



State Interoperability Executive Council Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2012 – 11:00am

Department of Public Safety Standards & Training | Hall of Heroes Conference Room
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On Tuesday, April 17, 2012, at 11:02 a.m. Council Chair Jeff Johnson called the State Interoperability Executive Council to order.

ATTENDEES INCLUDE (Quorum – Not met)

Jeff Johnson, Chair
Craig Durbin
Dave Stuckey
Steve Noel, *non-voting member*

Rock Rakosi
Jeff Dickerson
Wayne Siver *for Tami Dohrman*

Paul Bell
Kathy George
Tom Lauer, *non-voting member*

COUNCIL MINUTES

As quorum was not met, minutes from the January session were not approved and remain in draft form until which time it can be approved.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Staff: Jeff Johnson, Chair

Since the D-Block decision was made in February, the federal government has been working to establish a governance structure for the allocated frequency spectrum. This governing board – First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) – will be working to identify and approve board members by late August 2012.

Once all seats have been filled, the board is slated to deliver technical requirement for the new network. At this time, it is understood that each state will be provided with a unique network platform and operational standards. Each state will have 90 days to evaluate the model and determine whether it will, as a whole, participate in the system. If a state choose not to participate, it must submit “opt-out” documentation, otherwise it will be automatically enrolled. Opting out of the systems also requires a 20% match of some kind; details associated with the match have not been identified and/or released.

As additional information is released about the proposed system or the FirstNet board, the council will share the information with all interested parties.

STATE RADIO PROJECT MANAGEMENT REPORT

Staff: Tom Lauer – Major Project Branch, State Radio Project

The project continues to move forward with mountaintop repeater installations. Planning for upcoming office remote installations is underway. Radio deployment for ODOT and OSP continues to be suspended, pending the outcome of testing on the software system patch deployed by radio vendor, Harris. The project is forecasting that the delay in mobile and portable installations will push the project beyond the Jan. 1, 2013 deadline for narrowbanding. As such, radio project management is drafting a waiver request for submission to the FCC to extend the deadline for an additional year.

Preliminary designs for the microwave and trunked radio systems are complete; final designs are scheduled for completion in July. Planning and development is also underway to implement a test bed for the trunked radio system.

Efforts to complete the project's partnership obligations are progressing well and the project is on target for meeting all of its obligations.

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Staff: Kristi Wilde

As Vice-Chair Wilde was not in attendance, no report was given.

PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Staff: Kathy George

Commissioner George reported the committee has drafted a preliminary work plan for discussion at its next meeting scheduled for May.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Staff: Joe Kuran

As Joe Kuran was not in attendance, no report was given.

STATE RADIO USERS GROUP REPORT

Staff: Tom Lauer

Tom Lauer reported that the State Radio Users Group has continued to meet monthly. The group has focused its efforts on organizational and governance issues related to the future structure that will support the completed system.

700 MHz REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Staff: Joe Kuran

As Joe Kuran was not in attendance, no report was given.

STATEWIDE INTEROPERABILITY COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Staff: Steve Noel

The Technical Assistance offerings from the federal Office of Emergency Communications are underway. Three Communication Unit Technician courses have been scheduled for spring. All events are posted on the council website on the "Upcoming Events" page.

- April 16th – 20th in Aloha
- May 14th – 18th in Salem
- June 4th – 8th in Pendleton

Staff are working to complete a revision to the Interoperable Field Operations Guide. The IFOG details communications information such as: 1) how will a person communicate with others in a given region; 2) how can a person locate a specific type of communication vehicle, or all vehicles located within a given region. Once completed, the IFOG will be posted to the council website.

OEC staff are onsite today to present the state with one of its technical assistance offerings, the Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP) update and Broadband 101 workshop. The focus of this effort will be how to integrate broadband components into the state's existing SCIP. Staff would like to have the SCIP revision completed prior to the FirstNet decision deadline.

Chair Johnson noted that Voice Over LTE (VOLTE) will not be available immediately; however it will change the manner in which the system operates moving forward.

OPEN DISCUSSION & QUESTIONS

Chris Tamarin, representative of the Oregon Broadband Advisory Council, reported the council's broadband mapping project continues to be updated; to view the progress, visit the council website at www.broadband-oregon.org.

The council has also welcomed four new representatives this year:

- Susan Ackerman, Public Utility Commission of Oregon
- Ann Carloss, Hood River School District
- Mike Smith, Sherman County Commissioner
- Tom Worthy, Oregon State Police

Steve Noel noted that the Vital Connections event held April 3rd – 5th in Salem was successful. For those who were not able to attend, information about the event can be found in the May issue of the State Radio Project's Monthly Progress Report.

PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

ADJOURN

Chair Johnson requested a motion for adjournment. Rock Rakosi entered a motion; Kathy George seconded. The April session of the SIEC adjourned at 11:57 a.m.