

Illinois Valley Regional Dispatch Board
LaSalle, Peru, Oglesby & Mendota ETSBs
Meeting Minutes
October 28, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was held Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at the Peru Municipal Building, 1901 4th Street, Peru, Illinois. Vice Chairman Janick called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Non-Voting Members Present: City of Spring Valley

MINUTES

Vice Chairman Janick presented the minutes of the IVRD meeting of September 30, 2025. Jeff Grove made a motion the minutes be received and placed on file. Mike Margis seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM (CITIZEN COMMENT)

None

COMMUNICATIONS

Jeff Grove made a motion to receive and place on file communication from the City of LaSalle appointing LaSalle Police Chief Jason Stubler to serve on the IVRD Board. John Duncan seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

Jeff Grove introduced and board members welcomed new LaSalle Police Chief Jason Stubler to the IVRD Board.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

FIRE/EMS OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Jerry Janick reported the Fire/EMS Operations Committee will meet on Wednesday, November 12th.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Doug Bernabei reported the committee will schedule an upcoming meeting.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

LABOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

John Duncan will schedule a November committee meeting to review the executive director's salary for board discussion/approval at the December meeting.

MEMBER FEE STRUCTURE COMMITTEE

John Duncan will serve as chair of this committee. A meeting will be scheduled soon to study and recommend a new IVRD fee schedule for members and associate members beginning September 1, 2026.

REPORTS

IVRD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director Brandon Miller provided the following report:

CESSA: Continue to meet bi-monthly. The state is moving forward with further dispatch center implementation. La Salle and Ottawa received notification they will be in the next phase of implementation.

Accreditation: Now that the CAD is live we will have more time to commit to the Medical and Fire Accreditation. We will be working on the applications over the next few weeks.

Staffing: Abby and Kamdyn are both moving along in training. Kaitlyn Baxter will be going on maternity leave in mid November. Abby will be covering third person on that rotation.

ProSuite CAD: As everyone knows we moved to the new CAD system as scheduled. As we knew the system is very different than Brownlee. We continue to work on configuration which will take some time to tweak. IVRD TCs will be making two site visits in early November to look at their configuration and workflow to ensure we are optimizing the system. We will be visiting Qcomm 9-1-1, a consolidated center on the IL side of the Quad Cities and the Whiteside County 9-1-1 center in Morrison. There are a number of systems across Northern IL using this system who could provide insight on workflows, etc. Any outstanding issues should be passed along to Sgt Gatza, Chief Brown or myself to help rectify.

Jeff Grove asked about the feedback on the new CAD system. Mike Margis and Adam Curran both reported there is a learning curve but agreed everyone will eventually adjust. Doug Bernabei reported when he introduced the Brownlee/VP CAD program years ago, it was met with pushback. Like with any change, people will become accustomed to the new program, adding the reporting options/ability is amazing. Ray Gatza reported being fully accustomed to the new program after using it for a year. Executive Director Miller expressed gratitude for Sergeant Gatza's and Chief Brown's assistance with the implementation of the new CAD system, adding they were extremely influential in the program preparation.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

No report.

REPORTS

FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES

None

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, November 25, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

Dennis Rutishauser made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jason Curran seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.