



STATE INTEROPERABILITY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL QUARTERLY MEETING

May 14th, 2024

1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Virtual

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1. Call to Order – Bob Cozzie 1:31 PM

- Chair Cozzie called the meeting to order at 1:31 PM

2. Updates & Announcements – Bob Cozzie 1:31 PM

- Announcements
 - *New Members*
 - *Forrest Chambers, OSFM*
 - *New Interoperability Staff*
 - *Jeff Perkins, PSCS*
- Roll Call & Quorum Verification –Support Staff
 - Following roll call, quorum was verified by Jazmine Cordle.
- Review Council Agenda – Bob Cozzie

3. Council Minutes Approval – Bob Cozzie 1:35 PM

- Council Action: Minutes from February Meeting
 - John Hartsock motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes. Roger Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

• Council Action List – SIEC Membership 1:40 PM (*indicates potential Council action)

- **New Business**
 - ODEM IAA on the Statewide Interoperability Program
 - William Chapman and the Statewide Interoperability team have moved over to ODEM under Patence Winningham as of May 1st, 2024. Patence is looking forward to learning more about what capabilities the SWI team can bring to ODEM. Patence also stated that the OERS calltaker capability that is currently at Oregon State Police is in transition and will be moving over to ODEM as of July 1,2025.
 - Patence Winningham made a request for the incoming chair to submit a formal request to the Ethics Commission regarding her supervision of the SWIC and being a member of the council and if there might be a conflict.



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- Tony Debone and William Chapman will work together to draft that request and submit on behalf of the SIEC.
 - Vice Chair Position*
 - Nominee: Michael Harman, elected via acclamation
 - Michael Harman is the next Vice Chair and Bob Cozzie congratulated and welcomed him to the position during the meeting.
 - **Old Business**
 - Ongoing SCIP Update
 - William Chapman showed the SIEC members a draft of what the SCIP update is looking like and walked through the document to give an overview. The document has been moved to the Strategic Planning Committee and is expected to be on the agenda for full SIEC approval at the August Meeting.
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4. Committee Reports – Committee Chairs 2:00 PM

- **Executive Committee – Bob Cozzie**
 - *Committee Participation*
 - Bob requested that we get more SIEC members participation on SIEC Committees. He encouraged SIEC members and non-SIEC members alike to participate and offer their expertise in the various committees.
 - *August SIEC Meeting – August 13th (In-Person)*
 - Working to schedule DPSST as the venue. William will send out information.
- **Strategic Planning Committee – John Hartsock**
 - *NG-911 Working Group Update – Bob Cozzie*
 - *05/06/24 Meeting Recap*
 - Last meeting occurred on May 6th. The working group is reviewing the NG- 911 business case. Discussing costs, pros and cons, and alternatives to achieving NG-911 in Oregon. Current estimate for NG-911 completion in Oregon could be as early as the end of 2025 and as late as the third quarter of 2027. The next steering committee is June 3rd.
 - *Charter Updates*
 - *COMUWG*
 - John Hartsock gives a brief update that the COMU working group has recently met and is working on their charter.
 - *2023/24 SCIP Update -William Chapman*
 - William Chapman stated they were hoping to get the SCIP update out ahead of this meeting with enough time for everybody to review it and vote on, unfortunately it was delayed from the



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contractor. They did receive a draft back and John Hartsock and William will be collaborating and scheduling a meeting with Strategic Planning Committee to review. William stated they hope to have it before the August meeting to receives SIEC approval.

- *Next Meeting: TBD*

- **Broadband Committee – Ben Gherezgiher**

- *SPOC Report – Ben Gherezgiher*

- Reviewed the FirstNet national adoption numbers. Generally increasing. Ben focused on what is approved in terms of the next cycle of funding recently approved by the FirstNet authority. The investment will be used to build additional infrastructure and services. FirstNet Authority approved a 10-year investment of \$8 billion to transform America’s public safety network.

- *Committee Updates*

- Ben Gherezgiher and William Chapman both gave updates regarding the Broadband Committee. Charter has been submitted and committee is reviewing it. Last meeting, Statewide Interoperability also presented the framework for mission critical push to talk talkgroup naming for carrier integrated push to talk solutions.

- *Next Meeting: TBD*

- **Technical Committee – Rick Iverson & Aaron Fox**

- *Meeting Report*

- Rick Iverson stated they had their meeting April 19th. Rick stated they are reviewing the SCIP draft. Rick stated they will ask the council members to provide help with providing prioritization on which items should go first and would like those to be based on the organizations that you represent.

- *TIC-FOG Updates – William Chapman*

- William Chapman stated they have done a couple iterations with the contractor and the data that they got was just not quite what they were hoping for, so they asked for another review of it. A new contractor has been assigned as is in the process of reviewing the data. There is a meeting tomorrow to review and hope to get it back on track.

- *MCPTT White Paper Updates – ongoing.*

- *Next Meeting: June 6th, 2024 (Special Meeting re: Tillamook System)*

- **Partnership Committee – Dianne Majors & Tony DeBone**

- *Meeting Report*

- *Committee Leadership*

- Dianne Majors stated that Tony DeBone will be vacating the vice chair position as he transitions into the chair position for the council. Dianne stated that with Tony’s departure the Partnership Committee is going to be looking for a vice chair. If interested, please reach out to Dianne Majors or William Chapman.

