

**Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police
Executive Board Meeting
Georgia Department of Agriculture
Atlanta, GA
February 24, 2015**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the President, Chief Keith Glass.

President Keith Glass asked Executive Director Rotondo to read the roll.

President Glass introduced the Georgia Department of Agriculture Commissioner, Gary W. Black, who made a few opening remarks.

Roll Call

President, Chief M. Keith Glass

1st VP, Chief George N. Turner

2nd VP, Chief Billy Grogan

3rd VP, Warden Dennis S. Nelson

4th VP, Chief Joseph W. Wirthman

*Immediate Past President, David L. Lyons

*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 Tommy Gardner, East Point PD; Deputy Chief Creig Lee, Temple PD; Chief James B. Thorn, Temple PD; Chief Clarence E. Cox, Clayton County School Police; Chief Roosevelt Smith, Lithonia PD; Chief Kenneth DeSimone, Sandy Springs PD; Captain Will Merrill, Alpharetta DPS; Chief John Robison, Powder Springs PD; Captain Thomas Patton, Alpharetta DPS; Chief Harold Myers, Fayette County Marshal's Office; Chief Steven D. Heaton, Griffin PD; Chief Arnold Gillman, Adairsville PD; Chief Dustin Michael Stephenson, Warwick PD; Chief Adam Lowe, Gray PD; Chief Dray Swicord, Milledgeville PD; Gary George, Director, Alpharetta DPS; Deputy Warden Randal Holsey, Clayton County Dept. of Corrections; Chief Robert Keith Corley, Forsyth PD; Chief John W. Gaissert, Commerce PD; Inspector General Steward Hicks, GA Dept. of Agriculture; Chief Gary Yandura, Brookhaven PD; Chief Investigator William Chris Harvey, GA Secretary of State; Chief William Westenberger, Kennesaw PD; Assistant Chief Fred Stephens, Athens-Clarke County PD; Chief Carter Greene, Athens-Clarke County PD; Chief Scott Worsley, Colquitt PD; Captain Daniel Stone, Colquitt PD; Chief Christopher Womack, Douglasville PD; June Killian, Training Director, GACP

Presentation of Previous Minutes

- Executive Director Rotondo presented for review the minutes of the previous board meeting.
Motion made by Chief Grogan, seconded by Chief Turner, to accept the minutes of the January 25, 2015 Board Meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

- Executive Director Rotondo presented the financial reports dated January 31, 2015. **Motion made by Chief Turner , seconded by Chief Wirthman to accept the financial reports dated January 31, 2015 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Rotondo made a statement prior to his formal report stating that many police chiefs call and ask how they can assist GACP. His suggestions included, but were not limited to, encouraging members to get involved in Assessment Centers and/or becoming State Certification Assessors for GACP.

- **Special “Thanks” to Georgia Department of Agriculture Inspector General, Stewart Hicks**

Executive Director Rotondo thanked GACP member, Stewart Hicks, Inspector General of the Georgia Department of Agriculture, for facilitating this year’s Chief’s Day at the capitol by securing the board and training room for the meeting. Executive Director Rotondo also stated that earlier that day he received an email from Mr. Hicks announcing his retirement from state service in March 2015. It should be noted that the members in attendance applauded the Inspector General for his commitment to GACP.

- **Chief Robert Griffin, Hiltonia Police Department**

Executive Director Rotondo reported that the family of recently deceased Hiltonia Police Chief, Robert Griffin, is finalizing the arrangements for his memorial services. Once GACP receives more information, they will send out an email encouraging police chiefs to attend Chief Griffin’s memorial service.

- **ManageURID**

Executive Director Rotondo previously sent videos and program information regarding an Identification Protection Plan, ManageURID, to the members of the Executive Board. After a discussion of the program, **a motion was made by Chief Grogan and seconded by Warden Nelson to reject the company’s proposal for a royalty agreement with GACP. Motion passed unanimously.** The board suggested that instead of a royalty agreement, they requested that Executive Director Rotondo encourage ManageURID to attend the upcoming Summer Conference as a vendor and exhibitor.

- **Legislative Updates**

Executive Director Rotondo gave a relatively comprehensive overview of current legislative initiatives being monitored by GACP including, but not limited to:

*HB1	*SB37
*HB10	*SB45
*HB32	*SB46

*HB33	*SB49
*HB56	*SB50
*HB93	*SB94

President's Report

- President Glass stated that he was very pleased with the outcome of the Winter Training Conference and wanted to pass on his “thank you” to the GACP Staff for making the conference a success.

Board Reports

- Chief Turner stated to the members in attendance that he was in Washington D.C. for a Major Cities Chiefs Association meeting during GACP's Winter Training Conference and was unable to attend.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- Executive Director Rotondo gave a very short block of instruction on how a bill becomes a law.
- Executive Director Rotondo indicated that upon completion of lunch, all police chiefs should see their legislators and reconvene at 2:15 pm in the north wing of the state capitol for resolution readings: The first resolution of interest, authored by State Representative Alan Powell, will honor police chiefs. The second resolution will be read by Senator Jackson and will honor Chief Joseph “Jack” Lumpkin, Sr. for being awarded GACP's Chief of the Year for 2014.

Adjournment

- **A motion was made by *Chief Grogan* and seconded by *Chief Wirthman* to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.**