

Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee
State of Louisiana
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CHAIRMAN

MINUTES
July 26, 2017

The Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC) met on Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at the Department of Public Safety Services, Office of Management and Finance Building, Third Floor South Central Training Room, located at 7979 Independence Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806.

I. Call to Order

Chairman Chris Guilbeaux called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Chris welcomed GOHSEP Director Jim Waskom to the meeting. Jim thanked everyone for their continued commitment to interoperable communications and encouraged everyone to pay attention to the FirstNet briefing and ask as many question as possible of the presenters to ensure all questions are answered.

II. Roll Call

The SIEC roll call was conducted by Travis Johnson, and a quorum was established.

The following SIEC members were present or absent as noted:

Committee Members Present	Representing Agency
Chris Guilbeaux	Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP)
Neal Underwood	Division of Administration (DOA)
Ruessle DiSalvo, designee for Robert Benoit	Louisiana Fire Chiefs Association
Dick Gremillion	Regional Parish Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness Directors Committee
Adam White	Dept. of Public Safety & Corrections, Public Safety Services (DPS)
Brooke Campo, designee for Eric Miller	Louisiana Rural Ambulance Alliance
Aaron Miller	Region 1
Anthony Summers, designee for Billie Giroir	Region 2
Conrad Baker	Region 3
Stacey Blanchard	Region 4
Richard McGuire	Region 5
Sonya Wiley-Gremillion	Region 6

Wes Edge	Region 7
Sean Christian	Region 8
Rodney Hart, designee for Robert Seal	Region 9

Committee Members Absent	Representing Agency
Major Alan Dunn	Louisiana National Guard
Ricky Edwards	Louisiana Sheriffs Association
Brian Zeringue	Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police
Bill Vincent	Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO)
Vacant	Governor's Office of Indian Affairs

III. Approval of Minutes

Sonya Wiley-Gremillion made a motion to approve the April 26, 2017 meeting minutes with minor typographical corrections. Aaron Miller seconded the motion. The SIEC voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2017 meeting as amended.

IV. Chairman's Report

Chairman Christopher Guilbeaux provided the following report.

Recent LWIN Interoperability activities talk group request. Since the last meeting, 117 different days LWIN interoperability talkgroups were assigned for events such as:

- Ticfaw 200
- St Martin Parish Crawfish Festival
- LSP Special Ops Plaquemines SO
- JPSO memorial services
- LSP/PPSO multi-agency exercise
- Grand Gulf Exercise
- Tangipahoa SAR operations
- EBRSO LA-TX Brotherhood Ride

V. Statewide System Maintenance

Vernon McFadden with LSP Radio Communications provided the LWIN System Maintenance Report. A copy can be found on the SIEC website.

VI. Subcommittee Reports

A. Budget and Finance Subcommittee (BFSC)

Christina Dayries provided a report on behalf of BFSC Chairman Ricky Edwards:

A BFSC meeting was conducted at the Louisiana Sheriff's Association on July 25, 2017 and approved the following report.

GOHSEP will issue a purchase order to Motorola for the next phase of the LWIN software/hardware upgrade, pending final approval from the Division of Administration, which is expected second week of August. The \$1.2 million will fund 44 repeaters located at the PanAm and Bridge City LWIN sites.

GOHSEP will prepare the Fiscal Year 2018 – 2019 LWIN budget request in consultation with Louisiana State Police for maintenance cost for submission to the Division of Administration by October 15, 2018.

