



**Great Lakes Division - IAFC
Minutes from General Membership
Meeting
FRI - San Antonio, TX
August 18, 2016**

1. Call to Order - President Danny Sink called today's meeting to order at Noon. He made a special note of gratitude to Avon Protection, our luncheon sponsor.
2. Appoint Sergeant at Arms – Chief Chip Welch accepted this role.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag – Sergeant at Arms Welch led us in the Pledge.
4. Memorial Service – President Sink introduced the past presidents of the Great Lakes Division.
5. Constitution & Bylaws Committee Report – Jim Grady provided a brief report. He expressed his gratitude to the Board and the Membership for allowing him to serve as our representative. Chief Andy Pless (Mich) will replace Chief Grady on this committee due to Chief Grady's retirement. President Sink presented Chief Grady with a plaque for his service to this Association.
6. Secretary/Treasurer's Financial Report – Executive Director Linda Stone provided a brief report on the current status of the Association's finances. As of today, there is \$22,191.64 in the Chase Checking account. There is also \$33,116.30 in a Raymond James long-term investment portfolio. Report accepted unanimously.
7. Nominations & Elections Committee Report – Chief Scott Skeldon provided a brief report on the history of this committee and the policies of rotation. He provided information on the candidates who will be sworn in today. He introduced new board members Mavrogeorge, Parker and Mannausau. He provided background of the International Director position held by Nyle Zikmund. Due to Chief Zikmund's retirement, he called for a motion to nominate Chief Timm Schabbel as the GLD International director. Jaren Killian (IN) made motion, Carl Buchanan (IN). Call three times for any other nominations. Tom Wallace (OH) and Mike O'Brian (MI) supported. Nominations closed.
8. Reading of communications report – Nothing to report.
9. Audit – Chief Welch provided a brief report on the internal audit of the previous year's financial transactions. The audit committee unanimously agreed and reported that they found no discrepancies or deficiencies in the financial records. Report accepted.
10. Elections and installation of officers - President Sink administered the Oath of Officers to incoming Board members.
11. Good of the Order / New Business & Guests
 - a. IAFC Board- President Rhoda Mae Kerr visited our luncheon today and thanked the Association for its support.
 - b. President Sink made mention of Board members and their recent retirements. Plaques were presented to Chief Dave Peterson and Chief Nyle Zikmund for their service.
12. Avon Protection – Sole Sponsor of the Annual Division Luncheon – Marc Hermansen provided a brief presentation.

Adjournment – 12:30PM