

Statewide 9-1-1 Advisory Board

Open Meeting
February 6, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

The Board met pursuant to notice, at 10:00 A.M. at the Illinois Emergency Management Agency 2200 S. Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL, and via WebEx.

Board Members physically present:

Ralph Caldwell
Laura Daley
John Ferraro
Philip McCarty
Sam McClerren
Randy Nehrt
Deno Perdiou
Tammy Peterson
Deb Prather
Chief Carla Redd
Col. Kelly Walter

Board Members present by phone/WebEx:

Chief Demond Dade
Debra Piscola
Delores Temes
Linda Zerwin

Board Members not present:

Sen. Neil Anderson
Sen. Bill Cunningham
Rep. Mike Marron
Chris Kindelspire

The Chairman opened the meeting at 10:00 A.M., roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

1) Approval of the January 23, 2023, Open Meeting Minutes

On John Ferraro's motion and Tammy Peterson's second, the January 23, 2023, meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

2) Legislative Update

- Update on bills filed: SB326 (ETSA bill) was filed and is currently in the Senate.
- Discussion of Telecommunicator Classification - John Ferraro and Ralph Caldwell suggested that telecommunicator classification be included in the definition of a telecommunicator in the ETSA rewrite. The goal is to give telecommunicators official, all-inclusive classification as a First Responder. The long-term goal is the title and recognition of the title. This is not aimed at changing pension, benefits, or workers comp.
- Annual Report - The Chairman reviewed the updates to the executive summary, consolidation grants, NG911, training and certification, federal 911 grant funding, surcharge distribution, appendices. The annual report is due to legislature on March 4, 2023. All comments on the annual report are due back to the Chairman by February 15, 2023.

3) Financial Update

- Surcharge discussion - The Board members discussed if it's possible to collect surcharge on devices not currently being assessed a surcharge as some devices do not have an account tied to the device that can be billed. This topic will continue to be discussed at future Board meetings.
- The expenditure report which contains the month to date and year to date expenditures on the same page will be used going forward.
- AFR status: 71 AFRs have been submitted, 42 are in progress, 17 haven't entered any data or are in various stages - 12 have registered their accounts, 5 have not.
- The AFR due date will be extended to February 15, 2023.

4) Administrator's Update

Draft Allowable Expenses Chart – the document was reviewed and explained by the Administrator. This document will be discussed further at the February 27, 2023, Board meeting.

NG911

- Transition to the ESInet
 - The Oak Forest PSAP was transitioned on 1/17.
 - 100 PSAPs remain to be transitioned.

NG911 – Text-to-911

- Bid responses were received from AT&T and Comtech dba NextGen Communications, Inc. Approval of awards are in progress. Once approved the awards will be posted for 14 days.

NG911 - GIS

- GIS resources have been notified that a new version of the Workflow Tool, 4.1.5, is available.
- 911 Systems are continuing to ready their NG911 GIS data in advance of their scheduled ORTs.

FY23 Grants (Consolidation and NG911 Expenses)

- A Technical Assistance session that provided instructions for submitting reimbursement requests was held on February 2nd.

FY24 Grants (Consolidation and NG911 Expenses)

- 3 Consolidation Grant Applications requesting \$10,038,700 were received. \$5M is available.
- 24 NG911 Expenses Grant Applications requesting \$3,101,773 were received. \$8M is available.

Training Certification

- Meeting with a DoIT resource to discuss the scope of the project this week.

CESSA

- The Protocol/Standards Committee is continuing to work on a draft risk matrix for making dispatch decisions.
- All Regional Committees except 11 have met. Region 11 is scheduled to meet on February 20th at 1 PM.
- The Statewide Advisory Committee is meeting today at 11.
- The 2023 Meeting calendar is available on the IDHS Open Meetings Page. Meeting Agenda and Link is available several days before scheduled meetings.
<https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=147440>

5) Old Business

- None

6) New Business

- A continuation of this Board meeting will be held via WebEx on February 17, 2023, at 10:00 to discuss the Annual Report. All comments are due by February 15, 2023.
- Crowe LLC – Assistant Deputy Director, Michael Yokley presented 2 main components that Crowe LLC is reviewing for the ISP Division of 9-1-1. The two components are analysis of 2017-2022 authority financial information and allocation of 911 surcharges. Crowe LLC intends to present its findings to ISP in May 2023.
- Due to Covid 19 restrictions being lifted, all future meetings after the March meeting, will be held in person at the IEMA building in Springfield, IL.

7) Public Comment

- Steve Rauter suggested the WebEx 911 Advisory Board meeting recordings be posted on the ISP/911 website, inquired about public input on Crowe's scope of work, stated that surcharge should support the dispatch centers and suggested that Illinois use the FCC term "ECC" instead of "PSAP".

8) Continuation of Meeting

- On a motion by Ralph Caldwell, and a second by Chief Carla Redd, the meeting was recessed at 11:24 a.m. until 02/17/2023 at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote by the Board.