

Southeast Nebraska Emergency Management Group

<Southeast Regional Governance Board>

Minutes from regular board meeting held on July 29th, 2009

Lancaster County Emergency Operations Center in Lincoln, NE

Meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by Chair James Gerweck

Roll Call: Members present were James Gerweck, Gregg Goebel, William Cover, Michael Wilcox, Gary Petersen, Dan Jantzen and Doug Ahlberg.

Reception of visitors: Visitors present were John Ferrone, Lisa Bloss, Mark Hoskings, and Tom Hiser

Approval of agenda: Motion made by William C. and seconded by Greg G. to approve the agenda. All ayes.

Approval of minutes: None were presented for approval.

Correspondence: None

Planning Workshop: John Ferrone talked about the Target Capabilities List (TCL) Regional Workshop which were held in the Southwest, Panhandle and East Central Regions. The workshop is presented by Envisage from Kansas and last a full day with a focus on Target Capabilities using a TCL tool kit, questions and special interests groups in the afternoon. Assessment information gathered at this workshop is helpful in developing work plans. John suggested the SE Region schedule one with Cindy Newsham. James G. is going to contact Cindy W. and discuss possible dates to schedule a workshop. Doug A. is offering TEEX Target Capabilities and Assessment training (MGT 310), September 21st thru 23rd, 2009 at the Health Department in Lincoln.

Mark Meints and Shawn Weise were present at 10:17 am and Bob Cole at 10:25 am.

Reports/Discussion on Grants: James G. stated the Point to Point thru NCOR is moving forward and information can be seen on the CIO website;

http://www.cio.ne.gov/network_serv/wireless/homeland.html. Mardell Hergenrader has sent an email to Todd Beam in a effort to get information to the region on the schedule and progress on the PSIC grant. No one from the SE Region has received any reports from Todd B. and we are not anticipating an extension date for this grant. Discussion was held on if the funds could be reallocated if necessary. The Executive Board at a previous meeting had approved the drafting of a letter to Todd B.. James G. will develop this letter and request a work plan from Todd B. within ten days. James G. said the 2007 Grant projects are moving along. Some changes in funding had to be made with Mardell H. due to cost increases and some changes in equipment space requirements. He stressed again that grant recipients make sure they have enough slots in the console for communication equipment. Paraclete pros and cons was discussed.

IED Proposals: John Ferrone said that numerous entities are in need of funding with not enough money to go around. Bomb Squads created a forum at a meeting in Kearney to present ideas of what money should be used for, develop an approach on how to distribute funding and identify critical needs of each entity for the next year. The Lincoln Bomb squad listed a digital X-Ray and Robot as their critical needs. The SE Region would like more information on what other regions throughout the State are doing with their funds. John F. stated that the digital X-Ray is the #1 priority across the State. Doug A. made a motion for the SE Region to allocate funds for a digital X-Ray unit for an approximate cost of \$27,000 to the Lincoln Bureau of Fire Prevention and allocate the remainder of 08 IED funding based on the results of the July 30th, 2009 IED/LE meeting in Kearney. Seconded by Mark M.. All Ayes.

John Ferrone requested one or two representatives from the SE Region to help develop the next Planning Academy. Dan Hiller will set up a conference call in August to define the purpose and goal of the Academy. Doug A. and Gary P. will assist with this project.

Fusion Center: John Ferrone toured the fusion center and was impressed. James G. said we need more detailed plans on the fusion center and how the money would be used.

PET: Doug A. is still raising funds to bring the Hazmat IQ training to the Region. Priority to attend will be given to the entities that assist in funding the event. Maximum is 33 participants. Doug A. is rescheduling the PIO training and has had interest in training for Water Treatment entities. Mark M. discussed bringing the All Hazards School training to the Region. Lisa B. and William C. stressed the need to plan for a mass vaccination this fall. Lisa B. and Mark H. will identify possible needs and training for H1N1 and Mass Casualty and discuss them with Doug A.. James G. stated that there will be earthquake planning in the future.

Hazmat: Mark M. asked those present for training ideas. Greg G and others have completed informal Decon training. Mark M. said that 2007 grant funds were allocated to go to an AVL system for all the Hazmat units. He also asked if a satellite phone would be a possibility due to loss of cell phone coverage at times.

Communications: Meeting was held last month. Request was made to Johnson County to commit funds to assist with projects. All projects seem to be progressing. NCOR and NWIN will meet Friday July 31st, 2009 at 10 am and 1 pm respectfully. Doug A. gave prices on COW; 80' mast with 10 KW generator was \$80,000 and a 100' mast with 10 KW generator was \$100,000. These newer ones have a hydraulic mast. Additional misc. equipment would be approximately \$76,000. James G. said we currently have \$67,000 of 2007 funds available.

Doug A. was once again requesting resource lists which he will send out again. He previously sent them on 4/23/07, 6/19/07 and 11/17/08. Please return the information on deployable "Emergency Management" resources to Doug A.. Doug A., William C. and Shawn W. will work on a mutual aid agreement for sharing of deployable equipment/resources for the region.

Public Comment:

Shawn W.: Sent email out on PET Calendar. Get info to him if you have something to add.

Bob C.: Bob will host a Psychological First Aid training in September through Region V.

Mark H.: Pan Flu public awareness on August 8th, 2009

Lisa B.: Two immunization shots will be required for H1N1 flu and one shot for the regular flu which can be given at the same time as the first H1N1 shot. The H1N1 shots need to be given 30 days apart.

William C.: Discussed the progress on receiving approval for additional employee for his office.

Greg G: Asked everyone to check their email address for him. It should be otoeema@windstream.net

Mark M.: Mark will have his mass casualty trailer and gator in Wilbur for their celebration assist BJ who is recovering from health related issues.

Next meeting will be held on August 20th, 2009, 10 AM at the Cass County EMA office.

Motion by Mark M. and seconded by William Cover to adjourn. All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 12:33 PM.