# International Fuel Tax Association, Inc. Law Enforcement Committee

### **Meeting Minutes**

### **April 11, 2017**

<u>Attendance:</u> Dave Bales (KS); Rob Chapple (SK); Barbara Arkwright (VA); Joe Hatcher (MD); William Haynes (NH); Michael Klingenberg (WI); Eric Belford (MT); Len McLaughlin (WA)

**Board Representatives:** Chuck Ulm (MD); Stuart Zion (CO)

IFTA Representatives: Tammy Trinker; Debbie Meise

**Regrets:** Andrew Markle (ON), Kevin Ingalls (AL) and Vincent Wood (NS)

#### Call to order

Called to order the monthly meeting of the Law Enforcement Committee at 14:01 (EST) 13:01 (CST) and 12:01 (MST) by LEC Chair David Bales (KS),

### Agenda issues

- 1. Confirmed note taker-Eric Belford (MT)
- 2. Attendance-Roll Call taken by Debbie Meise
- 3. Motion to accept meeting minutes from March 2017 made by Eric Belford (MT), second by David Bales (KS). Motion was accepted by David Bales (KS).
- 4. Board update from Chuck Ulm (MD) and Stuart Zion (CO); Board will meet in a couple of weeks. Stuart wondering if we sent our ballot to the IFTA attorneys. Dave said to date we have not but agreed that it would be a good idea. Dave will forward the LEC ballot to the attorneys.
- 5. Rob Chappell (SK) stated that Saskatchewan had a successful March for the M&M Blitz. Rob also shared a story about a recent dyed fuel that was found in his jurisdiction from a Montana tip. Rob felt it was important to illustrate how jurisdictional cooperation and communication work together for effective enforcement. Eric stated Montana had a successful March blitz which was run across the entire state. Eric also wanted to point out that numerous violations were discovered through decal identification and inspection. Dave also noted that Kansas was able to assist Montana in finding invalid IFTA decals and credentials.
- 6. The LEC Committee reviewed the two candidates for the vacant Mid-West Committee Member. It was noted by several members that Douglas Glanert (IL) answered each question and provided detail in his answers. The committee also appreciated Mr. Glanert's willingness to assist in future

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workshops. A vote was taken and the committee voted to recommend Mr. Glanert for the LEC Committee and retain Jack McNutt (OK) on the volunteer list.

- 7. The LEC ballot proposal was submitted to the steering committee. Dave noted that several edits have been made with much appreciated assistance from APC Chair Marie Stark (MT). Dave has asked each LEC member to review the ballot and offer any potential corrections that may need to be made. Dave pointed out that tracking the serial number on the license was the biggest change. Dave also informed the committee that the IFTA APC may co-sponsor the ballot.
- 8. Debbie volunteered to handle the CVSA conference.
- 9. Rob stated that everything on the IFTA Inc. website seems to functional and there haven't been any issues. Rob said the LEC minutes are up to date in 2016 except for December. Nothing has been posted for the 2017 minutes thus far. Debbie will look into it.
- 10. Dave informed the committee that the IFTA app has been removed from the app store and is no longer functional. Dave said you can get the information through the IFTA Inc. website. You will need to get permission settings through your IFTA administrator. Len McLaughlin (WA) said you may experience firewall issues like they have encountered in Washington State.
- 11. No updates were discussed regarding the Electronic Credentials sub-committee. The last meeting was canceled. Mike Klingenberg (WI) updated that the Wisconsin pilot program is still running. Mike stated that they are not seeing much for carrier participation.
- 12. Barb Arkwright (VA) updated the committee on the workshop planning.
  - The Charles Mills Award criteria was sent out for everyone's review. She hopes to have it ready to go by May.
  - The LEC will take the lead for the M&M Blitz review.
  - Dave anticipates the verbal judo presentation will take 30 to 40 minutes.
  - The committee felt we should a lot 1 hour and 45 minutes for tobacco smuggling.
  - Len would like 30 minutes to discuss how marijuana laws in Washington have effected enforcement.
  - The committee agreed we should allow 1hour and a half for the outdoor presentation. That would allow time for attendees to rotate around.

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- 13. Rob asked we should look at reassigning jurisdictions with a new member coming aboard. Dave suggested we wait until the new LEC member is confirmed and then look at reassignment. It was agreed to table the topic until the new member is confirmed.
- 14. Dave reminded the committee that it's important that we all review and understand the IFTA articles of agreement. Dave suggested we focus on section 600.

No new business was brought forward during this committee meeting.

The next L E C conference call is scheduled for May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Conference call ended at 3:00 pm EDT.

Taken by: Eric Belford (MT)