



West Virginia Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 3-9-2026	Time	Location: RETI
SIEC Membership & Participation (X – Present; Blank – Absent; CC – Present via Online)		
Mangus, Jim	X	RIC 1 Chairman
Novel, Tony	X	RIC 2 Chairman
Jenkins, Mike	CC	RIC 3 Chairman
Tice, Brandon	CC	RIC 4 Chairman
Gianato, Adam	X	RIC 5 Chairman
Vititoe, Steve	CC	RIC 6 Chairman
Saffel, Dave	X	WV APCO
Cadle, Pat		WV County Commission Association
Blackwood, Matt	Proxy – Jeff Perry	WV DEM Director Acting
Rumbaugh, Stephen	CC Prox – Patrick Shea	WV Department of Transportation
White, Mikyle	CC	WV E-911 Council
Willis, BJ	CC	WV Emergency Management Council
Ratliff, Jody		WV Health & Human Resources
Blosser, Travis		WV Municipal League
Seward, James	CC Proxy – Danny Kirby	WV National Guard
Abbott, Heather		WV Office of Technology
Smith, Chuck	Proxy – Tyrone Gore	WV Parkways Authority
Howard, Tom		WV Sheriff's Association
Tyree, Ken		WV State Fire Marshal
Mitchell, Jim	Proxy – DJ Miller	WV State Police
McConnell, Dustyn	X	WV SWIC
Bump, Paul		WV Zone 1 Switch Agency
Vargo, Lou	CC	WV Zone 3 Switch Agency

Additional Participants

(X – Present; Blank – Absent; X-CC – Present via Conference Call)

RC Faulk	CC	Assistant SWIC
Adam Layne	CC	DOT
Greg Hendry	CC	EMD
Loyd Lowry	CC	911 Proxy
Brooke Hess	CC	Technical
DJ Miller	X	WVSP
Steven Singer	CC	CISA
Tom Hart	CC	RIC 2
Derek Johnson	X	Kanawha 911
David O'Brien	X	Technical
Dirk Burnside	X	Technical
Bob Hoge	X	Historian



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Previous Minutes Reviewed and Approved

- **Motion:** **Jim Mangus**
- **Second:** **Dave Saffel**
- **Motion:** **Passed**

Technical Committee Report

- Programming
 - Current Versioning –
 - Motorola **APX CPS R38.00.70 2025.3 Feature Release – 01/20/2026**
 - **FW R38.02.00 2025.3 Feature Release– 01/20/2026**
 - Motorola APX Next – **APX NEXT 4G LTE + 5G FW R38.20.00 2025.3– 01/20/2026**
 - Motorola APX Next - **APX NEXT 4G LTE FW R38.04.00 2025.3 – 01/20/2026**
 - Motorola APX N70 – **APX N70 FW R38.21.00 2025.3 Feature Release– 01/20/2026**
 - Motorola APX N70 – **APX N70 R37.03.00 2025.2 Feature Release – 09/12/2025**
 - **Motorola APX7000(AN)**
 - Motorola CPS 20.01.00 – Firmware 20.50.10
 - Kenwood – KPG-95DGN v 8.30 (10 Series) Firmware – 4.43 (v2) 6.14 (v3)
 - Kenwood – KPG-112DN V2.33 (20 Series) Firmware 2.21
 - Kenwood – **KPG-D1N 5.30 (NX-5X00 & 30 Series)–Firmware 5.31**
 - Armada - **1.46.22**
 - RES – BKR9000 – **5.11.10**
 - Tait – **3.6.1.10**
 - L3Harris -
- Test
 - Harris –XL-95 –
 - Motorola Next XN – Waiting for radios from Motorola
 - Motorola N30
 - Icom – IC-F7510 – Still waiting for LLA cables to finish testing
- AT&T Co-Location at Sand Springs – It was determined that a structural would be required from AT&T with a complete map of the tower of ALL devices to be noted. We need to know the weight of the radio equipment assumed to be mounted on the desired disk to be included in the total weight to go on the tower. Lastly, we were wondering what the dish was going to be connected and if that equipment was already on site.



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- The Kenwood/EFJohnson ISSI testing site is currently on the air with significant efforts of technical personnel of SIRN. Motorola wanted to do that with Critical Connect, but the Critical Connect group backed out of getting it done. Based on a call from the SWIC to Motorola personnel, the connection has now been made and is connected via the traditional ISSI. It is currently working, and working well.
- Kenwood/EF Johnson has made progress on their LTE PTT solution using ESChat implementation. Once the CriticalConnect work is completed, the SWIC will reach out to Kenwood/EF Johnson to initiate a test platform for this service. – **Not yet. Will be discussed at IWCE.**
- Pleasants County wants to co-locate on the St. Mary’s SIRN tower – Marion requested a list of antennas that could/would be abandoned from the tower before she could make any comments. I have not heard anything regarding that information being provided to her.
- Cabell County LOC for Culloden tower – LOC has been signed and returned by EMD
- Harris Class - There tentatively is a Harris class planned in the Eastern Panhandle, date to be determined. There is also a desire for classes for both Harris, Armada, and others in Kanawha County at a date to be determined.
- The Technical Committee is requesting to modify the Radio Equipment Requirements & Approved Equipment List and add Over the Air Rekeying and Over the Air Reprogramming. In addition, it is desired to add another document titled **Console Equipment and Approved Equipment List**
- US Secret Service is requesting adding 175 radios to the system. We are in the process of obtaining radio licenses from them. They are requesting two talkgroups. Motion to approve Jim Mangus, Second Dan Kirby. No objections.
- The West Virginia State Fire Training Academy has requested a statewide talkgroup. The Technical Committee has no objection.

