

Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network (NRIN) Board

December 14, 2016; 10:00 AM CDT; 9:00 AM MDT

Buffalo County EOC

1500 Central Ave.

Kearney, NE 68847

- I. Call to Order – Confirmation of Quorum** –10 of 14 Directors attending exceeds the 8 (majority) required for a quorum. Jon Rosenlund arrived at 10:11 AM CST.

PET Region	Director Name	Attendance
Panhandle	Nan Gould	X
	<i>Vacant</i>	
Southwest	Roger Powell	X
	<i>Vacant</i>	
North Central	Caleb Johnson	X
	Kevin Hood	
South Central	Chip Volcek	X
	Jon Rosenlund	
East Central	Shelly Holzerland	X
	Tim Hofbauer	X
Northeast	Brian Kesting	X
	Kevin Mackeprang	X
Southeast	Brad Eisenhauer	X
	Carla Jones	X
NEMA (Ex-Officio)	Sue Krogman	X
OCIO (Ex-Officio)	Tracy Rocolo	
NPPD (Ex-Officio)	Matt Schnell	
Tri-County (Ex-Officio)	Phil Brazelton	

Others in attendance: Alma Beland, John McKee, and Quinn Lewandowski

- A. Open Meetings Law information – verification of public notice, availability of copy of law in the meeting location - NEB. REV. STAT. §§ 84-1407 through 84-1414 (1999, Cum. Supp. 2006, Supp. 2007)**

Tim Hofbauer called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM Central Daylight Time and verified public notice and availability of copy of law in the meeting location – NEB. REV. STAT. §§ 84-1407 THROUGH 84-1414 (1999, Cum. Supp. 2006, Supp. 2007)

- B. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Shelly Holzerland made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from Oct. 31, 2016. Caleb Johnson seconded this motion; the motion passed by unanimous acclamation vote with no abstaining votes and no dissensions.

- **Yea:** Gould, Powell, Johnson, Hofbauer, Volcek, Holzerland, Kesting, Mackeprang, Eisenhauer, and Jones
- **Nay:** None
- **Abstentions:** None

C. Review of Agenda

The Board reviewed the agenda, and there were no proposed changes.

II. Subcommittee Meeting Reports

A. Finance

Keith County was recently approached by Century Link offering services similar to what NRIN would provide. The board will have to remain cognizant of companies and services similar to NRIN as the build out is being finished. There is some equipment sitting in a warehouse in the North Central region that is uninsured. The board found that explaining ownership of NRIN equipment in the outreach video that is going to be made may be valuable.

B. Technical

NACO is in the process of becoming the fiscal agent for NRIN. There is a need to sit down to discuss if in the beginning years of a maintenance and monitoring contract if the system can have just one engineer to look after the system (possibly centrally located in the state) while the system is still being built and finished.

C. Policy/Administration/Outreach

Several regions have set aside dollars to contribute to the NRIN outreach and education video. From the RFP process Pixel Bakery was chosen to make the video. Chip, Shelley, and Janell will be sitting down with Pixel Bakery to start the design process and work on a timeline for developing the video.

III. Updates and Discussion Items

A. Updates on NRIN Uses

1. Update on discussions with Nebraska State Patrol regarding use of NRIN for teletype

At the moment, the IT department of NSP does not want teletype on the NRIN system. Sue will be meeting with Jayne Scofield of the OCIO next week and they will hopefully discuss this.

2. Update on negotiations with NPPD on two proposals

Tim will talk to Matt and get an update on the two proposals from October.

3. Update on Hall County as text-to-911 pilot

Jon Rosenlund was not at the meeting to share this update on Hall County.

4. Nebraska Department of Roads use of NRIN update

Matt Baker of NDOR has been tasked to write a formal proposal to present to the board. Negotiations after the proposal is received would have to occur to help determine the cost.

B. Update on NRIN Build-Out

1. Update from NEMA

Sue has given Cornerstone a list of three priorities to focus on. Cornerstone currently working to fix the issue that has been preventing the East to West connection from being up and running. The state map really hasn't changed significantly since the Oct. 31st meeting. The KUSO tower is the final connection point for the East Central Region, and they are waiting on a rocker arm to finish that site. There is hope that the KUSO should be operational by Christmas 2016, Sue gave a presentation to the Ewing Board. The State's budget is getting cut, and they are working to get as many EHPs as possible done before the end of the year. EHP is an environmental study to make sure the equipment being placed and hung is going to be non-threatening to the environment. It usually takes two-five weeks to receive the results from an EHP. The IJ process is beginning for the PET regions, and Sue will be submitting a state request to finish the NRIN project.

2. Event to connect east to west – Sue Krogman

This event has been delayed due to issues in solving the connectivity problems between Hall and Buffalo County.

3. Panhandle

Currently struggling with getting all NRIN sites insured. Will need to submit a proposal in the IJ process to set money aside to replace NRIN equipment coming to their end of life dates.

4. Southwest

Sue and Roger working to meet with a local internet company to finish one hop and hope to have the fiber line operational soon to create some more redundancy.

5. North Central

Keith County renewed their NRIN agreement. Region 26 also updated their NRIN interlocal and are currently working on getting information on affordable towers in the region for the NRIN network.

6. South Central

Waiting on the results from two EHP studies.

7. Southeast

Had gone live with the NRIN link from Crete, but technical issues forced the system back on Windstream. The OCIO is working to configure routers to help the backup. The OCIO is going to switch and install the new configured routers to hopefully solve the problems that they experienced. Johnson County is currently struggling with connectivity, but would rather wait until NRIN is built out to them. The KUTT tower negotiations are hopefully almost complete.

8. East Central

Had a router out of memory error the other day. Howard County is requesting a mutual-aid base station. The region is looking to move some of its equipment from grain elevators in the near future.

9. Northeast

No new updates to share.

10. Tri-County

No new updates to share.

C. Other Updates and Discussions

1. Update on NACO as fiscal agent

Met with Larry Dicks and requested the NACO serve as the fiscal agent for the NRIN system. They accepted this request and will provide the legal services to get a tax ID and setup a checking account for NRIN. They will do an audit of the account every year.

2. OCIO SLA

There was no update or presentation relating to this item.

3. Follow up on Ceragon equipment buy-back and other issues

Ceragon representative needs the serial numbers of the equipment, Ceragon contact will have to get ahold of Sue. Tim will reach out and make sure he reaches out to Sue.

4. Other updates from region or state agencies

a. North Central

Custer County is hoping that NRIN will be coming along soon for their 911 system.

IV. Comments and adjourn

A. Next steps and agenda for next meeting

- a. Next meeting** – January 23rd at 10:00 AM CST in the Buffalo County EOC in Kearney, NE.

B. Member Comments

There were no additional member comments.

C. Public Comments

No public comments were made.

D. Adjourn

Tim Hofbauer adjourned the meeting at 12:35 PM CST