

# **911 Service System Advisory Committee Meeting**

February 12, 2020

Meeting convenes at 1:00 PM at  
1200 N Street 300 the Atrium  
Hearing Room Lincoln, NE 68509

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **Meeting called to order, Roll call and Introduction / Welcome of New Member**

Chairperson Neil Miller

Mr. Miller called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and stated that the Open Meetings Act Law is posted on the wall with copies available to anyone that might want one. Roll call was taken. There were 12 voting members present with 1 member excused and 2 non-voting members. A quorum existed to conduct official business. Mr. Sankey welcomed and introduced new member, Shane Weidner, to the committee. Mr. Weidner gave a brief background of his involvement in public safety to the committee.

Present from the Public Service Commission were Matt Effken, Tina Bartlett, Kathy Shepard, Deb Collins, Lynda Roesler, Jacki Synhorst, and Laurie Casados.

### **Consideration of the Minutes from the November 20, 2019 Meeting held at the PSC in Lincoln**

Mr. DeLaCastro made a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Obermier seconded. Chairperson Miller advised the committee all in favor say aye, all opposed nay. All members said, aye. Motion carried.

### **Old Business – Ongoing**

- Regionalization – Dave Sankey

A regionalization map handout with each region in a different color shade, with proposed PSAP areas in distinctive marks and colors coinciding with the region color they are looking to join. Sankey explained that Kimball County was joining the SC Region and that Sheridan County had joined the NC Region as well as Saline County joining the SE Region. He also informed the committee that Dodge and Colfax County were working to form a region and that PSAPs in the North East part of the state have a meeting scheduled to discuss final regionalization plans.

- ECaTS – Dave Sankey

The committee members were also provided a map with the various stages of ECaTS progress currently across the state. Mr. Sankey explained which PSAPs had the RDDM boxes installed, and where they have yet to be installed. Some PSAPs are connected and just waiting on line profiles to show collected data. Sankey described that they were waiting on cost proposals from a vendor that wanted to charge additional costs for installation. Stand-alone Cedar and Wayne Counties are connected.

## **Updates – Working Groups**

- GIS – MCP Molly Falls

After the South Central Regional meeting in December we heard from the PSAPs that they are wanting the PSC GIS to make the initial PSAP boundaries, send them out in an email to all the PSAP directors and let them give updates/changes and approval. We are working on that and you should be receiving those emails very soon. In progress, there are some MOU documents for boarder counties to agree to keep each other updated on any changes/updates to their shared borders.

- Training – Shelly Holzerland

The working group has reviewed the survey answers and found that the majority of those that were returned were in favor of a minimum set of guidelines and standards. The working group will be having a face-to-face meeting in March to try to get some initial standards discussed. Committee Chair Miller commented that, a certification process and continuing education hours per year are requirements of other responders in the public safety field and should be encouraged here.

- Technical – Neil Miller

We are working with state purchasing to get the RFP for the ESINet released with a target date of early March.

- Funding – Jon Rosenlund

After the last meeting, our group had clearer direction on the path that needed to be taken looking at the funding model. The Funding Working Group proposes that the PSC will pay 100% of the costs for a statewide ESINet, NG 911 core services, text-to-911, and legacy selective routing. The proposal will allow for a continued allocation to PSAPs for 911 Call Handling Equipment and other 911 related equipment. A new funding allocation model was presented to the Committee. The model consists of 3 separate categories: a base amount for each PSAP, call volume statistics, and PSAP area population. The new funding model would become effective when a region of PSAPs connected to the 911 Service System. A vote was taken to establish a percentage to each of the three categories.

Shelly Holzerland made a motion to set the percentages at 40% for a base amount, 40% for call volume, and 20% for population. Carla Zarybnicky and Randy Obermier simultaneously seconded.

Roll call vote: Miller-Yes, DeLaCastro-No, Allen-Yes, Bauer-No, Holzerland-Yes, Zarybnicky-Yes, Lottman-E, Obermier-Yes, Osborne-No, Rosenlund-Yes, Shoemaker-No, Thompson-Yes, Weidner-No Voting results are: Yes-7, No-5, and excused-1. Motion carried.

## **New Business – LB1156**

Mr. Miller explained that this bill is about an app referred to as a panic button for schools; PSAPs should be concerned with this being pushed out through legislation. This could be a way to mandate this product statewide. Some discussion took place about the bill as it was introduced by Sen. Vargas.

**Member Comments** – None

**Public Comments** – None

**Schedule of Next Meeting** – March 18, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at the PSC here in Lincoln

Schedule of 2020 Meetings were agreed upon by the board for the following dates:

May 13, 2020

July 15, 2020

Sept. 16, 2020

Nov. 18, 2020

All meetings will be at 1:00 P.M. and will be in the PSC hearing room in Lincoln

**Adjourn** – Meeting adjourned at 2:48 p.m. by Chairperson Miller