseph – **IL Fire Chiefs Association**
Feher, Donald – **Metro-East (St. Clair-Madison)**
Hillard, Mark – **IL Public Health Mutual Aid System**
Hoots, Diane/Rick Tate – **CMS**
Jaehne, Dick, **IFSI**
Koch, Gary – **Illinois Municipal League**
Kunkle, Jim – **IL Department of Agriculture**
Lux, Larry – **American Public Works**
Mann, Mike – **IL Board of Higher Education**
Matkaitis, Larry – **Office of State Fire Marshal**
McKenzie, Kent, **Lake County EMA**
Meek, Ron – **IL Department of Corrections**
Midiri, Mike/Bridges, Mark - **City of Springfield**
Morelock, Joe - **IL Department of Natural Resources**
Nichols, Michael – **IL Coroners Association**
Nichols, Susie - **ILETSB**
Nightlinger, Brian – **Cities of Champaign-Urbana**
Noble, Jan – **IL Association of Chiefs of Police**
Phelps, David– **IL Department of Transportation**
Ramos, David – **Cook County OEM**
Reardon, Jay - **MABAS**
Snyders, Michael/Heffner, Brendan – **Illinois State Police**
Stiehl, Barbara – **IL Public Works Mutual Aid Network**
Swinford, Scott – **IL Department of Military Affairs**
Tameling, Hero – **IL Department of Human Services**
Vroman, Doug – **Quad Cities**
Walker, Scott – **Adams/McDonough County**
Watson, Leland - **Cities of Bloomington-Normal**

Federal Advisory Members

Bacon, Dan – **US Attorney’s Office**
Chaney, Joe - **FBI**
Contos, Nick – **US Department of Energy**
Delfin, Randy – **US Postal Inspection Service**
Rifkind, Stuart – **US Department of Energy**
Rushing, Randy – **US Department of Homeland Security**
Vanhorn, Christine – **US Department of Energy**

Advisory Members

Drucker, Harvey – **Argonne National Laboratory**
Lyle, Dennis – **Illinois Broadcaster’s Association**
Muir, William – **Caterpillar**
Tishuk, Brian – **Chicago First**

Staff Members

Kauerauf, Don – **Illinois Terrorism Task Force Co-Chair**

Annelo, Philip – **IEMA**
Beaman, William - **City of Rockford**
Beamer-Pfeifer, Julie - **ITTF**
Casella, Edie - **ITTF**
Choutka, Alan - **EMNET**
Clark, Deb – **ITTF**
Culp, Dave – **IDPH**
Davis, Stevie – **DHS/STIC**
Desai, Lisa – **IEMA**
Desai, Sarita - **ITTF**
Dillon, Amber - **ITTF**
Drought, Joe – **IL Campus Law Enforcement**
Eades, Danielle – **IESMA/ILEAS**
Edmiston, Mark - **IDPH**
Ellis, Ron – **ITTF**
Evans, Bob - **ITTF**
Fidler, Gordon – **ISP/RICP**
Filipak, Anthony - **ITTF**
Fulscher, Dan - **IESMA**
Garcia, Roy – **IL Campus Law Enforcement**
Gauvin, Scott - **IEMA**
Hanneken, Michelle - **ITTF**
Humer, Mick – **Cities of Bloomington-Normal**
Johnson, Dave - **IDOT**
Keller, William – **IESMA**
Klinger, Joe - **IEMA**
Koehler, Geno - **IDOT**
Korty, Tom – **IDOT**
Maras, Charles - **ISP**
Michels, Louise– **IEMA**
Miller, Marcia – **IFSI**
Moos, Mike -**OSFM**
Page, Jerry – **MABAS**
Page, Jim – **ILEAS**
Pillard, Deon – **Will County EMA**
Price, Debbie – **ISP**
Rawls, Winfred – **IDPH**
Ricker, Jennifer – **IEMA**
Sackett, Sue - **ITTF**
Seif, Tom - **IEMA**
Smith, Daniel - **IEMA**
Smith, Pete – **ILEAS**
Talley, Bruce – **MABAS**
Zimmerman, Tom – **ITTF**

