

ALABAMA 9-1-1 BOARD MEETING

Minutes of 7/24/2024

Prior notice of this regularly scheduled meeting of the Alabama 9-1-1 Board was given in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act. The minutes were recorded by Ms. Michelle Peel, Program Coordinator for the Board.

Mr. Jeremy Williams, Chair for the Board, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

The roll was called as follows by Ms. Peel:

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Evelyn Causey	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Fred Johnson, Vice Chair	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Virtual
John Nettles	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Greg Silas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Joby Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Robert Smith, Secretary/Treasurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Brandon Wallace	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
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Jeremy Williams, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual

A quorum was established.

Mr. Williams called for unanimous consent for the approval of the agenda. It was unanimously approved with no objections. He called for the approval of the minutes of the May 15, 2024 Board meeting. The minutes were unanimously approved with no changes or objections. Guest introductions were made.

Mr. Williams turned the meeting over to Ms. Leah Missildine, Executive Director for the Board, for programmatic reports.

Programmatic Reports

Finance Report

Ms. Missildine started the finance report with a review of the financial statements for the nine months ending June 30, 2024. She provided an overview of how the fund is distributed. There were no questions about the financial statements. She recommended to the Board that they approve the financial statements as presented in the Board packet. Mr. Greg Silas made the motion. Mr. Robert Smith seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

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There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Missildine next reviewed the fee remittance rate change. It has been fully implemented. She stated that this was the most efficient and compliant rate change. She explained that the portal and staff contributed to its success.

She continued the financial report with a review of the legacy 9-1-1 cost reimbursement program. She explained that payments to the districts are lower because BrightSpeed is now billing the Board directly for legacy costs.

Ms. Missildine moved on to an update on multiple grant cycles. She advised the Board that one recipient of Grant Cycle 9 had a conflict with their agreement with the Board. She turned the meeting over to Deputy Director Adam Brown for an explanation. Several GIS-related projects in that grant cycle were to be managed by Board staff and paid for directly to the vendor by the Board. The recipients were made aware of this. One signed a contract with DATAMARK creating a billing relationship between them and DATAMARK. They then also returned the grant agreement to the Board. Board staff discovered this late – the project contracted by the grant recipient with DATAMARK is nearly complete. They have been billed for services. These services are the same as those that the Board was planning on paying directly to DATAMARK. Mr. Brandon Broadhead asked about the difference in the fees. Mr. Brown stated that the fees were the same except that Board staff planned to negotiate fees down based on contracting for multiple projects.

Ms. Missildine explained that staff is looking for guidance from the Board. The District wants the Board to pay the bill despite them having entered into the agreement directly with the vendor. The Board is unable to do that unless they enter into an agreement with the vendor. Also, the question was posed that if the Board reimburses the District, how much is appropriate. Mr. Robert Smith suggested that a letter accompany the reimbursement advising the recipient that they did not follow the grant agreement and if this happens in the future, they would forfeit the grant.

Mr. John Nettles joined the meeting in person at 10:19 a.m.

Mr. Greg Silas suggested in future grant agreements, it be stated that any contract signed with a vendor prior to signing the Board’s grant agreement would not be paid. Mr. Brandon Broadhead made the motion to grant Barbour County up to the amount previously approved for Grant Cycle 9 pending return of a signed letter and agreement as advised by legal counsel. Mr. Greg Silas seconded.

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There were no objections. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Brown reminded the Board that Grant Cycle 10 is open and solely focused on call handling and call recorders. Any other projects will not be considered.

Ms. Missildine reminded the Board that there was accounting that had not been completed prior to the last Board meeting for the User Conference. She presented a breakdown of the monies. Ms. Missildine recommended the Board postpone acceptance of the Financial Report until all reports were presented as they were all related.

Education and Outreach Report

Ms. Missildine then turned the meeting over to Ms. Ehrhart. Ms. Ehrhart began her report with an announcement of the 2025 User Conference dates and location. It will be held in Birmingham during the week of February 3. She explained that she utilized GIS information to establish a location where the most telecommunicators could be reached. She also explained that the nominal fee will be charged again in 2025 since it decreased the number of no-shows.

She continued with an update on the ALEMD program. The guidebook has been reworked and is in the hands of State of Alabama Office of EMS for their review and approval on the content. The training material is in progress but cannot be completed until EMS has approved the guidebook.

