

**STATE 911 COMMITTEE**  
**Legislative Action Subcommittee**  
August 31, 2020  
Meeting Minutes

**A. Call to Order/Introductions/Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Jordyn Sellek at 10:04 a.m. and roll call was taken.

Voting Members Present:

Ms. Jordyn Sellek (Chair)  
Ms. Patricia Coates  
Mr. Steven Berenbaum  
Mr. Scott Temple  
Ms. Jennifer Greenburg  
Mr. Bryce Tracy  
F/Lt. Jay Poupard  
Mr. Jeff Troyer  
Ms. April Heinze  
Ms. Lisa Hall  
Ms. Cherie Bartram  
Major Beth Clark

Representing:

Conference of Western Wayne  
Courts & Law Enforcement Management Information Systems  
AT&T  
INdigital  
Telecommunications Association of Michigan  
Mackinac County 911  
Michigan State Police  
Appointee, Speaker of the House of Representatives  
Appointee, Speaker of the Senate  
Midland County Central Dispatch  
South East Regional Emergency Services Authority  
Michigan State Police

Non-Voting Members Present:

Ms. Joni Harvey  
Ms. Lyndsay Stephens  
Ms. Stacie Hansel  
Sgt. Nicole McGhee

Representing:

State 911 Office  
State 911 Office  
State 911 Office  
Michigan State Police

**B. Approval of Minutes**

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Cherie Bartram, with support by Mr. Jeff Troyer, to approve the minutes of April 13, 2020, as presented. With no discussion the **MOTION** carried.

**C. Old Business**

HB4818

As a reminder to everyone, this bill deals with adding a member from the Consumer Data Industry to the CJIS Board. There has been no update at this time. The State 911 Committee (SNC) did send a letter to legislators. This will remain on the agenda to keep an eye on it.

COVID-19

There were no updates.

SOS Letter

A letter regarding the Secretary of State (SOS) gender identification changes was approved at the last MCDA meeting, and they asked Ms. Sellek to take to the LAS to consider bringing it before the SNC. Ms. Hall stated the MCDA is trying to get attention to the fact they could use indicators on responses for responder safety to run someone's gender as "unknown". One of the pushbacks is because this is not a new issue as individuals have been able to change their gender for some time. No one is opposing the fact individuals can change gender, it is a matter of making sure can check up on records.

The bigger picture is looking at new gender codes, which SOS is looking at, and will probably see come with the next CARS movement. This will affect many things such as entries and queries, and vendors will need time to implement.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Bryce Tracy, with support by Ms. Cherie Bartram, to approve the letter and forward to the State 911 Committee on behalf of the Legislative Action Subcommittee. With no further discussion, a roll call vote was taken.

<b>Voting Member</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Ms. Jordyn Sellek	X		
Ms. Patricia Coates	X		
Mr. Steven Berenbaum	X		
Mr. Scott Temple	X		
Mr. Bryce Tracy	X		
Mr. Jeff Troyer	X		
Ms. April Heinze	X		
Ms. Lisa Hall	X		
Ms. Cherie Bartram	X		
Major Beth Clark	X		

With a unanimous vote, the **MOTION** carried. The letter will be forwarded to the SNC at the September 9 meeting for consideration to send to the legislators.

#### Sunset on P.A. 32

When the Senate fiscal agency did their analysis in 2017, their estimated surcharge revenue was \$48.8M. In the first full year operating under the new prepaid/postpaid numbers, we have seen \$43.2M. The SNC is still working with the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) and the next generation 911 vendor to see how far out the funding will last and where we may fall short. Ms. Cindy Homant is working on getting the numbers and should have those later this week.

Once the network is complete, there is an annual cost estimate of approximately \$21.7M. The cost dedicated to PSAPs, MSP dispatch, and the State 911 Office is \$27.5M. Those together equal \$49.2M, and this year we pulled in \$43M, which is a significant shortfall.

Ms. Harvey and Ms. Homant spend time with Peninsula Fiber Network (PFN) to understand their billing process, as there are two year old invoices which have not been paid. There are certain benchmarks PFN has from the MPSC they need to meet before they can invoice services. This is why the numbers are not yet ready. If considering asking for a sunset extension, LAS needs to first know the numbers and what the timeline is for when the funds will run out, so they know the funds will not run out during the extension period.

Originally in the projections, the LAS talked about the cap within the statute of \$37M. It was asked for clarification if LAS is discussing the 25.56% of the \$37M that goes toward IP-based 911 services, and everything above the \$37M. This is correct. The way it was projected is vendor receives 25.56% of the \$37M, then get the full \$11.8M after, going up to the \$48.8M. However, since we only pulled in \$43.2M, the vendors received 25.56% of the \$37M but then only got \$6.2M as opposed to the \$11M. Ms. Homant told Ms. Sellek all the big vendors and suppliers are remitting. Where the shortfall is coming into play is with the prepaid.

As so much of the projections are made population-based, another issue to take into consideration is working with old census data.

Ms. Harvey stated as of today, the SNC is estimating a shortfall to occur in the third quarter of 2021. This is not final as SNC is waiting for more questions to be answered by the vendor, treasury and

MPSC. The definite numbers should come later this week. Ms. Sellek stated if this estimate is even close to the real numbers, an extension is off the table.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 30. If the State 911 Office gets the numbers later this week, a meeting will be scheduled sooner on how to proceed with the rewrite. If the estimated shortfall date comes back later than third quarter of 2021, the November meeting will be sufficient.

It was asked if the State 911 Office is putting the numbers together for the MPSC, then sharing with them, which will be included in their report. Ms. Harvey stated her office is not part of the process with MPSC. She is working with Ms. Wendy Thelen to figure out a better process for sharing information and transparency.

#### Letter of Interest of LAS Vacancies

Four letters of interest were submitted for three vacancies to bring the member count back to 15. With all the upcoming work with the rewrite, and educating new members, the LAS needs to review the applications and make a decision. This will be discussed and decided during the next meeting, either the special meeting or the November meeting.

#### **D. New Business**

##### RAVE Request Letter of Support

RAVE reached out to Mr. Troyer regarding submitting a letter of support to the legislature, on behalf of the SNC, for the continued funding of Smart911.

There are currently 82 of 136 PSAPs using Smart911, 200,000 personal profiles, and 6,000 business profiles. It is approximately \$1.5M per year. With this particular appropriation, the vendor is also trying to recoup the \$600,000 they are out for 2020 due to covering extra costs.

Mr. Troyer stated the letter is not asking for a specific dollar amount, but stating the SNC is supporting the actual Smart911 application itself due to the number of PSAPs actively using the application. Ms. Hall stated the letter is asking for funding, and continued funding is an issue due to the earlier NG911 funding discussion. The local counties can submit letters of support on their own.

After discussions, it is the belief of the LAS the SNC should remain neutral on this issue; the primary focus needs to be on NG911. The letter of support will not be brought to the SNC.

#### **E. Public Comment**

None.

#### **F. Next Meeting**

November 30, 2020, at 10 a.m. (unless the special meeting is called).

#### **G. Adjourn**

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Cherie Bartram, with support by Ms. April Heinze, to adjourn. With no discussion, the **MOTION** carried, and the meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.