



***Public Safety Communications Users Meeting***  
**April 5, 2022**  
**Meeting Summary**

**Agencies Present:**

Tony Avery, Platte County Sheriff's Office/EM  
Jim Bagley, North Kansas City Police Department  
Scott Boden, Johnson County  
Beth Buffington, North Kansas City Police Department  
Jerry Clark, Liberty Police Department  
Lionel Colon, Kansas City Missouri Police Department  
Greg Damron, Leawood Police Department  
Kim Davis, Ray County Police Department  
Jeremy Duke, Kansas City Missouri Fire Department  
Travis Meats, Shawnee Police Department  
Kate Neal-Dorsey, Johnson County Emergency Communications Center  
Kevin Friend, Lynn County Sheriff's Office  
Steve Hoskins, Kansas City Missouri Police Department  
Kim Pruett, Atchison County Communications Center  
Adrienne Rinehart, Raymore Police Department  
Connie Valentich, Cass County Sheriff's Office  
Ivan Washington, Prairie Village Police Department  
Rachael Wheeler, Platte County Sheriff's Office  
Mark Whelan, Miami County Sheriff's Office

**MARC Staff:** Chris Allen Hunter, Hassan Al-Rubaie, Mike Daniels, Saralyn Hayes, Pam Opoka, Nikki Thomas, Jason White and Eric Winebrenner

**1. Call to Order and Introductions**

Scott Boden called the meeting to order.

**2. Approval of January 25, 2022 meeting summary**

*A motion was made by Jim Bagley to approve the January 25 summary. It was seconded by Mark Whelan. The motion passed with no opposition.*

**3. 911 Legislative Update - Eric Winebrenner/Jason White**

Federal

- Nothing has moved. Still has 911 funding and reclassification of telecommunicators in committee.

State – Jason White

- Redefining of telecommunicators is headed to the Senate.
- EMD legislation moving under the oversight of the 911 Service Board is moving to the House.
- AED registration - Missouri is working on Pulse Point for alerts and looking to sign an agreement with them for AED registration.

Local

**4. Missouri 911 Service Board Report – Jason White**

- 911 spoke to ????? and State 911 coordinating group attorneys about moving 911 bills.
- Grant cycle process will be late Spring or early Summer.
- Work is almost done with the counties that did not have 911. Those interested should be sending in grant requests for PSAP collaborations.

- The Board's has a budget of \$8 million to work on GIS. The State has \$30 million to work on the ariel flyovers that are already being done. These will be used to attach and link as state-wide network.
- The NG911 planning committee will be meeting tomorrow to work on planning; Hassan Al-Rubaie will be there to assist with the technical side.
- The 988 suicide prevention has been added to another bill at \$10 million per year.
- Emergency Responders **HB3425** **?????** is in committee.

**5. Kansas 911 Coordinating Board – Mike Daniels**

- 988 implementation plan is done.
- Meeting next week.

**6. 988 Mental Health Call Discussion – Eric Winebrenner/Mike Daniels**

Missouri Group

- Winebrenner said that the Governor has said he is going to provide them with some funding but this has not been through the approval process yet.
- Lauren Palmer, MARC's Director of Local Government Services is working with a regional group on building a regional model for answering and responding to 988 calls. There is lots of work still to be done. 988 goes live on July 16, 2022.

Kansas Group

- Per Daniels, the Kansas side is further ahead. They have their plan and are working on three answering sites.

**7. Public Safety Program Updates**

• **Training – Pam Opoka**

Power Phone

- In quarter 1, there were 121 dispatchers trained.
- Quarter 2 in May, there will be a Basic training. Please send information about anyone needing this training to Opoka at popoka@marc.org.
- The first Supervisor training will be held in May and will be open for a period of time for participants to complete.
- ?????? will launch this Fall.
- Sean Hess, Kansas City Missouri Police Department is very involved in 988 and is working on an in-person CIT training.

**Pause First Academy**

- Has been extended to October.

• **Technical Services – Hassan Al-Rubaie**

Router

- Heard back from one of the providers about hardware which is making the target date look more like Q2.
- Carriers are in various stages of their connectivity to the Light Edge facility. Winebrenner added that supply issues are continuing.