Ms. Ehrhart explained that an RFP had been put out for a contract instructor to teach a 40-hour basic PST course. She stated that the goal is to overcome hurdles PSAPs have in getting telecommunicators certified. She also announced that there is a position open for an intern to audit and normalize information imported from Virtual Academy into the Board app. There are over 30,000 records that need to be verified.

She advised the Board that PST certification has increased through outreach from Board staff. There are two that are not compliant. Numerous plans have been discussed to get Perry County compliant. But they have not participated in calls to date.

Ms. Ehrhart continued with a report on the training the Board has provided over the previous two months at no expense to the participating agencies. The goal is to have training in every region of the state. Board staff understands that not everyone can travel. The Board has offered 360 hours of in-person training across the state this year.

Ms. Ehrhart provided an update on the app Mr. Daniel Hipps has been working on for the Board. She reminded the Board that it would house ECD, PSAP, certification, and ALEMD information. This will replace the annual certification. Making changes and updating information will be as easy as signing in. She informed the Board that the Talk About It Tuesday on August 13 will be for leadership to learn how to use the app. The app will be released to all PSTs at the Gulf Coast Conference in October.

Ms. Missildine reminded the Board that Ms. Ehrhart mentioned an RFP for teaching services. She explained that this RFP was done similarly to how the Board does them for legal or accounting services. General Counsel provided a template contract. She asked the Board for a motion to authorize the Executive Director to execute contracts for teaching services on an as-needed basis with guidance from legal counsel. Mr. Brandon Broadhead made the motion. Mr. Brandon Wallace seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was held.

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There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Technology Report

Mr. Caleb Branch provided the report for INdigital. He began with a synopsis of network improvements, MEVO updates, and new features. He presented MEVO update progress statistics. He next discussed the difference between Texty and Prepared Text-to-911. Prepared allows for video into a 911 center from a caller. Ms. Missildine asked Mr. Branch about text-to-911 becoming native to NG911 with the i3 standards. This change will take operational discussions as vendors begin offering it. Mr. Branch highlighted the PSAPs on MEVO full-time, usually due to PSAP moves or upgrades. He then provided statistics of primary PSAP-to-primary PSAP transfers. These have been reduced thanks to geo-routing calls for emergency service.

Mr. Branch reported on the Crowdstrike incident in mid-July. Crowdstrike deployed an update that cause some computers on reboot to lock up or show the blue screen of death. He explained that some PSAPs were placed on MEVO. Some saw the blue screen of death and the others were placed on MEVO as a precaution. He announced that INdigital is going to cease deploying Crowdstrike while they evaluate what happened.

Mr. Branch concluded his report with an update on the use of Starlink for PSAPs that do not have multiple circuit diversity. The use of Starlink allows for redundancy in areas with limited connectivity.

Mr. Jeremy Williams asked about the Tallapoosa County call handling project. Ms. Missildine reported that is a slow-moving process but it is moving in the right direction.

Mr. Anderson Brooms presented the GIS report. He started his report with a map of all the PSAPs he has visited. He has visited 63 PSAPs accounting for 59% of the PSAPs in the state.

Mr. Brooms continued his report with a map showing the status of boundary gaps and overlaps across the state. He provided screenshots that show the importance of locally authoritative GIS data. He discussed the need to upload, validate, and aggregate. He stated RapidSOS project deployment is down to its final stages and is still moving slowly with those PSAPs. There are seven ECDs that need accounts.

Mr. Brooms moved on to MSAG to RCL, ALI to RCL, and ALI to AP comparisons. There has been good progress due to education and outreach by himself and Ms. Nida Jackson. Board staff also worked with DATAMARK to update the statewide MSAG/ALI upload.

Mr. Brooms continued his report with an explanation of FCC rule FCC-24-4 which requires wireless carriers to roll out Location Based Routing. He stated two carriers reached out to the Board. Those were T-Mobile and Comtech. Because of the boundary facilitation meetings over the last year, we were able to deliver PSAP boundaries. He then talked about MSAG/ALI VEP updates in the VEP. He outlined the GIS data requirements INdigital provided for ANGEN core functionality. They provided guidance for data readiness. Board staff is in discussion with DATAMARK to meet those requirements.

Ms. Missildine reminded the Board that staff had meetings with different committees. She is very proud of where Alabama is with GIS data readiness. She told the Board that staff has had discussions with DATAMARK to move all Districts into a state of data readiness. It is an up to \$4 million investment. Funds are available to take this next step. She stated that it should not be a burden on Districts to make their data ready when the Board can today. The Board has appropriate staff, funding, and contracts.

