

# East Central Region Governance Meeting

March 2, 2012

10:00 am to 11:30 am

## Agenda

**Location:** Map Room – Platte Co. Courthouse (basement), 2610 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Columbus, NE

**Chair:** Bob Carey, *Polk County* Sheriffs Office

**Co-Chair:** Terry Miller, *Saunders County*

**Secretary/Treasurer:** Tim Hofbauer, *Platte County*

- I. Review of the Open Meeting Law**
- II. Roll Call of Counties Present** - Platte, Region 44 (Nance-Merrick- Boone), Dodge, Howard, Polk, Butler, Colfax, Saunders
- III. Approve February's Governance Board Minutes**
  - a. Minutes approved with the exception of the date which will be changed. Colfax motions, Region 44 Seconds. Motion Passes
- IV. Public Health Report**
  - a. Laura reports that Public Health emergency preparedness at the local level support funding is reduced – there is no carryover funding and likely a 10% decrease in funding. Current staffing will remain.
  - b. Public Health will have a larger presence at the Nebraska Emergency Preparedness Conference.
- V. Functional Needs Registry**
  - a. Meeting at 1:00 pm to continue development of the system
- VI. 2008 HSG**
  - a. On-going projects**
    1. Generator/Tower remediation – grant is closed turned \$72.69 back to state
    2. State Patrol Interoperability – equipment is on order.
    3. ID systems - Dave explains the difference – questions on Credentialing system – currently NEMA is working on an agreement with North Central District Public Health for creation of the Credentialing card, which is more than an ID card as it included the verifications of the training and credentials an individual holds. *Resource Manager Web* will allow regions to go in and produce the Credentialing cards for a 1 time purchase of a print card. Roll out of this project will begin within the next month and training will begin regionally across the state. Standards are set with NIMS criteria.
    4. Regional Repeater – on order and pieces are arriving
- VII. Regional Projects**
  - a. **NRIN** - working with other counties to determine tower locations – possibly may be able to use the Albion water tower. Grant funds may be used – per Nicki Weber that grant funds may be used to cost share.
  - b. Tim is working on getting the figures for other tower locations that may be used.
  - c. COOP planning – plans are coming out to each county. Progress is variable in each county at this time but is moving ahead
  - d. **Paraclete Internet Connectivity** – Alisia discusses clarification of the MOU's. She suggests a regional MOU which makes things easy – there needs to be a primary and secondary on each MOU. The boxes also need to be able to be accessed by everyone - to get the frequencies in all of the boxes for the Paraclete

system both in region and out of region. Everyone, including surrounding counties should be included. Anyone who is a primary frequency holder MUST sign off on the regional MOU's. Tim suggests putting a Paraclete box in the Howard County area which is in great need. Alicia explains that NEMA has extra boxes and she is currently working with Mike Jefferies to get these accessible to the regions. NEMA is also working on creating a special server to increase speed and less difficulty. Interop Solutions did set up the boxes in an unconventional manner – so a bordering county is not necessarily the secondary connection. NEMA has an intent to sustain the equipment servers (\$3000 per) and they will get more information out. Paraclete classes on battery changes and frequency changes will commence soon. NEMA intends to make purchase of some equipment and test it before additional purchases are made by the regions. Alisia will distribute an SOP template for activation, use and operations. If there are other protocols regions can add them as appropriate. The template has SOP's on how to use Paraclete on a regular basis.

#### **VIII. Presentation by Geo-Comm**

Discussion on PSAP operational standards; wireless testing or location of callers. Discussed models for PSAP operation and options for 1) each PSAP as an independent controller; 2) a single next Gen 911 controller that is the central location – all other work stations hub off of this unit; 3) one county controller as a host with necessary PSAP upgrades to transition to Next Gen 911 (NG9-1-1) 4) one county controller host with necessary PSAP upgrades to NG9-1-1 in addition to securing a shared regional back up controller; 5 – Does everyone want to join a micro system. NRIN system is being built and the question is to wait for that or to build an in region system to use now.

#### **IX. 2011 Work Plan**

a. Tim sent out the copy of the completed workplan.

#### **X. Update on NEMA and NCOR/NWIN Meetings**

a. Grant update \$2.6 million - less than previous years just to sustain programs. Air cards are funded through 2014 - after that counties will need to be responsible for these costs.

#### **XI. State Updates**

- b. **Executive Order** – Tim will send out as soon as he receives it from the Lt. Governor's office. The new Order eliminates NCOR – NWIN and combines the two for equal representation .
- a. **NRIN** - separate governance that is being worked on now.
- b. **IJ Workshop** is scheduled for April 6, 2012
- c. **SCIP workshop** March 29, 2012 – location to be determined
- d. **NAEM Conference** - April 13, 2012

#### **XII. Public Comment**

a. None

#### **XIII. Upcoming Meetings**

Governance Meeting- April 6, 2012  
NCOR/NWIN – to be determined

**Motion to adjourn:** Motion: Region 44 Howard County seconds – Motion passes.