

Report of the Technical Committee

For the Meeting of the Board on 9/15/2021



Pursuant to proper public notice, the Technical Committee met virtually at 1:02 PM on Tuesday, August 31, 2021. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the progression of ANGEN and the GIS project within the Federal Grant performance period. Michelle Peel called roll. All Committee members were present with Vice Chair Alan Campbell, John Nettles, and Brandon Wallace attending via video conference bridge due to the public health state of emergency. A quorum was established. Also present virtually were Caleb Branch, Andi Murphree, and Holly Peacock of INdigital and Scott Barnett of Brunson, Barnett, and Sherrer, P.C. Staff members present included Executive Director Leah Missildine, Deputy Director Adam Brown, GIS Program Manager Anderson Brooms, and Program Coordinator Michelle Peel. There were no guests in attendance.

Executive Director Leah Missildine presented the agenda for the meeting. Mr. John Nettles made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Mr. Brandon Wallace seconded the motion. There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Missildine turned the meeting over to Mr. Caleb Branch of INdigital to discuss ALI Cuts and Carrier Conversion. Ms. Missildine explained that as a district cuts to INdigital ALI, they can then request an ALI disconnect if they are served by AT&T. In some cases, a reduction in billing has occurred after an ALI disconnect. Ms. Missildine made the recommendation to continue the legacy 9-1-1 cost reimbursement program for at least six months beyond the current fiscal year (i.e., from October 1, 2021 until March 31, 2022) so that the Board can monitor if billing is further impacted. Mr. Campbell asked if there was any reason not to extend it another full fiscal year. Ms. Missildine stated there is currently no known reason it cannot be extended another full fiscal year. Mr. Brandon Wallace made the motion to extend the legacy 9-1-1 cost reimbursement program through fiscal year 2022 – from October 1, 2021 until September 30, 2022. Mr. John Nettles seconded. There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Missildine moved on to an update of issues with Lee County ECD. Thus far they have not moved to INdigital ALI. Also, there is a problem with intermittent duplicate calls presenting to the call-handling equipment when a transfer is made from one of the primary PSAPs to the secondary PSAP. It has been recommended to them on multiple occasions to put in a ticket with AT&T. To the best of our knowledge, that has not been done yet. There is discussion about certain scenarios depending on the action of Lee County ECD and the Board.

Ms. Missildine informed the Technical Committee that since the Board approved to pay for language translation services through Voiance at the July board meeting, 26 districts had applied. The first kick-off was today with Walker County.

Next, Ms. Missildine opened discussion of the GIS project. She began with a brief review of the federal grant timeline. Mr. Anderson Brooms provided an updated map on who is where in the progress of the project. Mr. Brooms also discussed a project being conducted in Jefferson County to provide better location routing and fewer district to district transfers.

There were no guests that wished to give public commentary.

After the agenda items were discussed, Mr. Wallace made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Nettles seconded the motion. There were no objections. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:13 PM.