Other Attendees

Acquaviva, Phillip – **IESMA**
Henning, Joe – **Quincy Fire**
Joseph, James – **LCRCIP**
Logsdon, Diane – **Logsdon Consultation**
Marks, Ken – **W.W. Grainger**
McKinney, Mike – **MARN/ITTF**
McLaughlin, Patrick - **LCRCIP**
O’Neill, Linnea – **Metropolitan C’go Healthcare Council**
Sharp, Victoria – **CDC/Meta Leadership**
Smith, Tom - **Village of Palatine**
True, Sue – **CDC/Meta Leadership**
Turner, Douglas – **IL Department of Military Affairs**

Motions

Motion to adopt ITTF Policy Statement 2009 (2) – Illinois Terrorism Task Force Policy Statement Regarding Responsibilities for storage, maintenance and use of CBRNE Response Vehicles Acquired through Federal Preparedness funding.

*Motion to present to the full ITTF: Jim Page
Motion Carried*

At the March 18, 2009, ITTF meeting, a motion was approved to move \$2 million that was previously allocated to provide backup power for public radio or TV stations that are part of the emergency alert system to purchase emergency supplies to be determined by the Emergency Management Committee, with recommendations from MABAS, ILEAS, IESMA and the Red Cross.

Dr. Damon Arnold, Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), provided updates on the Pandemic H1N1 Flu outbreak and the recommended preparedness solutions with the anticipation of it returning in the fall flu season. He stressed the importance of receiving the seasonal flu vaccination. The IDPH is requesting funds to enhance the laboratory systems (Chicago, Springfield, and Carbondale) by doubling their capacity to assist with the turn-around of the confirmatory testing of any viral/bacterial outbreaks for a multitude of agencies; and; to purchase equipment, supplies and support to assist with the confirmatory testing; and to stockpile personal protective equipment (surgical/N-95 masks) for first responders working in the field.

Mr. Scott Gauvin, Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA), provided updates on the need for generators due to the loss of power during natural disasters (i.e. southern Illinois ice storms and the southern Illinois inland hurricane). Also provided recommendations/proposals on the types of generators (30, 60, and 100 kilowatts) to be purchased and housed in Springfield (Day Labor). The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will maintain and operate the generators. In the event of a disaster, IDOT would determine the mission assigned through the Emergency Operation Center and the generators would be transported by a flat bed to the critical infrastructure that needs power restored.

Motion to request redirection the \$2 million emergency supplies funds to purchase a cache of generators to be used for public safety purposes, and to enhance laboratories' capacity, by upgrading laboratory equipment, supplies, and to purchase personal protective equipment.

Approval of the concept to purchase generators from the \$2 million emergency supplies line item.

*Motion by: Chief Jay Reardon
Seconded: David Christensen
Motion Carried*

Approval of the concept to enhance the IDPH laboratories by providing equipment and supplies (subject to DHS approval as an allowable expense) and to purchase personal protective equipment to be used by first responders.

Note: At the June 24th Committee Chairs' meeting, we will discuss what funding will be available after receiving FY 09 grant award and confirming with DHS if the equipment and supplies are an allowable expense. At that time, a specific dollar amount proposal will include a combination of the generators, lab supplies and equipment, and the personal protective equipment to be funded from the FY 09 grant award. The items that are not covered in the FY 09 award will be submitted in the FY 10 grant application.

*Motion by: Chief Jay Reardon
Seconded: Colonel Dick Jahene
Motion Carried*

Discussion – To consider enhancing the mass care supplies with future funding.

Adjourned for lunch.

ITTF Full Meeting – May 27, 2009 - 1:00 p.m.

Acknowledgments and Introductions

Chairman Chamness acknowledged Chief Scott Walker, retiring from the Quincy Fire Department, for his involvement with the Illinois Terrorism Task Force.

Chairman Chamness introduced Chief Joe Henning, Quincy's new fire chief.

Dave Christensen introduced Mr. Phillip Acquaviva, a student in the Emergency Management Program at Western Illinois University serving as an intern for IESMA.

Chairman Chamness recognized the Polish Delegation visiting the United States through the coordination of Illinois National Guard. Colonel Scott Swinford provided a brief overview of the delegation and their program.

Minutes

Approval to adopt the Minutes from the March 18, 2009, ITTF meeting.