Important Technical Information

Channel ID Plan	3 FDMA No longer in use	4 FDMA	5 FDMA	6 TDMA	7 TDMA	8 TDMA
Bandwidth	12.5 kHz	12.5 kHz	12.5 kHz	12.5 kHz	12.5 kHz	12.5kHz
Transmit Offset Sign	+	+	+	+	+	+
Transmit Offset MHz	5 MHz	5 MHz	9 MHz	5 MHz	5 MHz	9 MHz
Channel Spacing	12.5 kHz	6.25 kHz	6.25 kHz	6.25 kHz	6.25 kHz	6.25 kHz
Base Frequency	453.025 MHz	450MHz	400 MHz	450MHz	460MHz	400MHz



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Cyber Security Sub-Committee Report

- Discussion ensued about having the group watch a video on cyber security each meeting.
- Danny Kirby is working to get a class set up for in person at the April meeting for a ½ day after the SIEC meeting. He will work to get something set up and report back.

Policy and Procedures Committee Report

- Did not meet.

Training/Education/Outreach Committee Report

- WV AuxComm is set for April 11-12 at the Putnam 911 Center. Due to the government shutdown, the ICS website is offline so the group will allow the class without a needed ICS but withhold the cert until the ICS course is completed.

Conference Committee Report – Steve Vititoe

- Committee desires other topics to be presented for possible inclusion on the agenda.
- Each RIC will inquire from the membership.
- Some modifications were made to the previous draft and RC Faulk will share the updates with the committee.

Planning Committee Report

- Application approval for the US Secret Service's participation application.

New & Emerging Technologies

- Nothing to report.

RIC Region 1 Report

Kanawha, Clay, Putnam, Jackson, Roane, Calhoun, Ritchie, Wirt, Wood, and Pleasant

- Waiting on notes.



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RIC Region 2 Report

Hancock, Brooke, Ohio, Marshall, Wetzell, Tyler, Doddridge, Harrison, Marion, Monongalia, Preston, Taylor

- Minutes attached.

RIC Region 3 Report

Grant, Hardy, Hampshire, Berkeley, Jefferson, Mineral, Morgan

- Has not had a meeting since the last SIEC meeting.
- Next meeting is set for March 19, 2026.

RIC Region 4 Report

Pocahontas, Pendleton, Webster, Randolph, Tucker, Barbour, Upshur, Braxton, Gilmer, Lewis

- Have not met due to the weather.
- Next meeting is March 19th at Randolph 911 Center.

RIC Region 5 Report

Mercer, McDowell, Wyoming, Raleigh, Summers, Monroe, Greenbrier, Nicholas, and Fayette

- Beckley FD is requesting a copy of the Conference exercise and to utilize some of the regional channels for the exercise. Will coordinate with the RIC.
- The next meeting is March 12, 2026.

RIC Region 6 Report

Cabell, Boone, Lincoln, Logan, Mason, Mingo

- Has not met since the last SIEC meeting and have not planned a meeting for March.

Business Conducted

- Technical Committee recommends moving forward with the request from the Secret Service; 2nd by Tony Novel; motion passed.
- Training committee recommends approval of the April 11-12 WV AuxComm course; 2nd by Tony Novel, motion passed.
- Planning committee recommends approval for the participation application from the Secret Service; 2nd by Dave Saffel; motion passed.



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- Next meeting:
 - **Date:** April 13, 2026
 - **Location:** RETI

Meeting adjournment.

- **Motion:** Jim Mangus
- **Second:** Tony Novel
- **Motion:** Passed

RIC 2 Minutes

Regional Meeting

2/11/26 – MECCA Morgantown, WV 26501

- Meeting called order at 10:00 am by T Novel
- Minutes from the previous meeting, unanimously approved by a motion, Tom Hart motioned, Lou Vargo seconded the motion.
- Training
 - Harris Class be organized for Eastern Panhandle
 - Jim Mangus setting up COM L and Aux Com classes
 - Danny Kirby setting up cyber security class to be held after SIEC meeting.
 - David Prince noted WVU doing Ham class, if interest I can supply contact info.
- Old Business
 - Wileyville -200 amp service-waiting on power company.
 - Cadell-Steel for tower being manufactured, Federal studies are behind because of previous shut down.
 - Band Plan 8 added to accommodate TDMA on NTIA channels.
 - Three UPS's replaced at Zone 3 master site.
 - No further info on midyear radio programming classes.
- New Business
 - The software and firmware updates were given.
 - Motorola N 70 approved.
 - Harris XL 185m & 185p approved.
 - Motorola N30 being tested.
 - Harris XL 95 being tested.
 - Motorola Next XN-waiting on radios from Motorola.
 - WVSIRN Conference will be held at Camp Dawson and registration is open.
 - Harrison County is currently testing AXS consoles from Motorola.
 - Motorola APX 6000AN's and 7000's along with their mobile models are no longer supported by Motorola and firmware can't be upgraded past 36.61.00.
 - Critical Connect will be restructured. The current implementation is set up as an external connection through ISSI. The new implementation will be brought into system and no longer be connected through ISSI. This will make services connected through Critical Connect more reliable and allow SIRN more control over the administration of the services.
 - Kenwood/EF Johnson has made progress on their LTE PTT solution using ESCHAT implementation. Once the Critical Connect work is completed, the SWIC will reach out to Kenwood/EFJohnson to initiate a test platform for this service.

- o Stressed that if you have TDMA in your radio as a feature you will have to have all the band plans entered into your radio or you will definitely experience some problems, if you haven't already!

- Good of the order

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NEED TOPICS FOR SIRM CONFERENCE!!!!!!

- Next Meetings-March 31, 2026 @ MECCA 911 Responder Drive, Morgantown WV 26501 10am start
- Meeting adjournment-Harold Sperriger motion, Jay Thomas seconded and motion passed.