

SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

WebEx Meeting

Stephen Cox – Chair

Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Beier, Bernie – Allen County Homeland Security Director
Cain, Steven – Purdue University Extension Manager
Cox, Stephen – Indiana Department of Homeland Security Executive Director
Elcesser, John – Indiana Non-Public Education Association Executive Director
Fay, Sally – Integrated Public Safety Commission
Johnson, Phil – University of Notre Dame
Kaufmann, Dr. Michael – Indiana Department of Homeland Security EMS Director
Turner, Larry – Indiana State Police
Wilson, Michael – Warsaw-Wayne Fire Department Chief

Members Absent:

Barnes, Tracey – Indiana Office of Technology Executive Director

Call Meeting to Order and Quorum

Stephen Cox, Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) Executive Director called the Senior Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. Roll call was taken, and it was determined that there was a quorum.

Approve Minutes from September 3, 2020 Meeting

Chairman Cox presented the September 3, 2020 SAC meeting minutes for approval.

Motion:

John Elcesser motioned to approve the meeting minutes from the September 3, 2020 SAC meeting. The motion was seconded by Phil Johnson. A roll call vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously.

All in Favor:

Beier, Bernie
Cain, Steven
Cox, Stephen
Elcesser, John
Fay, Sally
Johnson, Phil
Kaufmann, Dr. Michael
Turner, Larry

Opposed: NA

Presentation of HIRA/THIRA/SPR Process

Peri Rogowski, IDHS State Planning Officer, presented to the committee information on the Hazard Identification Risk Assessment (HIRA), Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA), and Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) processes. The detailed slide show is available on the DHS Senior Advisory Committee Teams channel.

Report about Integrated Public Safety Commission (IPSC)

Sally Fay, IPSC Statewide Interoperability Coordinator, presented to the committee information about IPSC's role. The detailed slide show is available on the DHS Senior Advisory Committee Teams channel.

Report on Emergency Responders

Michael Wilson, Warsaw-Wayne Fire Department Chief, presented to the committee information about his district's emergency responders. A regular newsletter has been created in response to Covid-19. They created an in-house training counsel to work directly with the state regarding firefighter training. Fire run volume has been relatively low but with a dry autumn, they are seeing an uptick in rural fires. EMS has been responsible for most runs. Dr. Michael Kaufman, IDHS Director of Emergency Medical Services (EMS), offered IDHS as a resource to Chief Wilson and his EMS partners. Chief Wilson commented that he appreciated the state's involvement and presence. Chairman Cox thanked Chief Wilson for his updates.

Next Meeting

The next SAC meeting will tentatively be in February 2021. This date is based on when the FEMA guidance is released. Rachel Cosner, IDHS State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant Manager, will email the committee with a meeting date. The committee is also encouraged to volunteer to present relevant topics to the SAC, please email Rachel Cosner if interested.

Adjournment:

Following no further discussion or business, Chairman Cox thanked everyone for attending the meeting. The SAC meeting adjourned at 1:44 p.m.