

Land Mobile Radio (LMR) Subcommittee

WEDNESDAY JULY 22, 2020 -- 1:30 PM

WEB/TELECONFERENCE ONLY

MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting convened at 1:04 PM.
2. Quorum was established with 12/15 members present. Present via teleconference: Christine Churchill, Carl Guse, Frank Hanousek, Robert Hartson, Ken Kortenhof, Todd Lindert, Tim Lizotte, Joseph Massie, Tucker McCumber, Russell Schreiner, and Paul Susienka, and James Westover.

Members absent: Taylor Holum, Doug Lofreddo, and Jon Yaskal.

3. Meeting Minutes
 - A. Review and approval of the May 27, 2020 meeting minutes.

Motion to approve meeting minutes by Kortenhof. Seconded by Massie. Unanimous approval.

4. Public Comment – There was no public comment.

5. Old Business

- A. LMR Subcommittee Membership

- 1) Westover welcomed the new Subcommittee Members and shared their background.
 - 2) Review Subcommittee Nominees
 - The Subcommittee reviewed the nominee for the following seat:
 - a) Representative from an American Indian Tribe or Band
 - i. Eric Boulanger was the only candidate to apply. Massie shared his experience working with the candidate and recommended him for the seat. The Subcommittee had no objection to the nominee being recommended for confirmation by the Interoperability Council.

- B. Review and Possible Approval of COMU WG Recommended Recognition Renewal Candidates

- 1) Lindert provided background on the candidate renewals and recommended that all renewals be approved.
 - Carl Guse, Communications Technician (COMT) & Communications Unit Leader (COML)
 - Todd Neumann, Communications Technician (COMT) & Communications Unit Leader (COML)
 - John Schrader, Communications Technician (COMT)

Motion to approve the recognition renewal for all three COMU candidates for their next 5-year term by Lizotte. Seconded by Schreiner. Unanimous approval.

- C. Review and Possible Approval of 18-Month COVID-19 Time Extension for PTB Completion for COMU Recognition Candidates

- 1) Lindert shared some details regarding the COMU WG's recommendation for an 18-month extension for all COMU recognition candidates due to the lack of training opportunities due to COVID-19.

Motion to approve the 18-month extension for all COMU recognition candidates by Churchill. Seconded by Massie. Unanimous approval.

D. Update on Air Ground Medical LZ Coordination and MABAS's Approval

- 1) Westover shared some background on this topic before getting to the current position from MABAS. MABAS does not want to be the only statewide organization to authorize the designation of Fireground GRAY/8TACGRAY as the primary channel and Fireground BLACK/8TACBLACK as the secondary channel for LZ coordination. MABAS is requesting feedback from other organizations such as Badger State Sheriffs' Association (BSSA), and Wisconsin EMS Association.
- 2) Westover asked for members of the Subcommittee to reach out to their affiliated organizations and come to the September meeting with that feedback. Susienka volunteered to present this topic to BSSA, and Korten Hof offered to present the topic to North East Wisconsin Public Safety Communications (NEWCOM).

E. WECS Status Update – Tabled due to time constraints.

F. OEC Website Discussion

- 1) Heather Harris-Fatty presented her proposed content for the LMR Subcommittee webpage.

G. Communications Unit Recognition Program Standard Operating Guidelines

- 1) Molly Boss summarized the edits that were made and the reason for the edits.

Motion to approve the Communications Unit Recognition Program Standard Operating Guidelines as amended by McCumber. Seconded by Lindert. Unanimous approval.

6. New Business

A. Usage of VLAW31 in Dane County

- 1) Westover led a discussion about VLAW31 being polluted by unnecessary radio transmissions, and potential options for this issue.

B. Emission Types on State Interop Channels

- 1) Westover led a discussion about emission types and the possibility of encryption.

C. Statewide Encryption Plan

- 1) Westover led a discussion about the possible development of a statewide encryption plan.

D. Review and Possible Approval of the CASM Policy

Motion to approve the CASM Policy by Massie. Seconded by Schreiner. Unanimous approval.

E. Review and Possible Approval of the COMU WG Operating Procedures Document

Motion to approve the COMU WG Operating Procedures by McCumber. Seconded by Guse. Unanimous approval.

7. Next Meeting Date: September 23, 2020.

8. Meeting adjourned at 2:33 PM

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by McCumber. Seconded by Lindert. Unanimous approval.

Respectfully Submitted,
Meredith Hauge
DMA/OEC