



December 11, 2014

1pm Eastern - The Salvation Army EDS Training Center, 4020 Georgetown Rd, Indianapolis, IN

Attendees:

Abby Hostetler – Purdue Extension

Chris Gilbert – IN Dept. of Health

Steve Cain – Purdue Extension

Larry Cassagne – IN Dept. Homeland Security

Briana Husband – IN Dept. Homeland Security

Brent Read – LDS Emergency Response

Jane Crady – Catholic Charities

Beth McDaniel - UMCOR

Eldon Studer – Friends Disaster Service

Joe Wainscott – American Red Cross

Julia Hargrove – American Red Cross

Bob LaGrange – Amateur Radio

Bert Williams – The Salvation Army

The meeting was called to order by INVOAD President, Chris Gilbert, at 1:09pm.

Minutes:

Treasurer's Report:

Bert Williams reported INVOAD has \$561.95 in our account; \$542.20 left over from National VOAD Conference donations and \$19.75 in our normal operating account.

Disaster Updates and Long Term Recovery:

Jay County:

August 2014 Flooding: One renovation that should be finished soon, painting occurring now. Two complete rebuilds yet to be started. The area was never able to organize a long term recovery group; volunteer efforts have been slightly delayed as there is no volunteer coordinator established in Jay County.

Blackford County:

August 2014 Flooding: The final roof should be finished soon, the check was cut last week.

COAD Updates:

Daviess County:

The COAD is in the beginning phases of starting. The long term recovery has roughly \$25,000 left over from their long term recovery committee that will be going into the COAD account.

Jennings County:

Jane Crady is working with the county to develop and start a COAD in the area.

Noble County COAD:

The COAD is planning activities for 2015, including trainings and exercises.



Agency and Organization Updates:

Friends Disaster Services:

Eldon Studer reported that he finally received the trailer (28'). He will be converting the trailer into a bunk house, which should be completed in the spring.

IDHS:

Briana Husband attended as the new Individual Assistance Director for the Recovery Division of IDHS. Larry Cassagne also reported the new IDHS director, David Kane, has already started.

Purdue Extension:

Steve Cain reported ARW-117 is an animal response course that Purdue Extension will be offering throughout the state. The course will bring different organizations together to work on animal response plan, with a focus on livestock.

An organization that is a member of Noble County COAD is working to create a CART team (County Animal Response Team). Extension is working to identify existing CART teams in the state.

Steve Cain will be teaching the FEMA Volunteer and Donations Management course April 25 and 26. He will share more information when he has it.

American Red Cross:

Indiana has consolidated from 2 ARC regions to 1 ARC region; there are still 5 counties that are not part of the Indiana Region, those counties are near Cincinnati and Louisville. The new Indiana Region divisions align with the IDHS regions. Joe Wainscott said he will try to get Clive at the next face-to-face meeting. Clive is the Region Disaster Coordinator.

Scott Tibbetts will be transferring to Kentucky. Mary Meeks will continue working in Division 5.

Indiana State Department of Health:

Chris Gilbert reported that while Ebola is going away in the minds of the news media, but the disease is still thriving in African countries. Flu season is well underway, so get your flu shots and remember to wash your hands.

Other Business:

Louisiana VOAD:

Abby Hostetler and Steve Cain attended the LAVOAD annual meeting last week in Alexandria, LA. Many of the same issues we face in Indiana are the issues LAVOAD discussed; including getting local EMAs to recognize the value of voluntary agencies.



LAVOAD is planning the 2015 National VOAD Conference; INVOAD will be sharing our 2014 planning materials.

Nominations Committee:

There will be two vacancies on the Board of Directors that will need to be filled at the INVOAD Annual Meeting in February. Steve Cain has expressed interest in serving on the Board.

Abby Hostetler made the motion to suspend the term of the current Board of Directors, as outlined in the INVOAD bylaws for one year's time while the INVOAD bylaws are reviewed and standard operating procedures are created. Seconded by Beth McDaniel. The motion was amended by Joe Wainscott as, motion to extend the term of the current Board of Directors through February 2016, time while the INVOAD bylaws are reviewed and standard operating procedures are created. The friendly amendment was accepted. Motion passed.

COAD Training:

Steve Cain announced that the COAD advisors will continue offering a quarterly COAD Development Training Series in 2015. The next trainings will include:

- January (Wednesday, January 28 and Thursday, January 29 - locations TBD) - *Building Blocks of a COAD: Forming a COAD in your community*
- April – *Supercharge Your COAD: The functions of a COAD and why they are important*
- July – *Follow the Leader: Finding and cultivating leadership in COAD*
- October – *Marketing and Advocacy for Disaster Awareness*

Upcoming Meetings:

- The next call will be Wednesday, January 14 at 4pm EST, the call in number is TBD.
- The next face-to-face meeting will be the *INVOAD Annual Meeting* on Thursday, February 12 at 1pm EST at The Salvation Army EDS Training Center, 4020 Georgetown Road, Indianapolis, IN.

Jane Crady made the motion to adjourn, Brent Read seconded. The motion passed. The call was adjourned at 2:46pm.