

IL-IMT and Advisory Meeting Notes (lack of a quorum)

October 23-24, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Steve Clarkson on Wednesday October 23, 2013 at 9:27 AM at the MABAS Readiness Center in Wheeling with seven advisory committee members present (we lacked a quorum).

The minutes of the August meeting were reviewed with no changes. Formal approval was not possible due to lack of a quorum.

Co-Chair Report- under membership, Ralph Caldwell (METCAD) will be added to the Advisory Committee. Tom Lovejoy has resigned due to his need to devote more of his time to MABAS. Mary Connelly asked for clarification regarding a comment made by Tom in the August minutes (Steve Clarkson provided clarification) regarding delays in reimbursement. Eric Hodges advised that the State of Illinois ultimately paid our team members their reimbursement, prior to the State of New York reimbursing the amount contained within the EMAC. Katrina reimbursements took 8-9 months as well. The need for pre-deployment packages was discussed with regard to EMAC and reimbursements.

Finance Report

2011 grant- closes 12/31/13. IMT Position Specific and Field Training balance \$1,262.93. IMT Planning Meetings balance \$2,355.24. IMT Equipment balance \$517.62.

2012 grant- closes 3/31/14. Quarterly meeting balance \$20,813.90. AHIMT Conference balance \$3,500.00. IAP Development-IFSI balance \$3,000.00. Air Card balance \$9,481.50.

2013 grant- closes 3/31/15. Quarterly Team Meetings balance \$9,000.00. Position Specific Training balance \$12,000.00.

AHIMT update- Bob Elliott, the conference is November 19-21, 2013 in Charleston, S.C. Dan Ellis is going (funding by City of Chicago), Paul Rausch (IEMA CERK Manager) is going at the expense of IEMA, Joe Jones, Keith Frank, Ralph Webster, and Bob Elliott will attend as IMT members.

Missouri IMT- Keith Frank and Mark Bridges attended a meeting with the Missouri and St. Louis area IMT's.

IMERT- Mary Connelly spoke to working on understanding the ICS structure with IMERT. Specifically how they (IMERT) relate to Vision20/20 objectives, including communications.

Team Communications- Bob Elliott has agreed to serving 18-months as co-chair with Steve Clarkson, this will help Steve as he has some prior commitments over the next 12 months requiring his time.

The Co-chairs and IC's will make an extra effort to contact all members of the Advisory Committee in advance of the next meeting. A discussion will also take place with the Advisory Committee to see if some of these seats can be made informational (non-voting) only.

Membership review- seven names of non-participating team members along with four resignations are being removed from the roster and forwarded to the IEMA Operations Chief per MOU.

Provisional applications have been received from William Cronch, Domingo Kaller, Steve Schultz (sp.), and Earl Herman.

Logistics- Eric Hodges, our new Logistics Section Chief, discussed the current status of our six mobile networks. We currently pay \$228.06/mo. for Verizon, and \$404.84/mo. for Sprint. Because Adams County is not serviced by Verizon, the network kit hosted by John Simon will continue to hold a Sprint card. The other five cards for sprint will be deactivated. Two of our six networks are unassigned currently. Eric will be reviewing the status of our systems (they are getting old). Two kits may be placed in our IMT Trailer at ILEAS. Currently four kits are located in DeKalb, Quincy, Bloomington, and Champaign.

Star-Com radios are having a second touch completed, and Eric is currently working to get two missing radios returned. In the future all radios may be cached at ILEAS, or possibly another yet to be determined site.

Inventory- in the past years only our trailer has been consistently inventoried. Work is under way to determine who has what and when did they get it.

New positions within Logistics- Eric would like to identify at least a COML position, to manage the radio cache, develop 205's, and handle tactical incident communications. Two Technical Specialists are needed to manage the mobile networks, begin design of the second generation networks, and provide on-site IT support at deployments and events.

IMERT- Mary Connelly spoke about a multi-agency drill in the Metropolis area that includes a re-enactment with over 200,000 participants and supported by a six-bed emergency room. IMERT attempts to get around the state for other similar events. Recently the Feds and the National Weather Service have partnered with IMERT. Mary specifically discussed the ability of the NWS to provide very specific weather information at specific time periods.

IMERT must operate under the HICS (ICS system) and they need the support of others when working large-scale incidents.

Advisory Committee Meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.

Team Meeting of the Whole

The meeting opened at 1:05 pm by Co-Chair Steve Clarkson with a presentation to IC Tom Lovejoy for his years of service to the IL-IMT.

Ed St. Louis (FASC) gave funding updates (see Advisory Committee Minutes).

Membership updates were provided to those present, and following this informative session the team prepared for a presentation by the Oklahoma IMT.

Dennis Beyer and Troy German were introduced as members of the Oklahoma IMT. They gave a very informative presentation on the Moore Oklahoma Tornado earlier this year.

Other information shared included-

Tim Jones will take pictures to make new ID cards for team members.

Gary Hanebrink spoke to what is needed for education requirements for team membership. EMI online classes can be used for the personal development component. Exercises are NIMS classes and actual exercises, we must participate in 3 annually.

Matt Bryan will be resending the Policy Manual to ALL team members.

Steve Clarkson talked to Trent, Michelle Hannigan and Bob Elliott. How do we activate the team without a state declaration? When a local entity requests IMT, are we willing to respond without compensation/reimbursement? Past potential uses for the IMT were discussed. If one of the 98 counties or 23 municipalities who are accredited through IEMA is able to swear in the members of the team for liability and worker's comp coverage.

Chairs will ask IEMA to send a letter to all of the EMA County/Municipal Coordinators telling them how to request us, and letting them know what we bring to the table.

Training on State-Level exercise for Feb. 26 and 27 at IFSI. Discussion ensued. Volunteers were noted.

MABAS' Jay Reardon spoke to the group. He spoke about the \$10 license plate fee to support mutual aid organizations in the state of Illinois.