*Motion by: Chief Jay Reardon
Seconded by: Chief Mark Beckwith
Motion Carried*

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*Motion by: David Christensen
Seconded by: Chief Mark Beckwith
Motion Carried*

State Updates

Director Velasquez provided updates on the current active response due to the Southern Illinois windstorms that swept through six counties (Franklin, Gallatin, Jackson, Randolph, Saline and Williamson) on May 8th. IEMA has provided response and recovery to the local units of government and expect to be there through August. These six counties were declared state disaster areas. Currently, preliminary damage assessment teams (FEMA, IEMA, and local units of government) are evaluating the damage assessment to determine if a federal declaration is warranted for the area.

The Director expressed his appreciation to all who provided and participated in the display of the equipment purchased with homeland security funding at the State Capitol on May 26, 2009.

The Director and Dr. Damon Arnold, Illinois Department of Public Health, provided overview on the status of the H1N1 flu response.

ITTF Updates

Michelle Hanneken provided a brief overview of the programmatic audit by the Office of Inspector General from the Department of Homeland Security. The following recommendations were received: central inventory reporting system (on-line data base) for major sub-grantees; every invoice submitted for reimbursement must have proof that the item(s) was received (i.e. packing slip, etc.) and a system to identify each item received (dollar amount of item to be determined later); sub-grantees to have an automatic notification in their inventory system for items purchased with expiration dates; all sub-grantees using the same systems; and updating a policy statement for monitoring.

FY 2009 Homeland Security Grants Program Budget

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Due to the recent disasters and responses (southern Illinois wind storms and H1N1 Flu) experienced, the Committee Chairs adopted in concept today to use the \$2 million for a different purpose than was previously discussed. At the July 22nd meeting, a plan will be discussed for your approval to allocate \$2 million for generators, expand the lab capacity in the state of Illinois (supplies and equipment if DHS allowable) and to purchase personal protective equipment (surgical masks) for first responders. In the most recent disasters we have responded to, generators were the most important item requested for public water supplies, sewer plants and other critical infrastructures, and with the anticipation of the H1N1 flu returning in the fall, we need to be prepared to respond quickly.

Special Presentations

Sue True from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Foundation made a presentation on Meta-Leadership Initiative – Private and Non-governmental Sectors with Government Preparedness and Response Missions.

Chairman Chamness announced the winner, Ms. Brittany Barger from Lanphier High School of the Ready Illinois High School Challenge Public Service Announcement contest sponsored by IEMA and ITTF in cooperation with the Illinois Broadcasters Association. The PSA was viewed.

Committee Reports

Bioterrorism Committee

Dave Culp reported:

- Bioterrorism Committee and Pandemic Flu Work Group continue to review recent H1N1 Response for lessons learned in preparation for a potential pandemic flu event in the Fall of 2009 and/or the Winter of 2010. The two main health and medical response missions faced by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) during the H1N1 Event were (1) Health and Medical Messaging (2) Strategic National Stockpile Reception and Distribution.
- Staff from the Illinois Fire Service assisted Preparedness Staff from IDPH on the development of a Public Health Emergency Operations Center (PHEOC) After Action Report/Corrective Action Plan/Fall and Winter Influenza Outbreak Response Contingency Plan. Focus was placed on the roles and responsibilities of staff within the NIMS Incident Command Structure, as well as organization and structure of the PHEOC during an influenza or major biological event.
- The Pandemic Flu Work Group is reviewing all Health Alert Network releases by IDPH during the recent response to determine potential need and scope for future influenza outbreaks. Collaboration continues with Illinois Department of Central Management Services (CMS) regarding the establishment of Influenza Informational Hotlines for the general public and response personnel, especially ensuring proper messaging accuracy and documentation. The Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Distribution of antiviral medications and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to local health departments and hospitals was accomplished in 16 hours. Thank you to Illinois Emergency Management Agency, Illinois National Guard, Illinois State Police, Illinois Department of Transportation, Illinois Department of Corrections, Illinois Department of Central Management Services and Illinois Department of Human Services for completing the SNS Reception and Distribution mission in one-third of the stated goal time of 48 hours.
- Representatives from the Bioterrorism Committee are coordinating with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Foundation for Meta Leadership and the ITTF Private and Non-Governmental Sector Committee to prepare for the Illinois Meta Leadership Follow up Summit for moving forward with the engagement of the Private and Non-Governmental Sectors in Governmental Emergency Preparedness Planning.