Mr. Fred Johnson asked who is responsible for assigning the latitude and longitude of a structure. Mr. Brooms confirmed it is the local addressing authority. Mr. Johnson followed up with a question about where that point is placed – road centerline, entry of structure, or center of structure. Mr. Brooms stated there is no standard, so it is up to the local addressing authority.

Mr. Jeremy Williams called for a ten-minute recess at 11:13 a.m.

The meeting was called back to order by Mr. Williams at 11:23 a.m.

Governance Report

Ms. Missildine moved on to the Governance Report. She informed the Board there had been a comprehensive review of the Administrative Rules as required by the Governor in 2023. She

stated that the Administrative Rules Amendment process had been started for several rules that need to be updated. To meet the deadlines for the process, the November Board meeting needs to be moved. Ms. Missildine proposed to move it one week to November 13. She reminded the Board that a meeting in which rules amendments are voted on must have an in-person quorum. Rules do not permit voting virtually in the Administrative Rules process. There was discussion among the Board members regarding conflicts with that date. No other date was proposed. Mr. John Nettles made the motion to move the November meeting to November 13. Mr. Greg Silas seconded the motion.

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Motion passed.

Ms. Missildine moved on to the proposed Administrative Rules amendments. She informed the Board that the Commercial Mobile Radio Service Board, this Board’s predecessor, still has active rules that need to be repealed since that Board no longer exists. The Legislative Services Agency has confirmed that this Board can repeal those rules. Mr. Robert Smith made the motion to file a Notice of Intended Action to repeal Chapter 225, Alabama Commercial Mobile Radio Service Emergency Telephone Service Board Administrative Code. Mr. Greg Silas seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was held.

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There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Missildine continued with Rule 585-X-4-.05. She stated that this rule should be repealed since Federal legislation exempted Lifeline subscribers from 9-1-1 surcharges. Mr. Greg Silas

made the motion to File a Notice of Intended Action to repeal 585-X-4-.05. Mr. Brandon Broadhead seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was held.

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There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Missildine next presented proposed amendment recommendations to 585-X-1-.01 and 585-X-1-.02. These amendments would clarify language to match the Board’s statute. Mr. Greg Silas made the motion to file a Notice of Intended Action to Amend Rules 585-X-1-.01 and 585-X-1-.02 as presented. Mr. Robert Smith seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was held.

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There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Missildine informed the Board that changes to the Open Meetings Act passed in the legislature recently. The Board’s Administrative Rule 585-X-2-.03 does not allow electronic voting. With the change to the Opens Meeting Act, Board members can vote electronically. The proposed amendment presented would change the rule to more closely match what is in State law. Mr. Greg Silas made the motion to file a Notice of Intended Action to amend Rule 585-X-2-.03 as presented. Mr. Brandon Broadhead seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was held.

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There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Missildine moved on to the proposed amendments for Administrative Rule 585-X-2-.08, Alabama 9-1-1 Board Grant Program. There are several proposed amendments to this rule. The first one would correct a spelling error. The second proposed amendment would remove any obstacle an Emergency Communications District might have for seeking a hardship or consolidation grant. The third proposed amendment would remove the requirement of a paper copy of the grant application be delivered to the Board and allow for electronic grant application submission only. The final proposed amendment would allow the Board or a designee to offer an alternative to the project submitted in an application. Mr. Robert Smith made the motion to file a Notice of Intended Action to amend Administrative Rule 585-X-2-.08 as presented. Mr. Brandon Wallace seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was held.

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There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Missildine next presented proposed amendments to Administrative Rule 585-X-4-.09, Additional Distributions to the Emergency Communications Districts From The Cost Recovery Fund. The proposed amendment would broaden the ability of the Board to pay contractors, ECDs, and PSAPs for costs related to the deployment and operation of ANGEN and to train and certify public safety telecommunicators. Another proposed amendment to this Rule would reduce reserves maintained to cover 90 days of operational and administrative costs plus one-twelfth of the annual baseline due ECDs. The last proposed amendment to this Rule would add language to the Rule to include all the Board’s statutory mandates. Mr. Robert Smith made the motion to file

a Notice of Intended Action to amend Administrative Rule 585-X-4-.09 as presented. Mr. Greg Silas seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was held.

