

ILLINOIS TERRORISM TASK FORCE
Minutes of Council of Chairs Meeting
September 25, 2019
ATTENDEES

Alicia Tate-Nadeau – Homeland Security Advisor
Mike Chamness – Illinois Terrorism Task Force- Chair

Committee Chairs

Emergency Management

Guidice, Richard - IL Emergency Management Agency
- Chicago OEMC
- Cook County DHSEM

Fire Mutual Aid

Glenn, Erickson - Mutual Aid Box Alarm System
- IFSI

Law Enforcement Mutual Aid

Page, Jim - IL Law Enforcement Alarm System
Sons, William - IL State Police

Transportation & Critical Infrastructure

Juskelis, Vydas - IL Dept. of Transportation
- Am. Public Works Association

Public Health

Rawls, Win - IL Dept. of Public Health
- IL Association of Public Health Administrators

Staff/Members

Ahmed, Sami - IEMA
Armstead, Alix – OSFM
Arnold, Eric - ILETSB
Brown, Renysha - IEMA
Carle, Derek - ILETSB
Clark, Deb - ILEAS
Evans, Bob – IEMA
Evans, Larry - ILEAS
Frost, Skip - ILEAS
Gutierrez, Natalie – Chicago OEMC
Millette, Mike - APWA
Moore, J.P. - IFSI
Pfeifer, Julie – WIU
Smith, Pete - ILEAS

Advisory Members

Other Attendees

Illinois Terrorism Task Force (ITTF) Council of Chairs Meeting – September 25, 2019 – 10:00 a.m. held at Soldier Field, 1410 Museum Campus Drive, Chicago, IL 60605

Call to Order

Chairman Mike Chamness called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone attending. He expressed his appreciation to Director Richard Guidice and staff of the Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications (OEMC) for coordinating and hosting the meeting.

Minutes

Chairman Chamness called the following motion:

- *Motion to approve the minutes from the August 28, 2019, Council of Chairs Meeting.*

Motion to Adopt: Jim Page, ILEAS
Seconded: Win Rawls, IDPH
Motion Carried

Update on Safe2Help Line

Chairman Chamness provided a briefing on the development and status of the Safe2Help Line. Chairman Chamness acknowledged ISP and Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT) for their oversight and assistance with this project.

Update on the Stop the Bleed Kits

Chairman Chamness provided an update on the Stop the Bleed Kits. He acknowledged ILEAS and IMERT staff for their coordination and transportation of 4,200 kits to the Regional Office of Education for distribution to the Regional Superintendents for distribution to their attendance centers. As previously discussed, one kit per public and private attendance center throughout the state will be provided. A 30-minute introductory webinar has been developed and will recommend that teachers and staff take the 90-minute Stop the Bleed training course certified by the American College of Surgeons (ACS). This link is currently available on the ILEAS/Stop the Bleed website and will be placed on the Illinois.gov website. If five people within an attendance center complete ACS training, an additional five kits will be issued.

Old Business

Status update on projects using the unallocated SFY20 Preparedness and Response (PAR) Grant Program funds

Chairman Chamness and Bob Evans, Preparedness Grants Section Manager, provided an update on the projects approved for the PAR Grant funds. At the June 26, 2019, full ITTF membership meeting, members approved allocation of \$2.5 million (Tier 1) of the \$5 million PAR funds for various projects. Members also approved using Tier 2 PAR funds for the Safe2Help Illinois school safety tip line initiative to include tip line marketing and outreach. At the August 28, 2019, Council of Chairs meeting, it was discussed and approved to present to the September 25, 2019, full membership meeting, a state cyber security initiative regarding the upcoming 2020 elections (amount undetermined at this time) from Tier 2 funds after the Safe2Help Illinois initiative is funded. Any remaining funds from Tiers 1 and 2 after Safe2Help Illinois and the cyber security project are funded will be used to fund Tier 3 projects in order of priority as set by the ITTF. It is anticipated that by the end of January 2020, the amount of funds needed for the Safe2Help Illinois project through the end of the fiscal year will be known. By March 2020, it will be known if any funds are needed to support the cyber security project. Once these amounts are known, it can be determined how much funding is available for Tier 3 projects.

Discussion and recommendations followed on the process to update the FY 21 Unmet Needs Document (PAR) to be presented to Governor's Office.

Status update on projects using FY 17 SHSGP funds (expiring August 31, 2020)

Bob Evans, Preparedness Grants Section Manager, provided an update on FY 17 SHSGP funds. Discussion followed. It was determined that FY 17 SHSGP funds updates will be provided at each Council of Chairs and full membership meetings, and by January 2020 discussion and recommendation for projects supported by FY 17 SHSGP unspent funds will be determined and presented to the full membership in March for review and approval. It was also discussed that unspent FY 17 state-retained Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) funds will be frozen on March 1, 2020, and returned to UASI for recommendations of projects with the state, city and county.

New Business

Discussion on how to address the delay in the reimbursement process from the state to ITTF PAR Grantees followed.

Future items for discussion at the October 23, 2019, ITTF Council of Chairs Meeting:

- The formation of the Urban Area (UA) stand-alone committee within the ITTF. Currently the UA (City of Chicago OEMC and Cook County DHSEM) serves as the co-chair of the Emergency Management (EM) Committee. They will continue to serve on the EM committee as members. Also, a new co-chair of the Emergency Management committee will be determined.
- The Critical Infrastructure Committee - the need to create additional working groups within the committee (i.e. transportation, utilities, etc).
- Cyber Security recommended to become a stand-alone committee within the ITTF.
- Due to a meeting conflict, the December 11, 2019, ITTF Council of Chairs (10:00 a.m.) and Full Membership (1:00 p.m.) meetings need to be adjusted. Discussion followed. It was determined that these meetings would be moved to December 10, 2019 (Chairs 10:00 a.m./Full Membership 1:00 p.m.) to be held at IEMA in Springfield, Illinois.

Upcoming ITTF Meetings – Council of Chairs and Full Meeting

The next Council of Chairs meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, 2200 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL 62703

Motion to Adjourn: Richard Guidice, Chicago OEMC
Seconded: Win Rawls, IDPH
Motion Carried