Communications Committee

Chiefs David Dato and Jan Noble reported:

- The ITTF Communications Committee held a teleconference call/meeting on May 18, 2009. The ITTF Communication Committee and the Statewide Interoperable Executive Committee (SIEC) are partners. The SIEC will oversee the governance of the policy role and ITTF Communications Committee will oversee the funding and operations role of the overall interoperable communication and operable communications activities of the state.
- Discussion was solicited from members regarding the role of the Committee and what needs to be done to enhance the Committee's work. Several issues were discussed concerning the need for disseminating SCIP information through the state, State and Local TICP development and SCIP Training, information needing to be shared between committees, end-of-life issues of equipment and resupplying caches (batteries, licenses, etc.) bought with prior grants, Communications Unit Leader Training (COML) to be held in October, creating a program similar to the Illinois Professional Emergency Managers for the Communication side, ensuring that everyone is trained on the equipment obtained and planning for the future.

Crisis/Prevention Committee

Captain Brendan Heffner reported:

- The Committee met on May 12, 2009. Received overviews from Mr. Jeff Reagan, ILEAS, regarding their mobile field force teams on how they could assist with the SNS distribution; Special Agent Stephen Nass, FBI Weapons Mass Destruction (WMD) Coordinator, regarding FBI/MABAS evidence retention practices training in regards to WMD events; and Mr. Matt Roberts, IDPH, concerning April SNS distribution.

Elected Officials

Chairman Chamness reported:

- This newly reestablished Committee met on May 27, 2009. The goal of this committee is to ensure that elected public officials are involved and educated with the mission and accomplishments of the ITTF. Today, six mayors, two county board chairs and a township official attended the committee meeting.

Emergency Management Committee

Dave Christensen reported:

- Mr. Joe Victor is the new IESMA President.
- IESMA Conference had 150 attendees.
- 95% (\$686,000) of the EOC grants remainder will be complete in 60 days.
- IESMA new office is located in the ILEAS building.
- Ms. Nancy Schilling is the new Program Administrator.
- The next Emergency Management Committee meeting will be scheduled with the FY 09 Grant Award is announced.

Fire Mutual Aid

Chief Jay Reardon reported:

- Deployed several generator light towers and a mobile warehouse in response to the southern Illinois wind storms.
- Smart Card Credentialing continues, finalizing the dumb card process with vendors.
- Finalizing the process of replacing the statewide expiring millennium canisters for the gas masks. Replacing with a 10 year canister – this will double the life capacity.
- Awaiting sign-off from DHS to allow MABAS to start the statewide replacement of Mark Kits.
- Five Mobile Ventilation units will be deployed in the field June 12th. Available for statewide response.

- USAI - Two compressor/cascade units purchased and twelve generator light towers be delivered soon. A total of 77 generator light towers are now available. They are also contributing to the replacement of the Mark Kits.
- Urban Search and Rescue team just completed a 3-day ORE.
- Starcom radios on order to be installed in all equipment that has been purchased from ITTF funding.
- Participated in the House Homeland Security Committee Meeting per Director Velasquez's request.
- Participated in the Static Equipment display.
- Participated in the Chicago Fire Department EMS Day.
- Continue the PRND planning rollout.
- Contacted by the Oregon Fire Chiefs, representatives for the International Fire Chiefs Western Division, for a briefing on MABAS in July.
- 65 all-terrain vehicles with trailers have been deployed.
- Logistics Truck – various equipment is being installed. Continue to work on the load plan.
- Fleet Maintenance repair and refuel vehicle is available. A mechanics committee is being established.

Information Technology Committee

Colonel Mike Snyders reported:

- Creating a clearinghouse for technology projects. The Committee Chairs will be receiving letter asking to complete a survey of what IT-related projects that had been funded through ITTF or IT related projects your committee has been involved with. The committee will assess the survey and talk with Chairman Chamness to see if there is a need to establish the clearinghouse for coordination role of IT projects.
- Next committee meeting a national Cyber terrorism speaker will make a presentation. The committee will discuss the status of the following: terrorism prevention efforts in Illinois and national level and the cyber terrorism response efforts in Illinois and national level.

