

## IAEM-USA Region 4

### September 2014: Monthly Report

Lanita Lloyd, CEM – Region President

Doug Bryson – Region President-Elect

Rick Cox – Region Secretary/Treasurer

Ron Campbell – Region Immediate Past President

**The IAEM-USA Region 4 Officers Election (for President-Elect) and a vote on an amendment to the IAEM-USA Region 4 Bylaws:** Held from Sept. 2 - 15. A total of 208 Region 4 members voted in this election and bylaws vote. Chauncia Willis, MPA, MEP, CEM, was elected President-Elect of Region 4. The proposed bylaws amendment passed, with 191 voting yes, 13 no, and 4 abstentions. ***Congratulations to Chauncia Willis, who will become the Region 4 President-Elect at the IAEM-USA 2014 Annual Conference!***

**Proposed Bylaws Changes:** The Region 4 Bylaws Committee, led by our current Region 4 President Elect, Doug Bryson, met on Sept. 25. It has been several years since the Region's Bylaws have been updated. Look for more news this week to vote on proposed changes!

#### President's Activities:

- Distributed regional September update to all members
- Attended the IAEM-USA Board Meeting via Conference Call, Sept. 16
- With Region 4 Officers, Region 4 Nominations Chair, and IAEM-USA Staff, prepared Bylaws materials and Region 4 officer-candidate materials.
- Met with Region 4 Bylaws Committee, Sept. 25
- Continue to update the Region 4 webpage to share information specific to the region

#### President's Other Activities:

- Membership and Marketing Committee (Liaison): Meeting held on Sept. 4. Continue to coordinate with committee chair.
- Standards and Practices (Liaison): Meeting on Sept. 8.
- CEM® Commission Meeting and Reviews, Sept. 11-13

#### Member Engagement:

- Emailed "Welcome" to new IAEM Region 4 Members
- Distributed information to all members on pertinent Emergency Management issues, including legislative updates from IAEM Policy Advisor, Martha Braddock. During September, our focus was to review our Region 4 Bylaws and continue promoting our Regional elections.

#### Region 4 Student Scholarship Basket:

This year the Region 4 Student Scholarship Basket, "Unbridled Spirit of Change", will focus on Kentucky and coincide with the conference's overarching theme "Navigating the New Normal". Now it's time to fill the basket with enticing items, so we can attract attendees to buy tickets for a chance to win our basket! Last year, we filled **TWO** bags with tickets!!! This was a first! If you are attending the conference, you can bring your items and turn them in there – more information to come. If you are not attending the conference, you can still join in the fun by shipping donations to:

**Chauncia Willis**  
**Emergency Coordinator**  
**City of Tampa Office of Emergency Management**  
**808 E. Zack Street**  
**Tampa, FL 33602**

All donations are greatly appreciated!

**REMINDER: Costs for the 2014 IAEM-USA Conference and EMEX increase on October 15. Be sure to register soon!!!**

## Show your support by voting!!!

IAEM-USA elections began September 15<sup>th</sup>. There are two (2) candidates for **IAEM-USA** Second Vice President and two (2) candidates for IAEM-USA Secretary. In the Voting Area, you can click on each candidate's name to read or download a PDF with their candidate statement, photo, phone number, and email address. You are encouraged to learn about the IAEM-USA officer candidates and to vote! Should you need assistance with online voting or have any questions about the election, please email Karen Thompson at [Thompson@iaem.com](mailto:Thompson@iaem.com).

Members may vote on two proposed IAEM-USA Bylaws amendments will from Oct. 21- Nov. 18. Once voting begins, you can vote on the Bylaws here: <http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=council/usa/Bylaws-Amendment-Vote2014>

### Other Updates:

#### Region 4 Webpage

Our webpage can be viewed at <http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=council/usa/region4> *As always, please remember to send me information to post and/or pictures of events when available.*

#### IAEM Bulletin

The September IAEM Bulletin is available to all IAEM members online; you can download it at: <http://www.iaem.com/members/201409bulletinonline.pdf>

#### Important Dates:

- Oct. 12-15, 2014: NCEMA Fall Conference, Sunset Beach, NC
- Oct. 27-30, 2014: EMAT Conference, Nashville, TN
- Nov. 12-13, 2014: EMAG, 56th Annual Membership Meeting, Dillard, GA
- Nov. 14-19, 2014: IAEM Annual Conference, Grand Hyatt, San Antonio, TX
- Feb. 9-15, 2015: FEPA Annual Meeting and Workshop, Orlando, FL
- June 23-26, 2015: AAEM Annual Conference, AL/MS Hurricane Conference & Governor's Preparedness Conference, Mobile, AL

Be sure to read the Conference Newsletter at: <http://www.iaem.com/documents/Conference-Call-July-Aug-2014.pdf>

#### Organizational Information:

- **Board Minutes**
  - IAEM USA Board minutes can be found at <http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=council/usa/board-minutes&lvl=3>

Thanks again to the members who have taken the time to respond to requests to participate in various activities in IAEM on behalf of Region 4. I also appreciate your emails and calls about questions, concerns, and other input. For those of you still searching for opportunities to be more engaged, please review the committees and caucuses at <http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=groups/us-committees> and select a group to get involved with. You can contact the Chair of the group directly. I am always available if you have comments or questions!

Thanks for all you do!

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