- *Newsletter*

- Tony DeBone stated that they published 2 newsletters from the SIEC, and a 3rd is on its way. Tony



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stated they are always looking for content. If you have any interesting ideas regarding interoperability such as communications, incident management technology, etc., please hand it over to the committee to be able to create an article.

- *APCO Western Regional Conference will be coming to Portland on March 3rd-6th 2025. Call for papers is currently open!*
- *SIEC Website Update*
- SIEC websites was completed underneath the EIS banner about a month ago. Now, SIEC is going to start a new project to bring it under ODEM's banner. This will probably take a couple months to have completed. Any feedback you can give to SIEC on the current site is still much appreciated.
- *Next Meeting: May 30th, 2024*

5. SWIC Report – William Chapman 2:35 PM

- 4.9 GHz Band Letter
 - William provided information regarding a letter he will be sending to the FCC advocating that the 4.9GHz remain in the hands of public safety and be managed by a public safety band manager.
- Technical Assistance Request Report – See attached report.
- SIEC Membership Vacancies and Upcoming Term Expirations
- William Chapman showed the spreadsheet of membership vacancies and upcoming term expirations. Five state agency appointees are expiring. Two are not planning on reapplying and he will be working with those state agencies to identify new members to take those two spots for the council. Marlene, Joe, and Ben need to let William know if you would like to continue to be on the council.
- CISA Updates – CISA Staff
- Bruce Richter commented on the G5 solar storm that hit over the weekend. Fortunately, neither the electric grid or radio systems had significant impacts. However, planting was delayed in the Midwest for farmers that were utilizing GPS controlled farming equipment. Overall, communications and electric grid were more robust than we anticipated for this once in a 20-year event.

6. Regional Interoperability Committee Reports 2:55 PM

- WORJIC Report – William Chapman
 - Provided an overview of the WORJIC. WORJIC is not only looking at interoperability from a radio perspective, but much like the SIEC the WORJIC is looking at 911 interstate capabilities, broadband interoperability, strategic planning, etc. Recently held their in-person meeting. New leadership was elected. Chair is now Jay Atwood, Director of Benton County (Washington) Emergency Services . Vice Chair is Sherridan McClain, Emergency Manager of Wasco County. Secretary is Sage Delong, Emergency Manager of Umatilla County.

7. Round Table (SIEC Member Reports, questions, public testimony) 3:05 PM

Darren Bucich- discussed the need for critical infrastructure mapping to better inform fuels reduction projects.



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Forrest Chambers- Brief introduction. New committee member. Happy to be here and happy to partner with everybody.

Tony DeBone- Pre-fire season meeting regarding wildfire smore recently held in Central Oregon. Tri-county effort. OSFM, Federal Fire, OHA, Red Cross, and others represented.

Ben Gherezgiher- EPA working hoping assess water districts in Oregon. There are over 3,000 over different sizes. Trying to help the top 100 resources on cyber resiliency, awareness, education, and mitigation of their cyber risks.

Mike Harman- Echo's Darren Buchich's comments about increasing reliance on private infrastructure, including fiber and LTE. No regulation or requirements cover broadband connectivity. Really needs to be considered a critical service. Until they can become more sustainable during a disaster, we can't fully embrace/rely on them. They're too fragile.

John Lively- Learned a valuable lesson in Springfield during the ice storm and the inability to communicate with our constituents. They feel we are unprepared. There is work to be done. Will be meeting with utility soon. Wildfires also underscore this issue. John be chair of the committee that hopes to address wildfire funding issues during the 2025 session.

David Rudawitz- Regarding the fiber issue, David assisted with ESF-2 response to the Golden Fire when they had the fiber burned in Lake County. There's an issue when someone leases space on fiber but doesn't know where the fiber runs. This is an issue. He has seen a map from Portland that showed this kind of information, but it may have been from a private company. How do we get it? How do we protect it?

Patence Winningham, - Also commented on fiber issue. Asking questions about how we protect infrastructure. We're doing a good job with mitigation dollars for power and undergrounding wire, but how do we do the same for communications? How do we do fuels mitigation projects? When she was with Lane County, they worked hard on a vulnerability assessment of infrastructure using a contractor to identify projects that could leverage grant dollars. How do we do the same for private infrastructure. Highlighted that the RRAP is nearing completion, and this may also highlight projects that could be eligible. Working to learn about BRIC and how it might also assist with mitigating risk to Communications. ODEM is getting ready for wildfire season. Just hosted season kick off. FEMA IMAT team is on scene from the Winter Storm and establishing Joint Field Office (JFO). Working on building relationships with this team and learning their role. Also holding wildfire response exercise internally in the next several weeks. Leaning forward on Elections and preparing for November. IRON-OR also coming up in October which will prepare us for Election Day.

8. SIEC Chair Transition – SIEC Leadership 3:20

- Bob Cozzie hands Tony DeBone the gavel and leadership of the SIEC passes to Tony DeBone as the new Chair of the SIEC. Bob Cozzie will now serve as the Past Chair.

9. Adjourn – 3:25



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MEETING MATERIALS – The meeting will begin at 1:30 PM and is planned to proceed chronologically through the agenda. For agenda and meeting materials please visit <https://www.oregon.gov/eis/siec/Pages/about.aspx>

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