

## STATE INTEROPERABILITY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 13, 2009

### **CALL TO ORDER – 10:25 AM**

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### MEMBERS PRESENT

Neil Cameron  
David Collins  
Tom Czaja  
Larry Nelson  
Ben Schliesman  
David Steingraber  
Mark Wahl

##### GUESTS

Steve Hansen  
Jeff Ohnstad  
Darrel Waldera

##### OJA STAFF

David Spenner  
David Roberts

### **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES**

#### MOTION

- Motion made by Tom Czaja to approve past meeting minutes
- Motion seconded by Ben Schliesman
- Motion carries

### **REPORT ON OJA INTEROPERABILITY ACTIVITIES – DAVID SPENNER**

#### 1. ROUND FIVE RADIO GRANT

- Due date for 56 county emergency management applications is October 29, 2009
- Awards will be made by December 1, 2009
- 1 Dual-Band portable per agency

#### 2. SCIP COUNCILS

Received federal waiver for IECCP hiring, will see grant in the next month

#### 3. COML COURSE

- In process of awarding grant

#### 4. COML is leadership-oriented and compatible with NIMS and incident command structure

- COML is a nationally recognized training for 30 people / class

#### 5. TACTICAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS PLAN (TICP) WORKSHOPS

- Four workshops currently on-going
- Goal is to have all counties have TICPs
- The plans are operational / tactical and meant to complement the ESF2 (the TICP will easily fit into any ESF

revisions)

## **REPORT ON URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE INTEROPERABILITY ACTIVITIES**

### **FUNDING**

- Budget committee asked for next round of funding
- ITAC / VTAC Overlay new interoperability addition
- New command posts being purchased for every UASI county
- Increasing bio-terrorism monitoring capabilities

## **STATEWIDE SYSTEM MANAGEMENT GROUP REPORT – DAVID SPENNER**

### **WISCOM UPDATES**

- Public Safety Interoperable Communications funds to Department of Transportation, Bureau of Communications going through (PSIC grant extension possible, being considered congressionally)
- EF Johnson selected as vendor
- Protest letter in DoT Legal, should be a non-issue
- Technical workgroup to look at system options on October 21, 2009

## **MUTUAL-AID FREQUENCY GROUP REPORT – TOM CZAJA**

### **MEETING OVERVIEW**

- Inaugural meeting on September 29, 2009
- Roles, membership, and bylaws addressed
- Milwaukee MARC repeater and Michigan / Wisconsin mutual aid also addresses

## **PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT STANDARDS WORKGROUP REPORT – DAVID SPENNER**

### **MEETING OVERVIEW**

- Workgroup was commissioned to study PSAPs
- Has met twice and had significant outside dialogue

### **MOTION**

- Motion made by Neil Cameron to interpret scope of public safety answering point (PSAP) standards to include conventional dispatch centers attached to PSAPs (designated call centers)
- Motion seconded by Ben Schliesman
- Motion carries

## **COML COURSE INTERIM CREDENTIALING PROCESS**

### **PROPOSED ACTION**

- “The Interoperability Council moves to use the credentialing process as proposed for COML training and all related communications unit positions.”

### **DISCUSSION**

- Intention is not to create separate system from Wisconsin Emergency Management, but don't have a list or transition yet
- DNR has a credentialing system

### **MOTION**

- Motion made by Tom Czaja to approve proposed action
- Motion seconded by Ben Schliesman
- Motion carries

## **MFCG POLICY ON “COMPANDERING”**

### **PROPOSED ACTION**

- “The Interoperability Council moves to amend Policy Statement #4 regarding narrow banding policies and add language that prohibits “compandering” on mutual aid channels.”

**MOTION**

- Motion made by Neil Cameron for discussion
- Motion seconded by Tom Czaja
- Amendment
- Policy to include funding requirements
- Motion carries

**INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS CREDENTIALING GROUP CHARTERING**

**PROPOSED ACTION**

- “The Interoperability Council moves to accept the report, charter the Interoperable Communications Credentialing Group (ICCG), and recommend OJA adopt the ‘Compliance with PSAP Standards’ policy.”

**MOTION**

- Motion made by Neil Cameron to approve proposed action
- Motion seconded by Tom Czaja for discussion
- Discussion
  - Concern about the use of “credentialing” in the name of the group, as this group would be advisory only
- Amendment
  - Group to be called “Interoperable Communications Standards Group”
- Motion carries

**COMPLIANCE WITH PSAPS POLICY**

- DISCUSSION
  - Concern that the council doesn't know what the standards are going to be
  - Recommendation that Homeland Security interoperability grants have a PSAP registration funding requirements
- MOTION
  - Motion made by Neil Cameron that the IC recommends OJA consider grant funding consequences to governments with PSAPs if they fail to complete an annual PSAP registration and that discussion (on sanctions related to not meeting adopted standards, and / or not being in compliance upon inspection) be taken up by the IC at a later date
  - Motion seconded by Ben Schliesman
  - Motion carries

**OTHER COMMENTS**

- DISCUSSION
  - Three counties in dialogue with Minnesota about ARMOR system use
  - Need to approach border states with this issue as a state, not counties

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

- DISCUSSION
  - Second or third week in January

**ADJOURNMENT – 1:25**

- MOTION
  - Motion made by Neil Cameron to adjourn
  - Motion seconded by Tom Czaja