

ALABAMA 9-1-1 BOARD MEETING
Minutes of 5/19/2021

Prior notice of this regularly scheduled meeting of the Alabama 9-1-1 Board was given in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act. The minutes were recorded by Ms. Michelle Peel, Administrative Assistant.

Ms. Evelyn Causey, Chair for the Board, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

The roll was called as follows by Ms. Peel:

Alan Campbell, Vice Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Evelyn Causey, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Melissa Dove	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Wayne Hutchens	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Fred Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
John Nettles	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Robert Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Brandon Wallace	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Tim Webb	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
Jeremy Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual

A quorum was established.

Mr. Scott Barnett, general counsel to the Board, began the public hearing. A public hearing was held for proposed amendment to Rule 585-X-2-.08, Alabama 9-1-1 Board Grant Program. The public hearing concluded at 10:03 a.m. Ms. Causey resumed the regular Board meeting. The hearing transcript is Attachment A of this document.

Mr. Robert Smith made a motion to adopt for certification the rule amendment discussed in the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alan Campbell. There was no discussion or objections. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Causey called for the unanimous consent for the approval of the agenda for the meeting. The agenda was unanimously approved with no objections. She called for the unanimous consent for approval of the minutes from the March 17, 2021 Board meeting. There were no changes or objections, and the approval of the minutes was ordered. Guest introductions were made.

Committee Reports:

The report of the Finance Committee meeting held on May 12, 2021 was presented by Ms. Leah Missildine, Executive Director for the Board. The purpose of the meeting was to review the

Board's financial statements and the ongoing discussion regarding district audits. Committee members present virtually included Committee Chair Robert Smith (Secretary/Treasurer for the Board) and Jeremy Williams. Also attending virtually were the Board's legal counsel Jeff Sherrer and Johnny Brunson. In person attendance included the Board's Administrative Assistant, Financial Manager, Deputy Director, and Executive Director. Mr. Cooley presented the financial statements. The Finance Committee made the recommendation to the Board to accept the financial statements as presented. Mr. Brandon Wallace moved to accept the committee report and recommendation. Mr. Robert Smith seconded the motion. There was no discussion. There were no objections, motion passed unanimously.

Staff Reports

Director's Report

Ms. Missildine reported on the ANGEN Reimbursement program the Board had authorized two years ago. To date, 21% of districts have requested reimbursement. She reminded the Board that the deadline to request reimbursement is September 30, 2021. Mr. Jeremy Williams requested that an email reminder be sent to the districts. Ms. Missildine then reported on the legacy 9-1-1 cost reimbursement program. Many districts have not yet made a request for reimbursement.

Next, Ms. Missildine described the process for requesting ALI circuit disconnect from AT&T. A question was posed about Lumen ALI circuit disconnect process. There has been no process developed with Lumen for Lumen-served PSAPs yet. Lumen does not have one centralized 911 office. Ms. Missildine informed the Board of efforts to have telecommunicators reclassified as first responders. A guidance document has been posted to the Board's website, social media, and was available as a hardcopy at the meeting. She also gave an update on Telecommunicator's Week Outreach Packet delivery as well as ongoing and upcoming activities and deadlines. Ms. Missildine concluded her report with a discussion of NG911 building blocks and the next steps the Board will need to consider to fully implement NG911.

GIS Report

Ms. Missildine moved on to the GIS report. Mr. Anderson Brooms explained the goals of the GIS project. Mr. Brandon Wallace asked if the districts that have little GIS data would hold up the project. Ms. Missildine answered that staff is working on other avenues to obtain the data for those districts that did not have any. Mr. Fred Johnson asked about some of the processes. He also stated that the state has put its destiny in its own hands with ANGEN. The GIS data being produced will be valuable and everyone will be interested.

LMS/Training Report

Ms. Missildine moved on to the training report. She gave an update on the LMS rollout to the training districts, upcoming training opportunities, and the planning of the first 9-1-1 Academy. The 9-1-1 Academy is to be a joint effort with the Alabama 9-1-1 Board, Pike County 9-1-1, and Troy University. This was a fast-moving endeavor and details were still being hammered out.

ANGEN Report

The training report was followed by the ANGEN report. Mr. Joel McCamley reported on 911 Authority's activities over the previous two months. He discussed action items including the upcoming IV&V testing. Mr. Caleb Branch then presented the report for INdigital. He stated that ANGEN is fully built out to the primary PSAPs in Alabama. All wireless calls come directly into the network. There were no active CAMA trunks. He then discussed carrier

conversion progress, ALI conversion, the status of TEXTY across the state, and MEVO installation for ALEA. He updated the Board on the status of border connectivity with Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Florida. He also discussed storm event analysis.

Financial Report

Mr. Ron Cooley then presented a high-level financial report for the Board.

Mr. Alan Campbell left the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Mr. Cooley continued his report with a status of carrier remittance compliance. Only seven carriers had needed reminders of the new remittance process.

Mr. Campbell returned to the meeting at 11:24 a.m.

Legal Report

General Counsel then presented the legal report. Mr. Scott Barnett provided an update on the lease for the Board's administrative offices. The state leasing office had questions about some of the language of the lease. The lease was with Aronov for some minor changes. He then reminded the Board that the use of a virtual quorum would end when the emergency health order expires. Mr. Jeff Sherrer then reported on the status of the Morgan County litigation regarding records release. Motions for summary judgment had been ruled on in Morgan County's favor. An appeal was expected. Mr. Sherrer would keep the Board apprised of the case.

Old Business:

There was no old business for discussion.

New Business:

There was no new business for discussion.

Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

Ms. Evelyn Causey expressed gratitude for the professionalism and work done by the staff. She then turned the floor over to Mr. Jeremy Williams. Mr. Williams stated that in the last finance committee meeting, it was very evident to him that the Board made a correct decision hiring our current legal counsel. He knew the process of changing counsel had been contentious, but they are always prepared having thoroughly researched issues presented to them. They always have a plan to address these issues. Ms. Causey seconded Mr. Williams' statement saying she feels supported by the current firm and is very appreciative of their work for the Board.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

Approved this 21st day of July .



SECRETARY/TREASURER



CHAIR