

Illinois Valley Regional Dispatch Board

LaSalle, Peru, Oglesby & Mendota ETSBs

Meeting Minutes

May 27, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was held Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at the Peru Municipal Building, 1901 4th Street, Peru, Illinois. Chairman King called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Voting & Quorum Members Present: Doug Bernabei, Leo Hochstatter (Boelk), John Duncan, Brian Fisher, Joe Hogan (via teleconference), Steve Maltas, Jason Martin, Gregory McDermott, Mike Smudzinski, Vice Chairman Jerry Janick, Chairman Jeff King. Absent: Jason Curran, Jeff Grove, Ken Kolowski, Mike Margis, Dennis Rutishauser.

Non-Voting Members Present:

MINUTES

Chairman King presented the minutes of the IVRD meeting of April 29, 2025. Gregory McDermott made a motion the minutes be received and placed on file. Doug Bernabei seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM (CITIZEN COMMENT)

None

COMMUNICATIONS

Jerry Janick made a motion to receive and place on file a communication from the City of Oglesby appointing Oglesby Fire Chief Steve Maltas to serve on the IVRD Board. Brian Fisher seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

FIRE/EMS OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Jerry Janick reported the Fire/EMS Operations Committee will meet at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 24th at the Peru Municipal Building

LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Doug Bernabei reported the Law Enforcement Operations Committee met earlier this morning, and Executive Director Miller will provide an update during his report.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

LABOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

No report.

REPORTS

IVRD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director Brandon Miller provided the following report:

- **CESSA:** RAC meeting last month was canceled. State is now requiring the subcommittee to send a questionnaire back to the RAC after each meeting. RAC Sub Committee met at LSCSO a few weeks ago. MCTs have some concern about them knowing the difference from a direct 9-8-8 referral and a 9-1-1 CESSA because of required paperwork. IVRD has referred several friendly voices to 9-8-8. There's a concern the 9-8-8 call center does not have local knowledge which often is pushing calls back to local law enforcement and EMS. We are finding these referrals are helping the public develop relationships with Arukah and NCBHS. The state doesn't want 9-1-1 to refer callers directly to local MCTs.
- **Records disposal:** The state board has approved our application. We have submitted our first Request for record disposal. Once that is back, there's a short waiting period and Melissa and I will then be working on records disposal, according to the schedule.
- **Staffing:** Cora Holloway is moving to what we refer to as third chair. This signifies that she is nearly completed her training and it's just being shadowed by another full-time telecommunicator. Kyara Brazel is progressing well - she will be moving to night's next month to train. Interviews have been completed to develop an additional pool of people to hire.

- **Legislative:** 9-1-1 goes to Springfield was a success in that our local legislators were glad to see us at the capitol. Prior to the event we were told we were asking for an increase, however when we got to Springfield we were told by the lobbyists that this was more of a pulse check for support. When we met with legislators, they all wanted this in a bill which was not in play. Overall, there seemed to be some support. I completed a survey from APCO/NENA about the event and shared some insight from experience as Iowa's NENA President. This will not move forward this session. The group plans to attempt this again next year.
- **New CAD:**
 - Business Practice Review is completed. We spent three days at IVRD learning the system and how to set everything up for go live.
 - IVRD, Oglesby, LaSalle and Spring Valley all have access to CAD at their stations. Peru and Mendota are still working through gaining the access.
 - We have also had initial meetings for LEADs, Interfaces, AVL and GIS.
 - Agencies are working on local ordinance UCRs for the new CAD.
 - I have requested an export from Brownlee for our locations to be imported into ProSuite.
 - We purchased TAIP AVL which we don't believe we need. We believe most agencies are using AVL in their computers. This should save some money.
 - We are also looking at some additional LEADs queries to be imbedded in the CAD.
- **ACE:** We will be submitting accreditation for police in the next few days.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

No report.

REPORTS

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Chairman King presented and reviewed the April financial report. John Duncan made a motion to receive and place the April financial report on file and to approve and pay bills in the usual manner. Mike Smudzinski seconded the motion. Melissa Carruthers called the roll with Bernabei, Hochstatter (Boelk), Duncan, Fisher, Hogan, Maltas, Martin, McDermott, Smudzinski, Janick and King voting aye; Curran, Grove, Kolowski, Margis, Rutishauser absent; motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Executive Director Miller reported employees had been inquiring about the possibility of vision insurance, and he presented a vision plan analysis and costs.

John Duncan made a motion to approve the addition of the Vision Plan Coverage option presented by Sure Life Financial Group for IVRD employees. Steve Maltas seconded the motion. Melissa Carruthers called the roll with Bernabei, Hochstatter (Boelk), Duncan, Fisher, Hogan, Maltas, Martin, McDermott, Smudzinski, Janick and King voting aye; Curran, Grove, Kolowski, Margis, Rutishauser absent; motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES

PUBLIC FORUM (CITIZEN COMMENTS)

None

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

None

SCHEDULE NEXT IVRD MEETING

The next IVRD meeting will take place at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 24, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

Brian Fisher made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve Maltas seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m.