

**Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police
Executive Board Meeting
Georgia Public Safety and Training Center
Forsyth, Georgia
December 7, 2011**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the President Stan York.

Roll call was read by President Stan York.

Roll Call

President, Director Stan York

1st VP, Chief J. Frank Waits

2nd VP, Chief David Lyons

**3rd VP, Chief M. Keith Glass

**4th VP, Mike Wilkie

**Immediate Past President, Chief Woodrow W. Blue, Jr.

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 & Asst. VP Connie Sampson, GA State University, Chief Dan Greathouse, Thomaston PD; there was a brief appearance by Director Tim Beardon, GPSTC, who introduced the new Deputy of GPSTC Bill Bryant, formerly of the Georgia State Patrol

Presentation of Previous Minutes

- **Motion made by Chief J. Frank Waits, seconded by Chief David Lyons, to accept the minutes of the October 18, 2011, meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

Financial Report

- Executive Director Rotondo presented the financial reports dated October 31, 2011. **Motion made by Chief George Stagmeier, seconded by Chief David Lyons, to accept the Financial Reports dated October 31, 2011, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**
- Executive Director Rotondo presented a copy of GACP's audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, as well as the GACP Foundation's audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011.
- Executive Director Rotondo spoke briefly regarding GACP's new accountant, Robert Blad, and his concern that GACP, being a small office, should attempt to put additional safeguards into policy with respect to budget oversight. Executive Director Rotondo accepted the accountant's recommendations to personally open bank statements and review the general ledger monthly.

Executive Director Report

- Life Membership
Executive Director Rotondo requested confirmation of a Life Membership granted J. Dale Mann, former Director of the GPSTC under a special policy section of the GACP Constitution. President York had agreed to present Director Mann with his membership award prior to the

board voting on such action because of the timing of a planned retirement function. Under this special section all GACP board members in attendance must confirm Life Membership status for it to be awarded. **Motion made by Chief J. Frank Waits, seconded by Chief George Stagmeier, to approve Honorary Life Membership for former Director of GPSTC, J. Dale Mann. Motion passed unanimously.**

Executive Director Rotondo requested Life Membership be considered for retired Chief Frank Platt, Jr. of the Athens/Clark County Board of Education PD. **Motion made by Chief Frank Waits, seconded by Chief David Lyons, to grant Life Membership to Chief Frank Platt, Jr. Motion passed unanimously.**

- “RISS” (Regional Information Sharing System)
Executive Director Rotondo deferred to Chief Dan Greathouse to speak briefly of the possible issuance of a letter from GACP in support of “RISS.” Upon completion of the request by Chief Greathouse and the concurrence of all board members, Executive Director Rotondo agreed to forward Counselor Caldwell with information so that he may draft a letter to federal officials requesting they support “RISS.”
- Future Winter Training Conferences
Executive Director Rotondo spoke briefly about the 2013 WTC venue. It appears that an accord cannot be reached with the Onmi Hotel in Atlanta for 2013 and doubtful that an agreement can be reached in the year 2014. Therefore, it appears the most favorable venue sight for the Winter Training Conference in the future would be the Augusta/Richmond County area. All board members concurred that this was GACP’s only available option. However, board members expressed regret at the fact that GACP will not be able to provide any social activities for legislators for future winter conferences.
- “*Criminal Justice Reform Panel Recommendations*”
Executive Director Rotondo spoke briefly about reviewing the Georgia state document titled “*Criminal Justice Reform Panel Recommendations.*” Executive Director Rotondo indicated that he had attended many of those council meetings and that upon review he expects that the GMA and ACCG are displeased with one of the council’s findings. Further information will be brought to the executive board as it is received by Executive Director Rotondo.

President’s Report

- All Hazard Council Appointments
President York indicated that he selected two GACP members to represent GACP as All Hazard Council 4th District Representatives: Chief Mark Gerbino of Americus PD and Chief Dan Greathouse of Thomston PD.
- Congratulations
President York openly congratulated 4th Vice President Mike Wilkie for obtaining his Ph.D. Additionally, he congratulated Counselor Caldwell for being voted a Georgia Super Lawyer for 2012.
- Possible Bylaws Change
President York opened a discussion with members in attendance regarding sanctions that may be imposed on members who are arrested for crimes involving violations of moral conduct. After a lengthy discussion President York requested from Counselor Caldwell specific wording that can be placed into the GACP Bylaws governing the sanction or expulsion of GACP

members who violate acceptable ethical codes of conduct. Councilor Caldwell indicated that he would have a draft document for the board to review at GACP's 2012 Winter Training Conference board meeting.

- **Alarm Industry Legislation**
President York asked Executive Director Rotondo if the alarm industry legislation had been prepared by Representative Thomas Taylor. Executive Director Rotondo indicated it had been prepared but a minor change had to be made in the legislation before GACP could embrace it fully.
- **50th Anniversary Functions**
President York, as well as other board members, discussed with Executive Director Rotondo their expectations with respect to social functions at GACP's 50th anniversary to be celebrated at the 2012 Summer Training Conference.

Board Reports

- 1st VP, Chief J. Frank Waits – None
- 2nd VP, Chief David Lyons – Chief David Lyons would like to see GACP, in the future, review the O.C.G.A. section that grants peace officers the ability to join the Peace Officer Annuity and Benefit Foundation (POA&B). It appears that the POA&B fund does not allow private university police to enjoy the benefits of the fund. No additional action is needed at this time.
- 3rd VP, Chief M. Keith Glass – None – Not Present
- 4th VP, Chief Mike Wilkie – None – Not Present
- Immediate Past President, Woodrow W. Blue, Jr. – None – Not Present
- Chairman of District Representatives, Chief George Stagmeire - None

Old Business

- None

New Business

- None

Adjournment

- **Motion made by Chief George Stagmeier, seconded by Chief J. Frank Waits, to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.**