Lieutenant Charles Maras reported:

- Credentialing – FEMA sponsored a demonstration on how the federal credentialing worked. Numerous state agencies, including the state of Illinois, participated in a scenario using the credentialing system. The test, the Identity and Privilege List, makes the federal inter-operability work for those individuals coming from out of state to show their credentialing specifications to the impacted state where the incident is occurring and that state's credentialing specifications to the out-of-state responder. The test was a major component to show that our credentialing system works. We continue to work with CMS and ILEAS to complete the process for the system to become fully operational. Over 1,000 people have been live scanned.

Director Jaehne provided input during the Credentialing discussion:

He cautioned that there were other national models being pursued and that the Illinois model needs to be clearly articulated in these national forums and groups to ensure that DHS grant guidance does not preclude Illinois / ITTF for expending grant funds on the Illinois Credentialing project / model. The other national Credentialing models being discussed /funded/actively pursued include:

1. Wildland Coordinating Group. Those who respond to USDA requests for wildland firefighting have a "Red Card" system that "credentials" individuals through training, shadowing and practical experience. Each individual carries this card, but there is a national database with these individuals' names and credentials. When there is a call for wildland firefighter in response to forest and wildland interface fires, the Federal government (USDA/National Forest Service) calls for individuals with credentials to respond. This group wants all state credentials to be just like their Red card.
2. "National Emergency Responder Certification System." Titled by FEMA as part of the FEMA Typing system, envisions position-specific credentials for individuals. The system would include **education, training, experience, physical / medical fitness, certification** (by designated authority) and **licensing**. Individuals would be credentialed to qualify for specific positions against appropriate job performance standards, including NFPA, ASTM, OSHA CFR, and FEMA NIMS. Potentially, this system would create a national list of individuals who have been prequalified to fill specific positions. Rather than requesting that a state source a team through EMAC, it would allow FEMA to request individuals by name. Who maintains this information and the massive data input requirements? Locals and states at their cost is the most likely answer.

3. Congressional Reporting. There are those in DHS, the federal government and Congress who want a precise accounting of what federal funds have purchased. A use of the credentialing system could be to have a central federal database, fed by grant recipients (state & UASI) who must report how many FEMA Typed assets they have, and how a particular grant investment has helped add resources. In my experience, Congress asks these types of questions of federal departments all the time. If there is a central federal database, federal bureaucrats will use it to answer Congressional questions about our resources, probably without even consulting us. We need to force the feds to ask us what our resources are so we can shape answers about how we have / have not used the grant resources provided to us.
4. ANSI Standards. Another group is focused just on the card and the entire technical layout and data required making an interoperable, multi-discipline user credential. Their focus is usually technical, not on how the user will actually use the card in practice.

Director Jaehne suggested that the ITTF Credentialing group be aware of these other models and constituencies' push for their model to be adopted as the National Credential. He stated that it would be important for Illinois to provide a fact sheet to DHS and the various credentialing groups on how Illinois is designing and using its credentialing system, and what it will not do.

Law Enforcement Mutual Aid

Chief Mark Beckwith reported:

- Radiation Detectors – nearly 300 personal radiation detectors have been deployed into the field as part of a pilot program by IEMA. The areas of the pilot study include the I-70 corridor, Sangamon County and Champaign County.
- Rebanding – the first round of rebanding is over. ILEAS has overseen the rebanding of 2,139 radios. There are 22 agencies that have not rebanded their radios. These agencies have been notified several times via mail and have not responded. Once they are collected, ILEAS will have 40 StarCOM21 mobile radios.
- ILEAS Training Center – Fifty events have occurred in 2009 and 53 more have been scheduled. Dates are already being reserved for 2010. A list of the upcoming training is available for all ITTF members. ILEAS has secured the lease of the building through 2011 with two three year options.
- NIMS – ILEAS continues to work with IEMA and local agencies to keep NIMS activities current. ILEAS has begun notifying agencies that they are not eligible for grants or overtime reimbursement until the fiscal 2007 NIMS activities are complete.

Director Jim Page questioned:

In 2009, the FDIC only insured deposits in banks up to \$250,000. What if ILEAS, MABAS, IESMA , etc. receives a payment from the state that exceeds the \$250K insurance limit and the bank goes bankrupt and closes? ILEAS has discovered that most banks will cover the loss if the funds are in a NON-interest bearing account. The issue is that all of our grant agreements require that the funds be put into an interest bearing account.