Overall SIEC/LWIN Budget Request FY 2018 / 2019 - \$13,809,266

GOHSEP Budget – New Request

Category	FY 18/19 Requested Budget	Comments
LWIN Software/Hardware Updgrade	3,175,412.00	Replace the remaining 137 of 181 repeaters by Dec 2018 per Motorola Contract
Convert four state-owned deployable trailers to nine channels to increase capacity.	905,488.00	The addition of repeaters to the four state-owned deployable trailers used as redundant communications for the Louisiana Wireless Information Network (LWIN) system tower sites due to loss of connectivity during disaster or emergency events. Current trailers include a six channel repeater package, but due to growth of LWIN for use by first responders, a nine channel repeater package is required. Recent emergency events when the trailers were used have resulted in busy signals on sites.
50 talkgroup licenses, 100 WAVE mobile communicator Android and iOS licenses, and one WAVE server.	631,098.00	The purchase of WAVE push-to-talk access apps for key emergency personnel over Android and iOS devices. This requires 50 talkgroup licenses, 100 WAVE mobile communicator Android and iOS licenses, and one WAVE server. This capability will allow command staff within first responder agencies to communicate via the LWIN system as a redundant means in the event of loss of cell phone connections, which was recently experienced during the August 2016 flooding event.
	4,711,998.00	

State Police - LWIN Maintenance Budget Information		
Category	FY 18/19 Requested Budget	Comments
Salaries/Related Benefits/Overtime	844,425.00	Increase to fully fund LWIN radio maintenance personnel
Other Charges-Travel	5,000.00	
Other Charges-Operating Services-Building Leases	800,000.00	
Other Charges-Operating Services-Utilities	303,800.00	Addition of 4 new sites. \$600/mth x \$2400 x 12 mts = \$28,800 annually. Electrical supply for tower, building and generator
Other Charges-Operating Services-Maintenance	250,000.00	Non recur carryforward maintenance PO
Other Charges-Supplies	250,000.00	
Other Charges-Professional Services	4,236,441.00	Increase in Motorola annual maintenance contract. Monitor 24/7, notify repair technicians to dispatch, provide detail system reports, provide two on-site personnel for day to day operations and monitoring. Increase in 11 tower sites.
Other Charges-Acquisitions	529,199.32	
Other Charges-IAT	164,398.00	
IAT-Telephone/T-1	1,124,000.00	Addition of 4 new sites. \$500/mth x 4 sites x 12 mts = \$24,000. T-1 cost only (connection between tower site and master site).
IAT-Payment to GOHSEP for Intero Prog Mgr	85,890.00	
*Other Charges-Aid to Locals: West Feliciana - 49,185.00 Iberville - 14,472.00 Terrebonne - 27,857.68 JPSO Region 1 - 400,000.00 Avoyelles - 12,600.00	504,114.68	
	9,097,268.00	

B. Policy and Planning Subcommittee (PPSC)

No report.

C. Technical Subcommittee (TSC)

No report.

D. Broadband Subcommittee (BSC)

BSC Chairman LTC Adam White provided the following report.

He introduced Jacqueline Miller-Wring of FirstNet and Ronny Caluda of AT&T. Both gave an update on the release of the State Plan, which was provided to all SIEC members on June 19, 2017. A copy of the FirstNet presentation can be found on the SIEC website.

LA FirstNet staff continues to provide outreach and information as we get new information from FirstNet, please contact our LA FirstNet staff if needed.

VII. Old Business

There was no old business.

VIII. New Business

Sonya Willey-Gremillion asked that the Technical Subcommittee relook into the Concordia site issues as they are still having problems in the Monterey area. Julio Peck advised he would send staff to look into and report to the Technical Subcommittee.

Tangipahoa Parish's Husser Volunteer Fire Chief asked that the Technical Subcommittee look into patching VHF system to LWIN. Julio Peck advised he would send staff to look into and report to the Technical Subcommittee.

IX. Public Comments

Aaron Miller of New Orleans OHSEP introduced Oschner Flight medics. The medics advised that they were having issues using LWIN and their Oschner frequencies with their dispatchers and asked if the SIEC could assist in resolving.

Chairman Guilbeaux referred the issue to Region 1 Interoperability Committee so they can address and if needed reach out to LSP Radio Communications and/or the Technical Subcommittee.

X. Adjournment

Chairman Guilbeaux announced the next SIEC meeting will be scheduled from October 25, 2017 and would entertain a motion to adjourn.

Wes Edge made a motion to adjourn. Aaron Miller seconded the motion. The SIEC voted unanimously to adjourn.