

**Kansas Law Enforcement Resources Working Group
(KLERWG) Minutes
November 1, 2023
KLETC**

Attendees

Members

Heather Buller – KLETC Member at Large Proxy for Ron Gould, John Koelsch – NE Region/Vice-Chair, Toby Prine – KDEM, Doug Jorgensen – KSFMO, Tyler VanCoervern – NC Region, Justin Bramlett – KHP/Chair, Doug Schroeder – KS-CPOST, KDWP, Jeff Cakin and Darren Brown, Amy Osburn – KPOA Proxy for Joby Harrison, Mark Engholm – FBI/JTTF, Andy Van Der Wege – NW Region, Kelly Ralson – KBI, Bryan Murphy – SE Region, and Courtney Leslie – SW Region.

Guests

Bruce Jolliff – KLETC, Adam Simone – KHP, Melanie Lawrence – KHP, Glen Virden – KBI and Edna Cordner - KHP

Call to order

Bramlett called the meeting to order at 9:32 AM and had the attendees go around the room and introduce themselves.

Review of meeting minutes

A motion to approve the July 19, 2023, Minutes as written was made by Van Der Wege and Engholm seconded the motion with all approving.

Chairperson's comments or reports

Bramlett asked if everyone liked meeting virtually two to three times a year and meeting in person to vet the law enforcement projects in late October/early November? No negative comments were made about this process.

There are many changes happening within the Patrol. Colonel Erik Smith has been appointed to be the Superintendent by the Governor. Lieutenant Colonel Jason DeVore is retiring, and Captain John Lehnherr from Troop G/Turnpike has been selected to be his replacement. Major Mike Murphy and Major Dennis Marten have announced their retirements opening up those two positions. There has been some realignment of responsibilities already within the Patrol and more are expected.

Membership reports/updates

Jolliff with KLETC reported they have had 2,085 students as of today with tomorrow having an additional 24 students that have received the Tactical Medical Kits. They have had three classes without the kits and would like to know the next steps. It was discussed the funds are determined by the regions, however, there are some FY23 funds available for this project and to contact Lisa Peters with the North Central Regional Planning Commission.

Boller with KLETC passed out a report on CDVE training. The main goals are officer safety and preparedness. They have managed to offer the training at approximately \$100 a student. Not sure what the future will be and would be open to any direction offered by the group. A motion was passed at last meeting to encourage Regions to put their 3% of the National Priority funds toward the training. Cordner suggested she gives an update at the State Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting.

Koelsch had no report for the NE Region.

Prine reported that KDEM is going through the process of updating the Kansas Planning Standards. Today is the close date for public comment. There is a law enforcement component to the plans which you may want to be involved in the updates. In two weeks, we have the Wolf Creek Graded Exercise – there is still a law enforcement component to the local and state.

Jorgensen reported that he is retiring as Kansas State Fire Marshal, and his replacement will be Engholm.

Van Coervern reported for the NC Region that they are hosting an advanced SWAT course at Crisis City, and they still have some open seats to fill. It is a five-day course and taught by DHS approved Government Training Institute.

Engholm reported that he is retiring from KHP and JTTF and will be taking over as the State Fire Marshal. He looks forward to still being involved with the working group.

Van Der Wedge reported that the NW Region is sending three officers to the SWAT course and is happy to find something local.

Ralston reported the KBI will continue their representation in the KLERWG with Glen Virden being assigned as representative. Ralston has been appointed Assistant Director and has been resigned with a focus on the labs and information services. Virden will be working under Ralson and has been assigned to this committee. Tony Weingarten and Bill Smith are also Assistant Directors and duties are being switched around to best fit the strengths of each director.

Murphy had no report for the SE Region.

Leslie had no report for the SW Region.

