

## WISCOM SUBCOMMITTEE

JULY 24, 2019  
1:30PMDEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS  
2400 WRIGHT STREET, MADISON, WI  
ROOM 230**MEETING MINUTES**

1. Meeting convened at 1:34 PM.
2. Quorum was established. 8/14 members present. Present in person: Joseph Baasch, Keith Kesler, Keith Hurlbert, and Dave Gribble. Present via teleconference: Darren Chappuies, Jennifer Lord, Jan Victorson, and Gary McClelland.

3. Review and approval of the November 29, 2018 Meeting Minutes

*Motion to approve meeting minutes by Hurlbert. Seconded by Victorson. Unanimous approval.*

4. Review and approval of the April 17, 2019 Meeting Minutes

*Motion to approve meeting minutes by Baasch. Seconded by Victorson. Unanimous approval.*

5. Review and approval of the May 29, 2019 Meeting Minutes

*Motion to approve meeting minutes by Gribble. Seconded by Baasch. Unanimous approval.*

6. Public Comment - There was no public comment.

7. Membership Updates

- A. There are several vacancies for the regional daily user representatives. OEC will reach out to daily users from the East Central, Northeast, and West Central regions to fill current vacancies on the Subcommittee.

8. Old Business

- A. WISCOM System Update-*Josh Ripp*

1. Currently there are 39,600+ units registered on WISCOM. More than 39,500 are subscriber units utilizing over 2000 talk groups. 872 of those talk groups showed activity last month.
2. The NWS offices in Sullivan and La Crosse are currently using RCALL channels to relay weather information to county PSAPs through their County Connection radios or other WISCOM device. In the future, the RCALL channels will be utilized by the other NWS offices across northern and eastern Wisconsin.
3. The current EFJ software update for the NMS should alleviate problems that DANECOM and OASIS have with talk groups that pass through the ISSI.

4. In preparation of the 2020 DNC, work is being done to ensure that all components on the WISCOM system will have the most current software updates and all features will be functioning properly. Updates to the system and the new features will be thoroughly tested during a mass casualty planning event scheduled for early summer of 2020. The regional healthcare talk groups will be used for this multi-hospital, county, and state exercise.
5. A survey was sent to get a status of the communications capabilities of the Air Medical Council, first responders in the field, and hospitals. Responses are being sent to OEC and the data will be recorded to help with communications planning.
6. The Juneau County system is currently undergoing drive and field testing. Work is being done to create a communications plan template and other radio training will be scheduled. The system is on schedule to go live in the Fall.
7. The 18.1.3 system update will be released later this week. Testing will be done by Wisconsin State Patrol communications technicians before the update is implemented statewide.

B. Other Old Business

1. Lord and Victorson reported that during the recent Rainbow Gathering in northern Wisconsin, the National Forest Service, Department of Natural Resources, and other local county entities were able to communicate seamlessly using patches and talk groups that were available on the WISCOM system.

9. New Business

A. WISCOM RFP Discussion

- o Subcommittee members reviewed the RFP that was released in 2018, specifically the sections on coverage and equipment requirements, and provided recommendations for what they would like to see in a future RFP. One recommendation was to include phased coverage requirements to enhance coverage over several years.

10. Set Next Meeting Date - A Doodle poll will be sent to determine the next meeting date.

11. Meeting adjourned at 2:28 PM.

*Motion to adjourn by Lord. Seconded by Baasch. Unanimous approval.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Harris-Fatty  
DMA/OEC