

NPSBN SUBCOMMITTEE

THURSDAY JULY 16, 2020
1:00 PM

WEB & TELECONFERENCE

MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting convened at 1:00 PM.
2. Quorum was established with 8/15 members present. Attended via teleconference: Connie Bandt, Paul Hughes, Gerry Klein, Jaron McCallum, Theron Rutyna, Kyle Schaefer, Victor Voss, and David Zibolski.

Members absent: Kevin Fosso, Brandon Frederick, David Harvey, Peter Nimmer, Dale Schmidt, John Schrader, and AJ Schroeder.

3. Meeting Minutes
 - A. Review and approval of May 21, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the meeting minutes by Zibolski. Seconded by Hughes. Unanimous approval.

4. Old Business
 - A. Membership Update
 - 1) Klein welcomed the new Subcommittee Members
 - B. DNC Update – *Paul Hughes*
 - 1) The physical footprint of the Democratic National Committee event (and associated requirements) is continuing to shrink.
 - 2) The Multi Agency Coordination Center (MACC), will be open on July 20th for equipment to be deployed within.
 - Some initial testing within the MACC has shown that there is internet capability within, and that there is good phone coverage with both Verizon and Band 14.
 - 3) Radio conflict testing is scheduled for the weekend prior to the event.
 - C. WECS Status Update
 - 1) Provide outreach and education on status of emerging public safety broadband services.
 - Margaret Zieke and Molly Boss provided some background on the WECS Tactics.
 - Zieke led a discussion and review of the draft NPSBN Subcommittee Outreach and Education Plan.
 - D. OEC Website Discussion
 - 1) Zieke led a group discussion on suggested content for the NPSBN Subcommittee Webpage within the OEC Website.
5. New Business
 - A. Upcoming Conferences and Events
 - 1) Hughes shared some background on this topic, including the goal to have NPSBN Subcommittee representation at these events.
 - 2) Klein reviewed the list with the group.

B. Public Safety Broadband Offerings Update

- 1) There have been two pieces of HPUE (High Powered User Equipment) that have been approved to operate on FirstNet: Assured Wireless USB Modem and the AirgainConnect AC-HPUE. These modems produce a higher decibel watt than other equipment.
 - Zieke asked for members to share their experiences if anyone uses either of these pieces of equipment.
- 2) Molly Boss shared that there is a recording available of a webinar that FirstNet produced for the state of Indiana about LMR/LTE integration. A link will be shared with the Subcommittee.

C. Klein asked for an update on the current OEC managed RFPs.

- 1) Boss shared that the ESInet RFP is in the evaluation stage. The goal is to have a contract in place by the end of 2020.
- 2) Erik Viel shared that the WISCOM project is broken out into three aspects:
 - An RFP to hire a consultant. The Intent to Award has been issued and it is now in the protest and appeals period.
 - The infrastructure. Step one of this is an infrastructure assessment. Edge Consulting has been contracted to complete the assessment and they have completed phase one of this assessment.
 - The WISCOM system. An RFI has been released to gather creative solutions from vendors. An Executive Steering Committee is leading this portion of the project. Both rounds of vendor question periods have been completed, and the next step will be to review vendor proposals after they are due in August.

6. There was no public comment.

7. Next Meeting Date and Location: September 17, 2020.

8. Meeting adjourned at 2:05 PM.

Motion to adjourn by Zibolski. Seconded by Rutyna. Unanimous approval.

Respectfully Submitted,
Meredith Hauge
DMA/OEC