West Virginia
Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes

Date: 1-12-2026	Time: 1150	Location: RETI

SIEC Membership & Participation
(X – Present; Blank – Absent; X-CC – Present via Conference Call)

Mangus, Jim	X	RIC 1 Chairman
Novel, Tony	X	RIC 2 Chairman
Jenkins, Mike	X	RIC 3 Chairman
Tice, Brandon		RIC 4 Chairman
Gianato, Adam	X	RIC 5 Chairman
Vititoe, Steve	X	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		WV Department of Transportation
White, Mikyle	Proxy – Loyd Lowry	WV E-911 Council
Willis, BJ	Proxy – Ricard Rose	WV Emergency Management Council
Ratliff, Jody		WV Health & Human Resources
Blosser, Travis	Proxy – David Erwin	WV Municipal League
Seward, James	Proxy – Danny Kirby	WV National Guard
Abbott, Heather		WV Office of Technology
Smith, Chuck	CC Proxy – Tyrone Gore	WV Parkways Authority
Howard, Tom		WV Sheriff's Association
Tyree, Ken		WV State Fire Marshal
Mitchell, Jim	Proxy – Nathan Sayre	WV State Police
McConnell, Dustyn	X	WV SWIC
Bump, Paul	CC	WV Zone 1 Switch Agency
Vargo, Lou		WV Zone 3 Switch Agency

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

RC Faulk	X	Assistant SWIC
David O'brien	CC	Technical, Conference
Brooke Hess	X	Technical, Conference
Steven Singer	X	CISA
Don Conrad	X	Guest
Bob Hoge	X	Historian
Dirk Burnside	X	Technical
Michael Spangler		

Previous Minutes Reviewed and Approved

- **Motion:**   **Dave Saffel**
- **Second:**   **Mike Jenkins**
- **Motion:**   **Passed**

Technical Committee Report

- Programming
    - Current Versioning –
        - Motorola **APX CPS R36.00.02 2025.1 Baseline Release – 11/13/2025 FW R36.61.00 2025.1 Baseline Release– 12/08/2025**
        - Motorola APX Next – **APX NEXT FW R09.61.00 2025.1 Baseline Release– 12/05/2025**
          Motorola APX Next - **FW R37.20.00 2025.2 Feature Release – 12/05/2025**
        - Motorola APX N70 – **APX N70 FW R06.61.00 2025.1 Baseline Release – 12/08/2025**
          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 - **1.46.16– 12/08/2025**
        - RES – BKR9000 – **5.11.10**
        - Tait – **3.6.1.10**
        - L3Harris -

- Testing
    - Harris – XL-400P, XL-185P & XL-95
        - Motion to approve the XL-400P and XL-185P and XL-185M at Level 1 – Motion by Dave Erwin, Second by Dan Kirby - Passed
    - Motorola N30
        - Motorola N70 – Motion by Adam Gianato, Second by Fred Kinder to approve. Passed

- Braxton County wants to put a radio on Floe to test a simulcast. Radios will be installed by Allen Holder and antennas will be placed at 20 ft. – Motion by Jim Mangus, Second by Fred Kinder with an end date of testing to be April 30, 2026. Passed

- Sierra Wireless waiting on a decision with customers pending, they were tabled in 2025. We are denying Sierra Wireless's request as it now stands for the following reasons:
  - We do not approve vendors in West Virginia.
  - Vendors do not have talkgroups assigned to them for testing.
  - Vendors do not have radio ID's that they may use or assign to customers for any reason.
  - Vendors that sell radios in West Virginia are allowed to program radios only after taking programming classes given by the SIEC Technical Committee and not before.
  - Radio ID's and Talkgroups are provided through the Points of Contact.
  - Further information is available in the Subscriber Programming Requirements found online at SIRN.WV.GOV.

- A complaint was received from Wetzel County of a potential policy violation that there was a patch between a Low-band radio and SIRN for Wetzel County All Fire. The Technical Committee does not find a problem with this and current policy. This was discussed and approved in July 2023 SIEC meeting.

- The upgrade of the system is complete and we need to move toward the CISA analysis of our system.

- There was a recent event of someone calling pretending to be a Motorola employee requesting access to the radio system in an area in Texas. Access to our system should never granted without the approval of an West Virginia SIRN representative. Specific requests for remote access to the system should be handled with the utmost amount of precaution and requests after hours should be considered suspicious and verified by a SIRN employee.

