

Nebraska State Emergency Communications Committee

June 9th, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Conference Call
1:00 PM CST

| Common Acronyms | |
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| CAP | Common Alerting Protocol |
| COG | Collaborative Operating Group |
| EAN | Emergency Alert Notification |
| EAS | Emergency Alert System |
| FCC | Federal Communications Commission |
| FEMA | Federal Emergency Management Agency |
| FIPS | Federal Information Processing Standard |
| IPAWS | Integrated Public Alert & Warning System |
| LECC | Local Emergency Communications Committee |
| NEMA | Nebraska Emergency Management Agency |
| NOAA | National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration |
| NWS | National Weather Service |
| SECC | State Emergency Communications Committee |
| SP/SR | State Primary / State Relay Network |
| WEA | Wireless Emergency Alerts |

Item 1. Call to Order - Rod Zeigler called the meeting to order at 1:06 PM.

| Member Name | Organization | Representing |
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| Jim Skinner* | KPTM/KXVO | Broadcast Television |
| Jim Timm | Nebraska Broadcast Association | Radio/Television |
| Rod Zeigler, Chair | Rural Radio Network / KRVN | Broadcast Radio |
| Troy Harris | NEMA | Emergency Management |
| Jeromy McCoy | Nebraska State Patrol | State Patrol |

**arrived at 1:20 pm, post quorum.*

Members not in attendance: Al Krause (NET), Bryan Smith (NOAA), Ray Richards (NPSCC), Paul Johnson (Emergency Management)

Nonmember Attendees: Dave Klein, KVNO; Addison Fairchild, Public Policy Center

Item 2. Approval of March 10, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Rod Zeigler postponed the approval of the minutes to the next meeting as there was no quorum.

Item 3 Approval of adding KVNO to SR list on website

Rod Zeigler postponed the approval of the website change to the next meeting as there was no quorum.

Item 4 Discussion of KVNO technical operation

- KYNE Tower on the UNO campus is slated to be removed by the end of this year to make way for other campus expansion. KYNE is moving their transmission facilities to Crownpoint site on the KETV tower. There has been a lot of work done to move the equipment into our space in

here by NET engineers and as a result there has been numerous instances of down time of some of the feeds going between us and NET radio. During the outages that occurred, we missed receiving two required weekly tests and most recently the May 17 required monthly test was not received by us in Omaha due to the work being done. It was suggested that a local monitoring back up does not pose any issue.

Item 5 Discussion of Old Business

- Nebraska Association of Broadcasters comments on the EAS guidance from the FCC
 - Comments on a document that are going to be sent to the commission and will be signed by all 50 state broadcast associations. These comments reflect feedback from all 50 states on ways to strengthen the proposed rule-making. The FCC is proposing sweeping changes with more responsibility on the SECC, including road signage, for example. One key feedback area is that it is important to define the function of SECCs. The current Nebraska EAS plan is pending; the FCC is likely to put the state plans into a template. However, there were a handful of states that said a month ago that their plan received FCC approval. Once the FCC makes a final decision on their proposed changes we will have a formal, in person, meeting to discuss those changes and what they mean to the SECC and EAS from that point on.

Item 6 Discussion of New Business

- The Nebraska Broadcasters Association convention is on August 16th and 17th with the SBE engineering sessions on the 17th.

Item 7 Scheduling of Next Meeting

- The next meeting is scheduled for September 8, 2016, 1:00 PM, and will be available via conference call.

Item 8 Adjournment

- Chairman Rod Zeigler adjourned the meeting at 1:24 PM.