



State Interoperability Executive Council Meeting Minutes

Presentation:

June 9, 2009, 9:30 a.m.
Oregon Department of Forestry
Tillamook Room – Bldg C
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Salem, Oregon 97310

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Attendees Include:

Jeff Johnson, Chair
Kristi Wilde, Vice-Chair
Lindsay Ball
Kathy George
Sean McSpaden

Russ Burger
David Hard
David Brooks
Peter van den Berg
Rock Rakosi

Meeting

On Tuesday, June 9, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. Chair Jeff Johnson began the presentation on Digital Noise by Chief Charles Werner, Charlottesville, VA. Chief Werner is the chair of the SAFECOM Executive Committee, IAFC Technology Committee, and the IAFC Digital Project Task Force. Chief Werner can be contacted at 434-970-3323 or by email at werner@charlottesville.org for further information or questions.

Lindsay Ball asked Chief Werner about his thought on the FCC requiring digital. Chief Werner said he believes the future is digital. He said users need to encourage vendors to meet the intelligibility issues.

Lindsay Ball followed up by asking about a training regimen. Chief Werner said there is a training program available for the implementation of best practices. The training is good for any radio, not just digital.

Lindsay Ball asked how we can affect the change nationwide to get more training on radio operations. Chief Werner said limitations have been funding and time. He suggested the concern should be pushed back to the IAFC and perhaps institutionalizing training.

Chief Johnson asked about examples where people have paired up the analog and digital radio systems. Chief Werner, due to a lack of time, will send a presentation about the system being used in Virginia.

At 10:00 a.m. Chair Jeff Johnson called the State Interoperability Executive Council (Council) to order.

Sean McSpaden introduced his replacement, Dugan Petty, Department of Administrative Services.

Council Minutes

The Council reviewed the April 2009 Council minutes.

Rock Rakosi moved to approve the minutes as written. Sean McSpaden seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair's Report

Jeff Johnson, Chair

Chief Johnson spent most of his recent time working with the Oregon Legislature on the public safety funding request ensuring the legislature has real time up to date information. Chief Johnson thanked the Sheriffs, Police Chiefs, Fire Chiefs, APCO and local government partners for being responsive when called upon to ensure the legislature is aware of the significance of the OWIN project.

Chief Johnson gave an update on the Public Safety Spectrum Trust A block work. The only broadband left is 10MHz in A block and 10MHz in D block. The 20MHz spectrum represents the public safety spectrum trust. The D block failed to meet the minimum bid requirement on the auction. This put the D block back out to auction. An agreement has been reached for the public safety licensee to sublicense some bandwidth out of the A block with some caveats.

Lindsay Ball asked if there will be federal dollars the state's can apply for to get grants. Chief Johnson responded that the legislative delegation is surprised that the currently available funding is going to the locals and not to interoperability. In public safety broadband there will be funding coming. That funding will be directed toward the larger statewide systems.

In August Chief Johnson will take over as president of the International Fire Chiefs Association. He will have a permanent office in Washington D.C. for the year that he has the position.

SCIP Update

Kristi Wilde, Strategic Planning Committee Chair

The Oregon Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP), first adopted in 2003, morphed to the latest update in April 2008. The April 2009 workshop was scheduled to review and align Oregon's SCIP with the National Emergency Communications Plan (NECP), as well

as to update strategic goals and objectives. There were fifteen members present during the workshop, in addition to member of the Office of Emergency Communications (OEC).

Kristi Wilde presented an overview of the Oregon (SCIP) Workshop, including agenda, outcomes and a brief overview of goals and initiatives. The Strategic Planning Committee will bring the updated SCIP to the Council in the near future for adoption. The next step in the plan is to look at the whole plan and reformat it into a formal document for presentation to the council. There will also be a plan for new goals and actions for the Council's adoption.

Russ Burger suggested bringing the SIEC Committees together to partner on the strategic goal assignments before presenting the goals to the Council. This will be scheduled in the near future.

OWIN REPORT

Lindsay Ball, Director

Lindsay Ball announced that SB559 passed allowing Native American tribes to appoint a member or a designee to the SIEC. The governor will sign the bill within the next few weeks.

The Quality Assurance request for proposal (RFP) process has been put on hold. A new RFP will go out in the next few weeks

OWIN is currently in negotiations with Black and Veatch on the Architect and Engineering contract.

Lindsay Ball expressed his appreciation of everyone involved in keeping the OWIN project in front of the legislators and supporting the importance of the project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Technical Committee – David Brooks

No formal meeting today. Will have an informal meeting today then an update will be made next month.

Partnership Committee – Russ Burger

No meeting today or report.

Strategic Planning Committee – Kristi Wilde

Kristi Wilde distributed a Draft of Policy Action¹⁰ for the Council to get familiar with. The Committee is recommending the OWIN business case be updated to reflect the single band requirement. She requested feedback from the Council and will bring the Policy Action before the Council at a later date for formal adoption.

Kristi Wilde announced an informal meeting of the Strategic and Technical Committees would occur immediately following the SIEC meeting. This will be an opportunity to take a look at the priorities that were set in the 2003 Charter for the Technical Committee and where they fit today.

700MHz Regional Planning Committee Report
Joe Kuran, Region 35 Planning Committee
Next meeting on June 26 at WCCCA facility.

Exhibit A: Business Case Update: Policy Action 10

Kristi Wilde introduced Policy Action 10 to the Council. Policy Action 10 addresses the system bandwidth and revision of the OWIN Business Case. **This Exhibit was presented during the Committee Briefing earlier in the meeting.**

Open Discussion/Questions

Chief thanked Kristin Chaffee for her help and support while he has been traveling on business recently.

He also congratulated the OWIN staff and partners on moving the project forward.

Public Comment

No public comment.

Adjourn

Chair Jeff Johnson adjourned the meeting at 11:00am