Kansas SIEC
Regular Meeting
June 25, 2014

Minutes

The Kansas Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee met in regular session at the 1 North Main, Hutchinson, Kansas.

Members present. Cole Presley, Dick Heitschmidt, Michele Abbott, Col. Ed Garcia, Col. Chris Stratmann, Jonathon York, Bob McLemore, Kerry McCue and Edwin Geer.

Others present. Jason Bryant, Michaela Isch, Craig Divoll, Derrick Vorhees, JL Ellis, (KS-OEC), Eric Pippin (KHP), Jim Lundsted (DHS/OEC), Barbara Rankin and Kris McKinney (KDOT).

Call to order. The meeting was called to order by Cole Presley, Chairperson, at 13:00.

Minutes. The minutes of the March 17, 2014 regular meeting were reviewed. Motion by Dick Heitschmidt to accept as printed, Chairperson Cole Presley declared minutes accepted without objection.
(Action #14-09)

Discussion/Action Items.

Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP). Updates on actionable items from the SCIP were discussed. Chairperson Presley detailed item 1.2, revision of the SIEC charter. A draft was presented with suggested changes. Other changes were also discussed to include 9 D, add Department of Commerce to Advisory members under #18; change to wording for designating vice-chair to "as soon as possible"; 10. A – add "in person or by teleconference". Chairperson Presley will redraft the suggested changes and distribute electronically to all members for review.
Item 1.3, membership criteria, was also discussed. Chairperson Presley will draft a letter detailing member requirements.
Item 2.2, subject matter experts, consensus was to move this to an ongoing goal.
Item 3.1, SIEC long term sustainment, Chairperson Presley detailed a letter sent to cabinet level appointees seeking long term sustainment. Col. Stratmann will issue a report to the SIEC membership detailing funding discussions for SIEC and KSICS (Kansas Statewide Interoperable Communications System).
Item 3.2, action options for sustainment, had extensive discussion with input from Barbara Rankin, Chief Counsel and Kris McKinney, staff attorney, for KDOT detailing a study to be completed by KDOT concerning the use and sustainment of KSICS. Col. Stratmann read a message for public safety agencies and it will be reviewed by KDOT and the SIEC before publication.

Due to time constraints, other agenda items including 5.1, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4, 8.1, 9.1, 10.1, 11.1, 11.2, 12.1, 12.2, 13.1 and 14.1 will be carried over to the next meeting. Chairperson Presley asked that those responsible for providing information or updates for those items please send it to him so that it can be distributed to the members for the next meeting.

Barbara Rankin, Chief Counsel and Kris McKinney, staff attorney, for KDOT discussed issues between Kansas and Colorado for users of KSICS. At present, all Colorado users have been notified the user agreements would be cancelled. Ongoing discussions will be held to attempt to reconcile differences between Kansas and Colorado laws pertaining to the radio systems in each state. Federal agency use of KSICS was also discussed with no apparent remedy.

Next Meeting. The next meeting of the SIEC will be held at a time and location to be announced by the Chariperson.

Adjourn. With no further business before the committee, Chairperson Cole Presley moved to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 16:25.
(Action #14-10)

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED: _____
Cole Presley, Chairperson

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Jimmy Reed, Vice-Chairperson