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There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Missildine advised the Board that the final proposed amendments are for the public safety telecommunicator certification program. Administrative Rule 585-X-5-.02 states that 60% of public safety telecommunicators in a primary PSAP shall be certified. Many have questioned if that is enough. Ms. Missildine reminded the Board that Alabama is unlike most programs. This Board certifies the public safety telecommunicator, but also pays for the certification. Mr. Brandon Broadhead offered his opinion that since this 60% requirement is not on day one but after 360 days of employment, it should be removed from the Rule. Mr. Greg Silas confirmed with Ms. Laura Ehrhart that the number of public safety telecommunicators in the state that are not certified is less than 10%. Mr. Brandon Broadhead made the motion to file a Notice of Intended Action to remove paragraph (c) from Administrative Rule 585-X-5-.02(7). Mr. Joby Smith seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was held.

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Motion passed.

The next proposed Administrative Rules Amendments are to 585-X-5-.04, Certified Alabama Public Safety Telecommunicator-1. The first proposed amendment to this rule Ms. Missildine

presented for discussion would change 180 days from the implementation of the program to 180 days from the date of hire to be enrolled in the certification process. The second proposed amendment would add the requirement that trainees be reported to the Board within 30 days of the date of hire. Mr. Robert Smith made the motion to file a Notice of Intended Action to amend 585-X-5-.04 as presented. Mr. Brandon Wallace seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was held.

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There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Missildine presented additional proposed amendments to 585-X-5-.04. The next proposed amendment would match the ALPST-1 core competencies to the Recommended Minimum Training Guideline for the Public Safety Telecommunicator as well as increase the CEUs to 24 per 12-month period. Mr. Brandon Broadhead made the motion to file a Notice of Intended Action to update the minimum training standards to match the Recommended Minimum Training Guideline For The Public Safety Telecommunicator. Mr. Greg Silas seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was held.

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Joby Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Robert Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Brandon Wallace	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Tim Webb	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Jeremy Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain

There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

There was further discussion by the Board on the required CEUs. Ms. Missildine reminded the Board that if there is no change proposed by the Board, then it cannot be opened for public comment. Mr. Greg Silas made the motion to file a Notice of Intended Action to amend

Administrative Rule 585-X-5-.04 to require 24 CEUs per 12-month period. Mr. Robert Smith seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was held.

Brandon Broadhead	<input type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Fred Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
John Nettles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
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Tim Webb	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Jeremy Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain

Motion passed.

Ms. Missildine continued the meeting explaining that the FCC passed Report and Order 21-479 and 18-64 to expedite the transition to NG911. The FCC goal is to get federal funding from the Federal government for the transition to NG911. Alabama is uniquely poised to continue to move NG911 forward in a way the Board’s statute does not contemplate. These regulations require originating service providers (OSPs) to transition to NG911 in two phases in response to a request by a state or local 911 authority. The decision making is to be in the hands of local 911 authorities. In Alabama, it is this Board. The Board will have decisions to make with input from our service provider, INdigital, and the local 911 centers. This provides a foundation to compel everyone to work towards an NG911 standard. More Administrative Rules will need to be authored. In the Board packet, there were several committee reports inclusive of their recommendations. With all the information provided to the Board, Ms. Missildine recommended the Board accept all the committee reports inclusive of their recommendations. Mr. Greg Silas made the motion to accept all committee reports inclusive of their recommendations. Mr. Brandon Wallace seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was held.

Brandon Broadhead	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
Fred Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
John Nettles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain
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Jeremy Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yay	<input type="checkbox"/> Nay	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain

There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Ms. Missildine reminded the Board that at the last meeting, a question was posed about the Board paying for Board member travel outside of attendance of the Board meeting. She stated that the administrative 1% does not cover Board member travel without Board staff missing travel opportunities. Mr. Scott Barnett clarified it is not illegal to pay for that travel but without having better information, it should not be a standing rule to pay for that travel. Mr. Brandon Broadhead suggested it be part of the yearly budget. Ms. Missildine told the Board to bring that amount to the Finance committee for budget consideration.

Ms. Missildine also clarified a question posed during a committee meeting about what business could be conducted during executive session referencing §36-25A-7 Code of Alabama (1975).

New Business

There was no new business.

Public Comments

No public comments.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:26 p.m.

Approved this 18th day of September, 2024.



Signature



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