Special business / Old business

The FY23 HSGP and NSGP have been awarded. We received more than the NOFO had for the NPSG with approximately 31 awardees. This does not include those in Johnson, Leavenworth, and Wyandotte counties as they apply to Missouri as part of the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI). Local law enforcement can assist with the required risk assessments which are a part of the grant application process. Information on the NSGP grant can be found at <https://www.datacounts.net/nsgp/default.aspx> and one can sign up to be on the email listing through: https://astrakansas.com/nsgp_subscribers/new

New Business

Bramlett announced that it was time to hold a Chairperson Election. Ralston motioned to keep Bramlett as the chair with Engholm seconding the nomination and all approving. Bramlett then asked for Koelsch to continue on as the Vice-Chair, and he accepted.

Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks has not been asked to attend these meetings. Bramlett asked if we should have them join as a Member At Large as they are not listed in the Charter. Osburn motioned to have them join with Van Der Wege seconding the motion and all approving.

Vetting of the FY24 Projects that have the discipline of law enforcement benefitting.

Region	Project	Support Modify No Support
NW	SWAT Sustainment	1 st Priority: Support
NW	UTV Sustainment Project	3 rd Priority: Support with modification increase verbiage to law enforcement or decrease the percentage as it reads now is heavy with EMS & Fire.
NW	Laser Ammo Deployable Training Simulator	2 nd Priority: Support
NC	Stop the Bleed Kits	Support
NC	LEO/Active Violence Responder Bags, etc.	Support
NC	Regional Operational Coordination Enhancement	Support
NC	Accountability System	Support with 10% change
NC	Mass Notification	Support
NC	Kansas Mesonet	Support

NE	Accountability	Support
NE	Kansas Mesonet	Supports at 10%
NE	AES Radio Updates	No support because need more details.
NE	Dive & Water Rescue Boat	Search & Rescue?
		The boat is owned by the sheriff's department, right now, it does not meet the definition of law enforcement. Sounds like equipment was more search and rescue than evidence recovery or even body recovery. Van Der Wege talks about wording as they have solved several burglary cases by hiring a diver to do recovery of evidence.
NE	First Net	Support
NE	Mask Communications	Support from KLERWG and vetting from COMMS
NE	MTAA Bomb Suit	Support
NE	LE Night Vision	Modify with cost analysis for options.
NE	UTV Multi-Purpose	Modify: similar to NW UTV. Deployable Resources
KC	Cybersecurity	Support
KC	Fusion Center Outreach	Support
KC	LE Capabilities	Support
KC	Fusion Center Intel & Info	Support
KC	Fusion Center CDVE	Support and clarification on fire aspect
SW	Portable Video Surveillance	Support
SW	Rigaku Chemical Analysis	No support with original information provided.
SW	Dive Equipment	Support since sending law enforcement to training
SW	Multi-Discipline UTV	Deployable Resources? Copying from the previous.
SW	Multiple Event Trailer	Support
SC	Mass Notification Sustainment	Support

SC	Accountability	Support
SC	Regional Operational Coordination	Support with 10% modification
SC	Wichita Bomb Squad	Support
SC	SWAT	Support
SE	DVE	Support
SE	Tactical Medical Kit	Support
SE	Active Violence Response Training	Support
State	Thermo Scientific	Support
State	KHP Counter Terrorism Training	Support
State	KHP Fusion Center Analyst	Support
State	CRMCS/Accountability	Support with 10% modification
State	Preparedness	Support
State	Regional EM Support	No Support: Doesn't meet the LE set-aside definition.
State	TAG Incident Support Program	Support with modification: 10% for consistency on LE for IST/Regional Coordination.
State	TAG Citizen Corps Program	Modification: Remove the LE set-side or add in law enforcement.
State	TAG Fusion Center Project Coordinator	Support
State	KBI Fusion Center Analyst	Support
State	Rigaku Chemical Analyst	Support
State	ESF 11 Sustainment	Support
State	KDA Accountability	Support with Modification: 10%

Announcements

No announcements were made.

Adjournment

Bramlette adjourned the meeting at 1:05 PM