Per Chairman Chamness, in the interim, if there is any possibility of losing the funds, deposit the money into a non-interest bearing accounts and document the reason why it was deposited this way until we receive clarification from DHS.

Private Sector Committee

Mike McKinney reported:

- The Private Sector Committee met the morning of May 27, 2009, to discuss expansion of the Committee to include more representatives from various private industries and the public sector. Present were over twenty representatives from the private, public sectors, and nongovernmental organizations who discussed the role of private, public, and non-governmental entities in support of statewide preparedness. A follow-up meeting will be held on June 24, 2009, at Motorola.
- Representatives of the Private Sector will be in attendance at the July 7, 2009, Illinois Meta-Leadership Meeting in Chicago.

- Through private donations contributed via the ASIS Foundation to ILEAS, an intelligence analyst is being recruited to work at STIC who will be devoted to the private sector.
- Mike McKinney, retired Dept of Corrections and currently the Security Director at White Oaks Mall in Springfield, has been named the primary Mutual Aid Response Resource Network (MAR²N) liaison to the SEOC.
- MAR²N Liaison worked with Jackson and Williamson Emergency Management Agencies after the Southern Illinois wind storms and supplied 24 generators, 4 skid steer type tractors, and 20 light towers.
- MAR²N is working with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, to identify a Point of Contact for corporations in Illinois that employ greater than 500 employees. The list will be used to research the feasibility of a comprehensive email roster to distribute emergency messages from the SEOC to the private sector.

Public Information Committee

Co-Chairs Scott Clarke from the American Red Cross and Michael Moos from the Office of the State Fire Marshal provided the following report.

- The committee has created a first draft of a document designed for first responders to inform them about dealing with persons with functional needs. Discussion on developing an Illinois Ready Preparedness Facebook page to help better educate the public and engage them in preparedness. The Illinois Ready page was used to provide the public with information about the H1N1 virus.
- Campus Behavioral Threat Assessment project. – Per Project Director Ron Ellis two vendors have been selected and have agreed that the State of Illinois may review and use parts of their curriculum with the intent to combine into one Illinois specific state course. A Campus Behavior Threat Assessment Committee of SME's has been selected to develop this curriculum. Projected development of the course within 30-60 days and then offer six train-the-trainer courses throughout the state.

Science and Technology Committee

Dr. Harvey Drucker reported:

- Received funding for the Dispersion Modeling and integrate with transportation modeling.
- Working on area monitors for spotting vehicles that carrying radionuclide's. System installed on an I-70 overpass. Plans to integrate radiation monitoring with video monitory. This will provide imaging of license plates front and back, image of the side of the truck, and picture of the driver. Plans to be integrated with law enforcement.
- Continue to work with the evaluation of Chemical Detectors. Contract in place to evaluate the response of these detectors versus identification of toxic materials, in addition the effects of temperature and humidity.
- Cyber Security - would like to discuss with groups of ITTF on ways to secure communications systems and how they perform across all agency lines.

Training Committee

Colonel Dick Jaehne reported:

- The Training Committee held a teleconference meeting on 19 May 2009 to:
- Discuss hosting a National Roadway Incident Management 1-day Train-the-Trainer on 17 July 09 in Bloomington, IL.
- Realign ILETSB FY 2007 Budget.
- Make a final decision on retaining the Emergency Response to Terrorism: Basic Concepts (ERT:BC) course as a separate Objective 2 course, but dropping it as a required course for Objective 4 SWMD HAZMAT and TRT teams.
- Review / Update final 2009 budget in anticipation of the ITTF receiving grant funds in June.
- Review status of RTC construction and Maintenance program.
- Update ongoing and upcoming training plan activities.
- IFSI will host a Roadway Incident Management Train-the-Trainer with State Farm and the National Roadway safety program (respondersafety.com) in Bloomington, IL on Friday 17 July 2009. The program will include firefighters, law enforcement, IDOT & Tollway, non-fire based EMS and tow truck organizations. Up to 50 slots are available. There is no cost or reimbursement available for the course.

