



Indiana VOAD Meeting

February 13, 2014 – 1pm Eastern – American Red Cross 441 E. 10th Street, Indianapolis, IN

Attendees:

Sandi Lyle
Regina Haley
Jane Crady
Kathy O'Day
Maggie Snyder
Lucinda Nord
Nina Evans
John Tracey

Rabbi Bruce Pfeffer
Leah Cody
Joe Wainscott
Larry Cassagne
Mary Anna Speller
Eldon Studer
Jim Byerly

Meeting Minutes:

The meeting was called to order by Chris Gilbert, Indiana VOAD President, at 1:08pm.

This meeting is the Annual Meeting of Indiana VOAD.

Lucinda Nord moved to accept the future meeting calendar as presented with the revision of omitting May 2014's meeting from the schedule as it falls during the National VOAD Conference. Motion was seconded by Jane Crady, Catholic Charities, and was accepted unanimously.

Treasurer's Report was reported electronically by Indiana VOAD Treasurer, Bert Williams, as \$54.75.

19 counties were granted an SBA declaration following the November 17, 2013 tornado event.

- There are no Indiana Disaster Funds remaining for the current fiscal year
- Homeowners are encouraged to apply
- Application deadline is _____

December Flooding Event

- Ellettsville
 - roughly 2 dozen families affected by the event, most were renters and have been located
 - 3 families remain as unmet needs cases
- Shelbyville
 - Roughly 8 unmet needs cases exist

January Snow Event

- Large sheltering event
 - 48 shelters opened statewide with the peak population reach approximately 350 individuals

Propane Shortage Crisis



- 10% of Hoosiers rely on propane as their main source of heat
- Governor released an extra \$5 million dollars to assist families in covering the cost of fuel
- 211 is monitoring the crisis and releasing a weekly update regarding the number of calls received.
- Do not let tanks go to zero!

Long Term Recovery

- March2Recovery
 - M2R will officially be closed starting next week.
 - March 1 at 12:00pm will be a large celebration in Marysville for the grand opening of the community center.
 - 4 homes still needing minor repair, construction chair will be working on these in connection with his local construction company
- Howard County
 - Still working on collecting numbers
- Davies County
 - 2 total destroyed and 8 major to minor repairs with unmet needs
 - \$151,000 total estimated
 - Needs include utility assistance and meeting insurance premiums
- Monroe County
 - See above
- Fountain County
 - As of yesterday, they are not seeing any unmet needs.
 - Residents are aware of SBA declaration
- Knox County
 - One house with potential unmet needs, house is a rental home

Organization Updates

- United Ways of Indiana
 - Deadline is March 31 to sign up in the marketplace under the Affordable Care Act
- Brethren Disaster Services
 - This past year the district sent out 9 groups to work in Holton on their Long Term Recovery Efforts
- NESHAMA Association of Jewish Chaplains
 - Rabbi Bruce noted that NAJC do not deploy on their own, but do deploy through American Red Cross
- ICART
 - Working with NOVA to get a training available in the Spring of 2014
- Red Cross
 - Additional funding has been released for the Midwest tornado event in November – possibly \$200,000 may become available to Indiana



Indiana Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

COOPERATION | COMMUNICATION | COORDINATION | COLLABORATION

- IDHS
 - Operation Stay Afloat will be March 13, 2014
 - Lessons learned from the past and discussion of the 1913 flood
 - As of right now, the current predication of 1.5-3.5 inches of rain being held in the snowcap
 - From now to the end of February, on a confidence scale of 4 out 5, Indiana is expected to have above average temperatures and higher than average precipitation levels
 - FEMA has cut the subsidy on Floodplain Insurance, which has caused flood insurance rates to skyrocket (from \$300/yearly to \$7,000/yearly).
 - www.weather.gov/ind > hydrology reports > rivers and streams
- Indiana/Kentucky Conference of United Church of Christ
 - Lining up where they will be working this summer
- Friends Disaster Services
 - Working to unite the current five entities of Friends Disaster Services under one umbrella of Friends Disaster Services of Indiana
- UMCOR
 - Gave a grant to help pay for a case manager in Davies County
- Catholic Charities
 - Kathy O'Day just completed the training to become one of only 14 in the US as a Federally
- Purdue Extension
 - New Madrid _____
 - Drought Task Force _____
 - Propane Shortage _____
- Tri-State COAD
 - Meeting Tuesday, February 18 all are invited to attend
- Helping His Hands
 - Will have crews working in Shawnee and Moore, Oklahoma this month
- Homeland Security Division Planning
 - Will be working with districts to create housing plans at the district levels that coincides with the state level plan

National VOAD Conference

- Ed Rock has confirmed to sing the National Anthem at the opening luncheon of the National VOAD Conference
- Rabbi Bruce has confirmed to do the invocation on Wednesday
- Silent Auction
- Volunteer Registration

Educational Moments

- IS405: Overview of Mass Care and Emergency Assistance is a new course being offered by EMI, this is an online course that takes roughly an hour



Other Business

- Indiana VOAD Membership forms were distributed, please fill out and return to Abby either via email at alillpop@purdue.edu or 615 West State Street, West Lafayette, IN 47907
- By-Law discussion
 - We are moving to the National VOAD template for state VOADs
 - There was much discussion around Members and Partnership section.
 - Should the Local/Regional Member be called COADs or Coalitions?
 - Should State Members be the only group classified as Members, all other be listed as partners?
 - Membership and partnership shall be perpetual? Should be left as is?
 - Discussion was held on the Quorum

Motion was made to adjourn by Jim Byerly; seconded by Jane Crady. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:33pm.