

**Southeast Nebraska Emergency Management Group**  
**Regional Governance Board**  
**MINUTES — Regular Meeting**  
**Aug. 8, 2012 — 10 a.m.**  
**Gage County EOC, Beatrice, Nebraska**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Doug Ahlberg called the regular meeting of the Southeast Regional Emergency Management Governance Board to order at 10:02 a.m. on Aug. 8, 2012 at the Gage County Emergency Operations Center, Beatrice, Nebraska. The meeting was held in compliance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act and a copy of the Act was available for inspection in the meeting room.

Present were board members Michael Wilcox (Pawnee County), Clint Strayhorn (Johnson County), Bill McPherson (Thayer County), John McKee (Jefferson County), Mark Meints (Gage County), Clint Strayhorn (Johnson County), Gregg Goebel (Otoe County), Sandy Weyers (Cass County), Donna Mainwaring (Fillmore County), Doug Ahlberg (Lancaster County), Renee Critser (Nemaha County), Jim Gerweck (Richardson County), and BJ Fictum (Saline County).

Guests present were Steve Cody (Otoe County), John Cutler (SEMRS), Mark DeKraai (UNL Public Policy Center) and Brian Daake (Beatrice Fire Department).

**2. Introduction and Reception of Visitors**

Ahlberg welcomed the visitors and introductions were made.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Otoe, seconded by Thayer, to approve the agenda. Voting aye were Thayer, Gage, Pawnee, Jefferson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Richardson, Johnson, Cass, Saline, Seward/York, Fillmore & Otoe; nays, none; motion carried.

**4. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Gage, seconded by Johnson, to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2012 meeting. Voting aye were Nemaha, Richardson, Thayer, Pawnee, Jefferson, Lancaster, Johnson, Cass, Saline, Seward/York, Fillmore & Otoe; nays, none; abstaining, Gage; motion carried 10-0-1.

**5. Pictometry Presentation**

Doug Tonnemacher, district manager with Pictometry Inc., Johnson, Iowa, gave a presentation to the board on the Pictometry aerial imagery and mapping products available. John McKee, Jefferson County, noted that they are very pleased with the Pictometry system since installing it during the past year.

**6. Financial Report**

Doug Ahlberg handed out the financial summary of grants, expenditures and DHS funding received and expended by the region. The FY2010 DHS IED/LE grant included the following:

- IED/Law Enforcement/Fusion Center: \$141,473
  - MOU to NEMAS as of Sept. 19, 2011: \$94,315
  - Balance: \$47,158
  - Funding approved for robot upgrade June 2012: \$15,470
  - Balance as of July 25, 2012: \$31,688
  - Funding requested for EOD Hook and Line Kit: \$6,900

- Balance as of July 26, 2012: \$24,788

Ahlberg also passed out the FY2009 Grant Adjustment Notice signed by Lancaster County and answered questions about the PET funding from the 2010 grant.

- PET Funds: \$52,000
  - Reallocated to Communications: \$32,000
  - Balance: \$20,000
  - Funding 2012 ATAP Conference (through Public Policy Center): \$6,800
  - Balance as of July 25, 2012: \$13,200

## 9. Updated FY2010 Work Plan

BJ Fictum presented the updated FY2010 Work Plan for board approval. Discussion was held on the updated changes, which will be submitted to NEMA after plan approval, based upon the figures listed above provided by Ahlberg. A motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Johnson, to approve the updated work plan. Voting aye were Jefferson, Cass, Saline, Lancaster, Nemaha, Gage, Richardson, Thayer, Pawnee, Johnson, Seward/York, Fillmore & Otoe; nays, none; motion carried.

## 10. Purchase of Additional Light Trailers

Discussion was held on purchasing enough light trailers to provide for the remaining three counties (Johnson, Pawnee and Gage) that did not have trailer requests funded in FY09 due to shortage of funding. A motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Jefferson, to purchase three light trailers from Allmand Bros. for \$9,366.25 each. Voting aye were Thayer, Pawnee, Johnson, Jefferson, Cass, Saline, Lancaster, Nemaha, Gage, Richardson, Seward/York, Fillmore & Otoe; nays, none; motion carried.

## 11. Committee/Board Reports

- **Executive Committee** — Ahlberg reported on the NEMA FY2008 monitoring visit conducted by Julie Mayer of NEMA and provided the board with copies of her satisfactory report.
- **Communications** — Fictum reported on the progress of the Southeast Region Mutual Aid Project. He said final installation of the bridges between the base radios and the consoles should be completed within the next few months with help from the OCIO and First Wireless. The State Radio System Interface Project is moving slowly and is awaiting the codeplugs from the OCIO technicians to be programmed into the consolettes before console testing can begin.
- Gerweck reported that Mark Higgins will be attending the next Communications Committee meeting with information on MOUs and tower leases which will need to be completed before towers in the region can be utilized for the NRIN regional microwave system. He said the process is not easy; other regions have taken months to get all the required MOUs in place so we need to start asking for formal permission in the near future. Discussion was held on getting a copy of another region's MOU and lease templates. NCOR is also moving slowly and there is a concept of merging NCOR and NWIN into one board, but the makeup of that group is still uncertain.
- **PET** — Ahlberg passed out the list of training events for the SE Region, including Enhanced Risk Assessment, Oct. 16-17 in Lincoln, EOC Operations course, Oct. 9-11, Lincoln; and Wide Area Search, Nov. 5-7, Lancaster Event Center, Lincoln. He urged all to sign up early.

- **SEMRS** — John Cutler presented the group with the After Action Report & Improvement Plan from the 2012 SEMRS functional exercise.
- **State Projects Update** — Mark DeKraai, Public Policy Center, gave an update on Public Policy Center activities and programs. He noted that Paraclete workshops are still needed in several regions, including the Southeast. The state THIRA and risk assessment workshops are set for Oct. 16 and 17 in Lincoln with the TEPW (Training, Exercise and Planning Workshop) on Oct. 18. Each region is to send at least two representatives to each workshop.

## **12. Interlocal Agreement**

Board members were reminded of the need to get the new Interlocal Agreement continuing the regional organization signed by their commissioners/supervisors as soon as possible. Photocopies of the signature pages are to be directed to the secretary, who will put together the complete document and send to each county.

## **13. Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Sept. 12, 2012 in Johnson County beginning at 10 a.m. at the Johnson County EOC.

## **14. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Jefferson, seconded by Thayer, to adjourn the meeting at 11:47 a.m. Voting aye were Thayer, Gage, Pawnee, Jefferson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Richardson, Johnson, Cass, Saline, Seward/York, Fillmore & Otoe; nays, none; motion carried.



B.J. Fictum, Secretary