Workstations

- The techs have done several hardware refreshes since this committee's December meeting. Only two sites remaining from the 2021 update listing (Lee's Summit Police and Lenexa Police Departments). Lee's Summit is scheduled for next week and Lenexa possibly the following week.
- In January, MARC will be ordering 2022 hardware refresh items. from several tower owners for additional building penetrations that Nokia indicated they would need for the new wave guide to connect the new antennas. Still hoping for a Q1 connection on the microwave upgrade.

• **Database / Mapping – Saralyn Hayes**

Very Large Query (VLQ)

- MARC recently received the VLQ from AT&T. Looking at the database totals, they have decreased 97,800 records which is a cost savings. Work is now being done with AT&T to reduce our bill.

Mapping Software Demo

- Have two demos scheduled for next Monday and the other two for Tuesday. Those providing demos are GeoComm, Intrado, Rapid Deploy and Motorola. A committee of what MARC refers to as our power users will be participating in these demos. Also, the co-chairs have been invited to attend. Anyone else interested in being included should contact Hayes ([shayes@marc.org](mailto:shayes@marc.org)).

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**8. CAD Discussion**

- Marie Beauchamp and Jason White
  - Beauchamp said that Cass County is going through an RFP process to purchase a new CAD for their 5 PSAPs and became aware that other Missouri entities are also going through this process. She asked if this was the time to discuss interoperability sharing of information between agencies through a CAD? She noted that a couple of years ago the CAD discussion had come up in terms of back-up.

Boden shared that Johnson County was undertaken a version change on their same CAD system. CAD was discussed and Winebrenner asked White to discuss possible 911 Board funding for this. White shared that the state 911 Board had given out four rounds of grants with the last three for linking things together and focusing on the Missouri red counties. White believes it is plausible the next grant round (possible late spring) will still be taking care of red counties and if there is still funding, linking agencies together. He suggested that once thoughts had been gathered for Winebrenner to contact Kasey to see what she may be hearing and her feelings regarding funding.

Winebrenner asked if there were agencies in the meeting looking at changing their CAD? Per Barnes, Jackson County is in the RFP evaluation stages with Motorola Solutions, Central Square and 365 Labs. Tarrant shared that Clay County is in negotiations with Central Square and this would provide real time with all the northland. Beauchamp reported that Cass County was looking at Central Square and Caliber and looking at the same as Jackson County with one CAD system for RMS and JMS. Avery said that everyone being on the same CAD would also help with the northland's backup.

Daniels said a survey was done showing how many CADs are in the region. He will place this document in this meeting chat and email it out. Then, everyone could tell who might be looking at new CADs and/when agencies contracts would be expiring with current providers.

Beauchamp suggested that the Missouri counties get together to discuss this. After some discussion, Daniels will set up a meeting with Platte, Clay, Cass, Jackson, Ray and Johnson County and Leavenworth Sheriff's Office on the Kansas side to share information on the process for purchasing CADs and funding possibilities.

## 9. Other Business

- Linn County – Eric Winebrenner  
Still working through cost associated with this. Linn County will have to purchase new equipment to meet the MARC region system standards. Hayes has done a review of their current mapping software and database and they use a different company for their ALI and database services. It is possible there will be a recommendation at the next Users meeting should Linn County agree to the costs.
- Outstanding Performance Awards (OPAs) – Saralyn Hayes  
Nominations are open for the annual Telecommunications Appreciation Celebration (TAC) which will again be held virtually. So far, MARC has received four nominations. She asked that agencies work on getting nominations submitted so their staff's good works could be honored.
- Spring MPSCC 911 Conference – Saralyn Hayes  
Hayes noted that this was for the Missouri side. This conference will be held in March and there are several scholarships that cover conference registration, hotel and all the expenses involved with this. Anyone interested in more information should contact Hayes ([shayes@marc.org](mailto:shayes@marc.org)).
- Demo – Eric Winebrenner  
A demo of an analytical product is being put together for the Board meeting on Jan. 26 at 1:00 p.m. This is a rapid deploy product that can be used at each PSAP. This is being done for consideration in the 2023 budget.

## 10. Adjournment

With no further discussion, Steve Hoskins adjourned the meeting.

### Future Meeting Dates:

#### PS User Committee @ 1:00 pm Teams Video

- April 6, 2022
- July 27, 2022
- October 5, 2022