

SOUTH CENTRAL MINNESOTA
REGIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 15, 2017

The South Central Minnesota Regional Advisory Committee was called to order by Vice Chair Dan Davidson.

ROLL CALL

Blue Earth, Faribault, Le Sueur, Mankato, Martin, McLeod, Nicollet and Sibley present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kevin Mathews moved and Adam Gray seconded a motion to approve the December 14, 2016 meeting minutes. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

It is believed that Martin County's application for 2016 SHSP grant funds has been approved. Formal approval and documentation to be forthcoming.

NEW BUSINESS

Keith Ruffing requested use of SHSP grant funds for lodging costs to be incurred by himself and Andy Buckmeier while attending an ECN sponsored COMX training class in October 2017. Dave Lange moved and Melanie Nelson seconded a motion to approve use of SHSP grant funds for the lodging costs. The motion carried.

Dan Davidson advised that anyone wishing to attend the interoperability conference should email Dan. Reimbursement forms and related requirements were provided at the meeting, as well as emailed out to the RAC members.

Randy Donahue requested a volunteer to serve on a review panel for the National Weather Service standard. Although the standard was approved by the work group on a 6-1 vote, the State Board tabled it and sent it back to the work group again.

Randy Donahue advised that one person from our region is needed to participate on the regional board panel update session at the interop conference. Dan Davidson volunteered to be on the panel.

Randy Donahue advised that a planning meeting will be held on March 24, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. until noon in Stearns County with respect to the June 27 "convergence of technology" tabletop exercise planned in St. Cloud. Dan Davidson volunteered to attend and Adam Gray may attend as well. If lodging is needed, a request should be made to ECN in order to potentially have the expense covered by grant funds.

Randy Donahue provided an update with respect to committee members. Our region currently does not have a seat on the SRB, but will have an alternate seat in 2019 and a primary seat in 2020. No one currently represents our region on the Finance Committee or the Steering Committee. Our region

has an alternate on the Interop Committee, but no primary. No alternates are named for the iPAWS Committee or the Interop Data Committee.

Randy Donahue advised that the Southwest Region is under contract with the Minnesota Sheriffs Association to serve as the region's planner/coordinator. Randy will contact the MSA and request that they attend the next RAC meeting to explain what services they can offer for our region.

UDPATES

A discussion was held concerning 800 MHz paging. Product development appears to be ongoing. Kurt Woodruff will provide updates to the group as they come out.

Darrin Haeder will be billing members with respect to the regional logging maintenance fee.

Keith Ruffing advised that the Southeast Region is no longer interested in pursuing redundant recording in our region.

The regional communications vehicles currently housed in Marshall and Martin County were discussed. The Region 5 Sheriffs would like to sign the trucks over to the Southwest and South Central regions. There is an existing maintenance account for the vehicles to be used for any needed upgrades. Storage site options were discussed. Dave Lange moved and Jeff Markquart seconded a motion that the South Central Region assume one of the communications vehicles and become responsible for its maintenance provided the ECB approves. The motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

The next RAC meeting will be held on April 12, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

Jeff Markquart moved and Adam Gray seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.