

NORTH CENTRAL PLANNING EXERCISE & TRAINING MEETING

March 18, 2016

Region 26 EOC Meeting Room – Taylor, NE

Present: Alma Beland-Region 26, Doug Fox-Region 24, Mark Rempe-Custer County, Janell Walther-Public Policy Center, Linda Lewis-Region 26 and via phone conference; Deb Hilker-Holt County, John Jones-American Red Cross, Sally Breck & Angie Brown with West Central Public Health District.

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Alma Beland at 1:03pm.
2. There was no quorum to approve February 19, 2016 minutes.
3. SME (Subject Matter Expert) Report to date for Work Plan – Janelle Walther gave report that the Citizen Core, PET and NPSPC have all had their orientation and either have already met or will be meeting again soon.
 - a. PET SME – Each Region sent in projects that were reviewed, credentialing was a common request. Some Regions did not separate their project work plans, the SME personnel have asked for the Work Plans to be sent back to those regions and separate them out according to projects. The deadline to get the revised work plans turned is March 23rd. The projects would be compiled and sent to the SME's to rank. The rankings need to be completed by March 28th, which after that they will meet again and make final rankings to give to the IJ Workshop. The North Central Region does not have to re-submit their project.
 - b. The Communications SME has ranked NRIN as most important. It is understood that Code Red may not be funded anymore by grant dollars and that Alert Sense could possibly be the answer for the state to implement IPAWS. Paraclete is no longer a desired system.
 - c. The Law Enforcement SME's is to meet on Monday the 21st at noon.
4. IJ Workshop – April 14, 2016 in Kearney. We will meet again on April 11, 2016 at 11:30 for those that want to do lunch and then the meeting will start at 1:00pm. We will go over our own plans so those attending the IJ Workshop will have a good understanding at what the Region would like to “fight” for and what we would be willing to adjust. We may not have all the rankings of the SME's by this meeting, but our representatives can fill us in on where our projects stand in the rankings. The IJ workshop is an open meeting and anyone can go and fight for their projects. Janelle gave us a list of people that would be on the State Advisory Group and the Homeland Security Policy Group.
5. Alma reviewed the NCR Exercise Calendar. There are three areas that have not yet been fulfilled which would be the following, 1. Credentialing Exercise and Training, 2. Table Top Exercise – Doug is planning one. 3. Functional – Pete wants to do a Severe Winter Weather to include interstate issues as per our 2016 Calendar.
6. TICP updates – The RICC requested that TICP for each county be submitted by the next regular NCR PET Meeting on May 13th so it can be compiled and submitted to the state by June 1, 2016.
7. Code Red Review – Invoices need to be submitted and will get paid for this year. The Weather side is \$5,000. Jim Erickson is working on getting the alert side to Code Red all invoiced at the same time. However it doesn't look like we will get funding for Code Red after this year.

The training we had with Code Red was well received and comments were that it was a good training. The apps are very useable and will be happy with them.

NEMA is looking at Alert Sense to fulfill the IPAWS. The OCIO already has a contract with Alert Sense and that would allow them to use them without going out for bids. Sue Krogman had reported on this at the last meeting that this would be made available to the state at little or no cost. Alert Sense would not do the weather side of Code Red, only the alert side.

8. Meeting adjourned at 3:15PM. Next Work Plan meeting is April 11, 2016, 1:00pm at Region 26. Next regular meeting is May 13, 2016, 1:00pm at Region 26.

Submitted by
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