West Virginia
Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes

Date: 12/8/2025	Time: 11:40	Location:
Meeting Called to Order By:		

SIEC Membership & Participation

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

Name	Status	Role
Mangus, Jim	CC	RIC 1 Chairman
Novel, Tony	CC	RIC 2 Chairman
Jenkins, Mike	CC	RIC 3 Chairman
Tice, Brandon		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
Mccabe, GE	CC	WV DEM Director
Rumbaugh, Stephen	CC Proxy – Pat Shea	WV Department of Transportation
White, Mikyle		WV E-911 Council
Willis, BJ		WV Emergency Management Council
Ratliff, Jody		WV Health & Human Resources
Blosser, Travis		WV Municipal League
Seward, James		WV National Guard
Abbott, Heather	CC	WV Office of Technology
Smith, Chuck		WV Parkways Authority
Howard, Tom		WV Sheriff's Association
Tyree, Ken		WV State Fire Marshal
Mitchell, Jim	CC Proxy – Nathan Sayre	WV State Police
McConnell, Dustyn	X	WV SWIC
Bump, Paul		WV Zone 1 Switch Agency
Vargo, Lou		WV Zone 3 Switch Agency

Additional Participants

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

Name	Status	Role
RC Faulk	CC	Assistant SWIC
Michael Spangler	CC	WVDNR Law Enforcement
Jeff Perry	CC	EMD
Ethan Whisenant	CC	WVSP
Tom Hart	CC	RIC 2
Bob Hoge	CC	Historian
Gregg Hendry	CC	EMD
Steve Singer	CC	CISA
David O'Brien	X	Technical Committee
Dirk Burnside	CC	Technical

Previous Minutes Reviewed and Approved
- **Motion:** **Tony Novel**
- **Second:** **Dave Saffel**
- **Motion:** **Passed**

<u>Technical Committee Report</u>

- Programming
- Current Versioning –
    - Motorola **APX CPS R37.00.00 2025.2 Feature Release– APX Family Portables and Mobiles FW R37.01.00 2025.2 Feature Release– 09/12/2025**
    - Motorola APX Next – **APX NEXT FW R09.61.00 2025.1 Baseline Release– 12/05/2025**
    - Motorola APX N70 - **APX N70 FW R37.03.00 2025.2 Feature Release - 09/12/2025**
    - **Motorola APX7000(AM)**
    - 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 - **1.46.14– 11/27/2025**
    - RES – BKR9000 – **5.11.10**
    - Tait – **3.6.1.10**
    - L3Harris -

- Testing
    - Harris – XL-400, XL-185 & XL-95
    - Motorola Next XN & N70
    - Icom – Still waiting for software

- Will check with Dustyn regarding the CARE group assignment of radio ID's and affiliation – Dave Erwin assigned and took care of this.

- SmartConnect report from Adam – Extensive testing with LTE with the N70 with no problems. Hope to approve them in January

- Discussion with Brian Hensley with Public Broadcasting. Technical expressed concern about having their antennas closer than 30 feet and more if possible. Brian was very positive about working with us in relation to interference or any issues with EBA sharing.

- U.S. Capital Police has requested two talkgroups and bringing potentially 3000 radios to the system. The SWIC was advised to attempt to get them to contribute radio licenses to the system to cover what they were bringing to the system.

Cyber Security Sub-Committee Report

- Did not meet.

Policy and Procedures Committee Report

- GE McCabe asked for a volunteer to chair Policy Committee but no one would take it so that would be re-addressed at a future date.

- A brief discussion was held about preventing other consoles to be added to the system and GE McCabe advised to draft a sample for review.

Training/Education/Outreach Committee Report

- 5 of the students have completed the prerequisites from the Romney Class.

- Certificates need printed and the Training Committee Chair's permission to use his signature for the certificates (those completed).

- Cabell County believes they have 6 students interested in the WV AUXCOMM in Putnam County for 2026 (no date set yet for this class).

- ICT plan motion to approve by Dave Saffel and second by Jim Mangus; passed.

Conference Committee Report

- RC Faulk reported on current planning status.

- RC Faulk advised for all members to finalize the view of the sample portal.

- 2026 and 2027 planning was briefly discussed.

- A possible change of venue for 2027 was briefly discussed and more information will be needed for a new discussion of a different place to go on 2027 and beyond.

Planning Committee Report

- U.S. Capitol police application for participation for up to 3,000 subscribers. They were told that many users would need licenses with two encrypted talkgroups. Motion to approve by Dave Saffel pending license purchase, second by Jim Mangus; Motion passed.

New & Emerging Technologies

- DJ Sigmon reported over 7 million FirstNet connects across from 30 thousand agencies.

- It was also reported that 2027 would be a reauthorization year and efforts are underway for that.

- DJ Sigmon also reported that the portal network allows users to see sites that are down.

RIC Region 1 Report
Kanawha, Clay, Putnam, Jackson, Roane, Calhoun, Ritchie, Wirt, Wood, and Pleasant

- RIC-1 hasn't met since the last SIEC meeting in November. The next meeting for RIC-1 will be December 18th at the Ripley VFD @ 10AM-Noon.

RIC Region 2 Report
Hancock, Brooke, Ohio, Marshall, Wetzel, Tyler, Doddridge, Harrison, Marion, Monongalia, Preston, Taylor

- Has not met since the last meeting. Next meeting is in Clarksburg in January 2026.

RIC Region 3 Report
Grant, Hardy, Hampshire, Berkeley, Jefferson, Mineral, Morgan

- Has not met since the last meeting and the next meeting is December 18th at the Morgan EOC.

RIC Region 4 Report
Pocahontas, Pendleton, Webster, Randolph, Tucker, Barbour, Upshur, Braxton, Gilmer, Lewis

- The next meeting is TBD.

RIC Region 5 Report
Mercer, McDowell, Wyoming, Raleigh, Summers, Monroe, Greenbrier, Nicholas, and Fayette

- Has not let since the last meeting and planning on a meeting in January 2026.

RIC Region 6 Report
Cabell, Boone, Lincoln, Logan, Mason, Mingo

- Have not met since the last meeting and the next meeting is at Cabell EMS on January 21, 2026.

Business Conducted

- RC Faulk distributed the 2026 meeting date calendar. There was a change to the September date due to Labor Day. The correct date will be September 14th.

- Technical recommends approval of the U.S. Capital Police talkgroup request along with the Planning Committee recommending application approval; second by Jim Mangus; passed.

- Next meeting:
    - **Date: January 12, 2026**
    - **Location: RETI**

Meeting adjournment.
- **Motion:** **Dave Saffel**
- **Second:** **Jim Mangus**
- **Motion:** **Passed**