

**Kansas Law Enforcement Resources Working Group  
Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center  
January 24, 2019**

**Call to Order**

Eric Sauer called the meeting to order at 9:29 AM

**Welcome and Roll Call**

Membership in attendance: Nate Regier – SC Region, Ron Gould -KLETC, Bruce Jolliff (KLETC Guest), Mark Engholm – FBI/JTTF, Daryl Reece – KC Metro Region, Todd Ackerman - KACP, Andy Van Der Wedge – NW Region, Courtney Leslie – SW Region, Bryan Murphy – SE Region, Frank Papish - KBI, Chuck Dunn – NC Region, Eric Sauer - Chair, Edna Cordner - Guest, Melanie Lawrence – Guest, attended in person with John Koelsch – NE Region attending by conference call.

**Review of Meeting Minutes**

Ackerman motioned for approval of the August 23, 2018 minutes with no changes and Murphy seconded with all approving.

**Chairperson's Comments or Reports**

Captain Sauer provided a KHP update: Colonel Bruce has been retained by Governor Kelly to serve as Superintendent of the Patrol. A big project for the Patrol will be working towards CALEA accreditation for the KHP training academy, and KLETC will be joining them in the process. The Patrol has received the first level of CALEA accreditation in 2018. The Gen 5 Glock 19 upgrade has been completed which was started during the last meeting. Troop J (KHP Training Academy) has a new leader, Captain Allan Litton.

**Membership Reports/Updates**

Regier apologized for the wrong FY19 project being uploaded into data counts. The intended project has now been uploaded and he brought copies for review. Regier also discussed the changes to the South Central multi-county SWAT. They want to avoid any future situations that create liability from a training standpoint. The SC region voted to have requirements in place when using HSG funds, that in order to be a part of a supported tactical team, you must attend quarterly meetings and meet standards similar to the NTOA Part-Time Type III standards. Many departments already meet this standard, but if they don't they have a goal to strive to achieve for membership. This will ensure that teams will be able to integrate seamlessly with personnel and equipment. They do plan in the future to have joint training opportunities. Regier is willing to share their standards with others.

Engholm brought up have issues with projects that do not have law enforcement involvement but are claiming to benefit law enforcement according to the law enforcement set aside. This is a good reason to get local law enforcement involved in the Regional Councils. Easier to speak up when something doesn't benefit the discipline, but also may bring more project ideas benefitting law enforcement.

What are we (KLERWG) doing with project approval? This is just a recommendation: use our law enforcement expertise to ask questions that the SAC can see when a project is presented. Nothing prevents you from contacting project manager directly with questions. We do recommendations via email so everyone can see the questions and response together. As the SAA the Patrol tries to stay out of the conversation and let the working group ask questions, make comments and suggestions.

There is an upcoming training for Preparing Children for Disasters. Will find out more information and share with the group.

### **Special Business and Old Business**

Tactical Medical Kits has been a project for new officers with KLETC. There has been effort to provide training that can be done across the state by paramedics for existing law enforcement officers. Jolliff has been working to condense the current training to provide two and a half hours of lecture with an hour and a half of hands on training. It should be ready to review by the next meeting.

The kits are available on state contract. There may be some changes to the state contracts in the future. Once we have more information on state contracts, Sauer will let this group know.

Engholm suggested reaching out to the Board of EMS to provide continuing education hours for officers. Van Der Wege has received conflicting advice about law enforcement officers that are also paramedics.

### **Regional Homeland Security Councils:**

Sauer: Please try to get as much law enforcement participation in the Regional Councils as possible whether they want grant funding or not. This is how we get our voice out. Please go back and try to get participation. As you can see, there have been issues that this could resolve, and everyone should be involved. The meetings are a good networking place for LEO's with emergency management and other agencies. Please continue encourage CRMCS and typing in your regions.

Murphy had to get caught up to speed when the previous law enforcement representative retired. He is currently trying to reach out to other sheriffs and chiefs for their involvement. It was suggested to have a ten-minute presentation at a Council meeting to discuss what went well with a project and how the region benefitted from it. Emergency Management doesn't always understand why or how law enforcement functions the way that it does.

Another issue has been the dissemination of information to other law enforcement officers in the regions. We are receiving calls from departments that have never heard of the Regional Council. Create a network and email out the meeting minutes when you receive them.

It can be intimidating to attend a council meeting for the first time. If you can reach out in advance offer to have them sit next to you. They aren't required to speak up at the meeting. The Associations have quarterly meetings – are they getting the information. Do they know about CRMCS?

Sauer wanted to thank everyone for their help in the project review. We are just a recommendation board to ask questions and ensure that projects are properly vetted. Murphy had thanks for KHP HSG unit for our help in helping him to write his first project.

Reese said they have sent some officers to receive DARCY (Direct Action Response Center) training. It is a two-week intense class. They are looking at simplifying this to an eight-hour class locally. If you are interested, please let him know.

Reese also talking about working with the FBI for a correctional intelligence program. They are going to all the prisons and jails in Kansas. If anyone is interested in joining this group please let him know. The first meeting will be January 31.

### **Homeland Security Grant Update**

Cordner appreciates the tough questions that were asked. They do go back to the region and make a wiser vote, and to also help the project managers improve the project.

There will be some statewide law enforcement project opportunities that Cordner will send out. A couple of them are with the KHP SRT for a PowerHawk Workbook and a Radiation Identification Tool. There is also a burn trailer project, however, we need to see if it does fit in the current SPR. A power unit has also been requested to help transport the KHP FATS machine to other locations. Currently checking with the regions to see if they have one they would like to transfer.

One of the things that needs to be improved is how a project is written. Describe your team – how is it deployable and sharable? Answer the Who, What, When, Where, Why and How questions. Back up your stats. What do you want to accomplish with grant funding: Why do we need to sustain this project, and what will happen if we don't sustain it? We cannot help re-write projects. Cordner will go out and do project manager orientations and provide technical assistance to a region.

Ackerman brought up a question that would be good for the new workbooks: What other sources of funding have been explored for this project? Has the manager actively looked for other sources?

Leslie asked if there is a need for a project writing class. Cordner and Connie Satzler could do a class in Salina – a morning and an afternoon class. Cordner will send out a doodle poll to see if the interest exists.

**New Business**

Election: Sauer had stated that this is not a position that has to be held by the KHP, and anyone is more than welcome to step up and be chairperson of this group and opened the floor for nominations. Ackerman made a motion for Sauer to continue as chair and Papish seconded with all approving.

Sauer has said the best way to get a hold of him is through his mobile phone or email: [eric.sauer@ks.gov](mailto:eric.sauer@ks.gov) or (785) 554-0637.

**Announcements**

None.

**Adjournment**

Murphy motioned to have the meeting adjourned and Papish seconded with all agreeing.