- Summers County requested approval of a direct connect Motorola MCC7500e console. Motion to approve by Tony Novel, Second by Dave Erwin. No objections. It will now move on to Planning then to the SIEC.

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

Cyber Security Sub-Committee Report

- Did not meet.

Policy and Procedures Committee Report

- Did not meet.

Training/Education/Outreach Committee Report

- Did not meet.

Conference Committee Report – Steve Vititoe

- RC Faulk reported that the registration portal opened in late 2025 and notifications were sent.

- RC Faulk reported that the vendor reach-out has also been done with all previous Conference vendors as well as other vendor companies that we have come to realize participate in other conferences.

- RC Faulk reported that two locations have been identified for potential 2027 Conference host locations. Glade Springs and Bechtel Summit. Both locations have been contacted and additional details are being gathered and the group can discuss at the February meeting.

- The group was reminded that the work for agenda items should start soon because some people can't register until they have an agenda to support the travel request.

Planning Committee Report

- Recommend approval of Summers County Dispatch Console Site for 911 Center with 2 positions and a fiber connect. Tony and Dave Saffel.

- Recommend the appointment of Jim Mangus to the chair of the Training Committee; Motion by Dave Erwin and second by Dave Saffel; motion passed.

New & Emerging Technologies

- It was reported that Motorola is changing the architecture for the SmartApps and Services that include Wave and Critical Connect to make things more streamlined and easier to control. This will also give some capacity increase to the state users.

RIC Region 1 Report

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

- Last met on December 18, 2025 with low turnout.

- Elected a new recorder.

- Next meeting is February 19th, 2026 at Ripley VFD.

RIC Region 2 Report

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

- Has not met since October.

- Next meeting is January 28th, 2026 at MECCA.

RIC Region 3 Report

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

- Minutes attached

RIC Region 4 Report

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

- Has not met recently and are working toward establishing a meeting date for the next meeting.

RIC Region 5 Report

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

- Has not met yet.

- Next meeting is January 15th, 2026 at the Summers EOC at 10am.

RIC Region 6 Report

Cabell, Boone, Lincoln, Logan, Mason, Mingo

- Next meeting is at Cabel EMS Station on January 22nd, 2026.

Business Conducted

- Summers County 911 filed an application for 2 console positions and was reviewed by multiple committee's and both concur to move forward for approval; 2nd by Jim Mangus and motion passed.

- Technical committee provided a list of recommended radios for approval as listed above, 2nd by Tony Novel and motion passed.

- Braxton County's request to test at Floe was presented for approval; 2nd by Tony Novel and motion passed.

- Next meeting:
    o **Date: February 9th, 2026**
    o **Location: RETI**

Meeting adjournment.
- **Motion: Tony Novel**
- **Second: Jim Mangus**
- **Motion: Passed**

Meeting Minutes

RIC 3

December 18 2025

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
Mike led the review of the previous meeting minutes. Dickey made a motion to approve, Chris
seconded the motion, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Approval of New Member – Jeff Fishman
Mike introduced Jeff Fishman as a recommended new member from the Morgan County
Emergency Communications Network. Dickey made a motion to approve his membership, Chris
seconded, and the group voted unanimously in favor.

Vacant Positions and Recruitment Discussion
The group, including Myra, Chris, Dickey, Sandy, and others, discussed strategies to fill vacant
RIC positions. Potential recruitment sources included Civil Air Patrol, hospitals, critical
infrastructure partners, and search and rescue organizations. Several potential candidates were
identified, and follow-up actions were assigned.

Officer Elections and Confirmations
Mike facilitated nominations for the vice chair and recorder positions. Chris and Jen declined
nominations for vice chair. Myra volunteered for the recorder position. Dickey made a motion to
confirm Myra as recorder, Chris seconded, and the motion passed.

System and Project Updates
Fred provided an update on the Shepherdstown site, noting that dirt work and electrical utilities
have been completed. Tower steel shipment is pending. He also mentioned ongoing political
challenges in Jefferson County.
Mike shared information regarding registration for the upcoming conference.

Next Meeting
The group agreed to schedule the next meeting for **March 19th at 10:00 AM**, to be held at the
Morgan County EOC with a Teams option available. The group noted flexibility to meet sooner
if needed.

Announcement of Retirement
Mike and Sandy announced that GE will be retiring effective **December 26th**. Sandy noted that
no successor has been identified at this time.