- It was agreed that the Emergency Response to Terrorism: Basic Concepts (ERT:BC) course be retained under Objective 2 and updated by the IFSI staff, and that ERT:BC be eliminated as a required course under Objective 4 for Statewide Deployable HAZMAT and TRT Teams.
- RTC Construction and Maintenance:
- Springfield RTC is now operational.
- The RTC maintenance contract with Thornton Thomasetti is in the final contract approval process (three steps, multi-year) for the safety maintenance and development of the Regional Training Centers:
 - For each RTC prop, a structural engineer conducts a detailed inspection and produces a written report.
 - Each RTS conduct repairs as required.
 - For each RTC prop, have a structural engineer conduct an analytical review of members and welds and conduct non-destructive testing (such as ultra sound) as required of anchors, welds, tubes.
- Through the Validation process, IFSI and MABAS have identified Team Leader skills as a training weakness and will develop a pilot course to be conducted twice this next year for TRT and HAZMAT team leaders, using FY 2008 and FY 2009 Objective 4 funding. The ITTF Chair supports this effort.
- IFSI is offering 1-day Regional Readiness Evolutions (RRE) for the HAZMAT and TRT teams in partnership with MABAS. Each evolution will be conducted at an RTC. Statewide deployable teams are invited to participate. No reimbursement is provided at this time. The first RRE was on HAZMAT monitoring and sampling on 5 & 6 May 2009 in Decatur and attended by a total of 46 team members from Addison, Crystal Lake, Decatur, Quincy, Peoria, and Springfield. The first TRT RRE will be held at the Southern Kane County RTC on 6 & 7 June 09 focusing on Structural Collapse Operations, Rope rescue operations and Confined Space Operations.
- Received permission from the Board of the University of Illinois to build a Learning Resource Center.

Transportation Committee

Tom Korty reported:

- The Committee is continuing its coordination with OEM&C, CTA, O'Hare Airport, Argonne Labs, Underwriters Lab, and DCEO for the Chemical Sensor Monitoring Detection Pilot Program in the Chicago land area for area mass transit agencies. Detectors to be installed in June.
- The Radiation Detection Monitoring equipment is continuing its operational pilot program. Weekly spectral data collection at site continues. A camera system is being installed in June to incorporate the second phase of the program. The second phase shall run from June through August 2009. The system will synchronize the camera images detection to the triggering alarm.
- The Evacuation Implementation Group is continuing the installation of the gate systems on the Kennedy and Eisenhower expressways in the Chicago land arena. Forty four locations have been outfitted with the manual gate systems.
- Both of the VACIS trucks continuing their operational duties throughout the State of Illinois to deter terrorism activities. A VACIS system was deployed for a demonstration on May 26, 2009, for the Illinois Terrorism Task Force Equipment Display at the Capitol in Springfield.
- Cameras, fiber optics and light standard equipment for the Bridge Security Program in Southern Illinois is complete. Training on operational issues of the system with ISP, IDOT and the contractor.
- The Bridge Security Program has begun new initiatives in the East St. Louis Metro Area for the McKinley Bridge, Jefferson Barracks Bridge, the I-270 River bridges and the I-255 from I-64 to IL 15 interchange.
- The Committee Inland Waterways & Port Security Group (IWPS) reports that the Argonne National Laboratory Cascading Impact Analysis is continuing. The second phase of the project is underway with monthly progress meetings being conducted. The second phase of the program has been extended until December 2009 to gather more information for the analysis.
- The Committee coordinated with IDPH, ISP, ING, IDOC, IDHS and IEMA to distribute the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) for the H1N1 Influenza on April 30-May 1, 2009. IDOT fully demonstrated the distribution portion of the SNS plan by delivering to 156 Hospitals and 95 Health Departments within a 16 hour time period.
- Committee members will be participating with Department of Agriculture for the Veterinarian Stockpile Exercise June 16-18, 2009, in Wheaton and Peoria, Illinois.

UASI Committee

No report.

Volunteers & Donations Committee

- The annual Citizen Corps Conference was held May 19-21.
- Kick-off meeting was held for the Donations and Coordination Team. This team will utilize donations and volunteers during times of disasters using the AidMatrix system, an on-line volunteer's donations management system that FEMA has.

New Business

The next Chairs-only meeting will be Wednesday, June 24, 2009, at the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, Springfield, Illinois.

The next full ITTF meeting will be held Wednesday, July 22, 2009, at the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, Springfield, Illinois.

Motion to adjourn.