

AGENDA
ST. LOUIS AREA REGIONAL RESPONSE SYSTEM
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, February 14, 2019 – 9:00 A.M.
ST. LOUIS CITY FIRE HEADQUARTERS

1. CALL TO ORDER BY DON FEHER, PRESIDENT

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 10, 2019 MEETING

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Directors Report

NICK GRAGNANI
STARRS

B. Equipment Inventory Issues

LEAH WATKINS
East-West Gateway Council of Governments

C. Sub-committee Reports

- Communications Core Group
- Emergency Management
- Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
- ESF-8
- Hazardous Materials (Hazmat)
- Healthcare Preparedness
- Law Enforcement
- Mass Fatality
- Public Health
- St. Louis Area Regional Coalition of COADS
- Training and Exercise
- Urban Search and Rescue

4. ACTION ITEMS

A. Nominating Committee Report

TONY FALCONIO
Madison County, Illinois
Emergency Management Agency

5. OTHER BUSINESS

6. NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

**STARRS BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
January 10, 2019**

The meeting of the STARRS Board of Directors was called to order at 9:05 a.m. at the City of St. Louis Fire Headquarters, 1421 N. Jefferson, St. Louis, Missouri, with attendance as follows:

Directors Present

Abe Cook
Anthony Falconio
Sarah Gamblin-Luig
Brian Gettemeier
Justen Hauser
Chris Hunt
Dennis Jenkerson
Ryan Nicholls
Lawrence O'Toole
Vanessa Poston
Derek Rieger
Warren Robinson
Bill Roche
Herb Simmons
Ryan Weber
John Whitaker

Ex Officio

Jim Wild

Excused

Jon Belmar
Greg Brown
Gary Christmann
Abe Cook
Don Feher
Jim Fingerhut
Todd Fulton
Joann Leykam
Brian Naeger
John Nowak
Lynden Prange
Dave Todd

Absent

Mike Arnhardt
Mark Diedrich
Les Crews
Michele Tanton
Cathy Vaisvil

Also in attendance were Derek Lohner, Missouri State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) and Chet Hunter, Washington University Emergency Management. STARRS / East-West Gateway Council of Governments staff that were present include Staci Alvarez, Nick Gragnani, Ky Kee, Leah Watkins and Brad Zoref.

CALL TO ORDER

Bill Roche, Vice President, called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 11, 2018 MEETING

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2018 meeting. Motion carried, all voting aye

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Directors Report

Nick Gragnani provided an update on the UASI grant funding. He advised the Board that the FY 2016 UASI budget will end on August 1, 2019; the FY 2017 UASI budget will end on August 1, 2020, and the FY 2018 UASI budget will end on August 1, 2021.

Equipment and Supplies Sub-Award Agreements

Staci Alvarez advised the Board that beginning on January 1, 2019, the local jurisdictions and agencies that were approved to receive equipment or supplies from any of East-West Gateway's grant programs, including the UASI and ASPR grants, will be required to enter into a sub-award agreement with East-West Gateway. She stated that a local jurisdiction or agency will receive one sub-award for each grant that East-West Gateway receives (e.g. one sub-award for equipment purchased from the 2016 UASI grant); therefore, some jurisdictions and agencies will receive multiple sub-awards. A list of these jurisdictions and agencies, along with an estimated value for the sub-awards was provided in the Board memo regarding this issue. Staci said the sub-award agreements described in the list reflect the estimated dollar value of equipment and supplies that will be purchased by East-West Gateway and transferred to the local jurisdiction or agency and do not reflect the provision of any grant funds to these entities. She stated further that the sub-award agreements will govern the use, care, and maintenance of the grant-funded equipment and supplies and will describe the inventory, reporting, and other requirements for accounting for the grant-funded equipment and supplies.

Missouri All Hazards Mitigation Plan Update

Jennifer Vuitel, East-West Gateway Planning staff advised that East-West is currently updating the St. Louis Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Missouri portion of the region for the five year period 2020-2025. The plan addresses actions that local governments, special districts, and school districts can take prior to a natural disaster to reduce physical, financial, and social impacts and prepare residents. Jennifer advised this plan presents information about natural disasters, levels of risk, and strategies for local governments and school districts to take to reduce the adverse effects of natural hazards including tornadoes, severe winter or summer weather, drought, floods, earthquakes, dam failure, and wild fires. She stressed that the plan will include a summary of natural disasters in the last five years, mitigation actions local governments have taken during that same time, and recommended priority actions for the next five year period. Participation from the regional jurisdictions is critical to the success of the plan. Also important, local jurisdictions must adopt the plan in order to be eligible to receive mitigation funds from FEMA. Jennifer advised that if anyone has questions or would like to participate in the plan update to contact her at jennifer.vuitel@ewgateway.org or via telephone at 314-421-4220.

Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) Program Update

Althea de Guzman, Regional Program Coordinator from Hagerty Consultants, provided an update of CCTA activities to date. She began with presenting aggregated numbers of the program since August 2018. These numbers included a breakdown of total participation numbers by stakeholder group and by state. Additionally, she highlighted how the CCTA program has truly been representative of the region by having exercises and workshops hosted at several different locations throughout the region in both Illinois and Missouri. Both Fusion Center tabletop exercises have now been completed; the second one was held in the St. Charles County Emergency Operations Center. This tabletop exercise was also exemplary in nature for successfully bringing together Fusion Center representatives from Kansas City and Jefferson City, Missouri and the Illinois Statewide Terrorism and Intelligence Center (STIC) in Springfield, Illinois, as well as federal partners and bi-state law enforcement representatives. Immediate next steps in the program include additional operational guide development workshops for functional areas in: Law Enforcement, Special Operations, EMS, Fire, Command and Control, and the newly created and much-needed Communications and Dispatch. The St. Louis CCTA program has been featured in The Telegraph and other local news for its panel at a Freightways Industry Forum.

ACTION ITEMS

Nominating Committee Report

Tony Falconio summarized the Nominating Committee's STARRS Sub-Committee recommendations:

New Subcommittee Applicants

Hazmat

Mike Siegel, Assist Chief, Training Officer, Jefferson County, MO Hazmat
Jeremey Hollrah, Fire Chief, Orchard Farm Fire Protection District

Healthcare Preparedness

Bradley Barton, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Parkland Health Center
Damon Longworth, Chief Financial Officer, Southeast Missouri Mental Health Center

Law Enforcement

Lieutenant Matthew Brilllos, Deputy Commander, St. Louis County Police Department

Public Health

Karissa Hoffman, Public Health Planner, Franklin County Health Department

Urban Search and Rescue

Mike Digman, St. Louis County USAR Program Manager, Metro West Fire Protection District

Motion approving the recommendations was made. Motion carried, all voting aye.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made. Motion carried, all voting aye. The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 AM.

Anthony Falconio

Memo to: Board of Directors
From: Staff
Subject: Nomination of Sub-Committee Appointments
Date: February 7, 2019

The Nominating Committee offers updates to the Board Officers, appointments of STARRS' Sub-Committee representatives, the reaffirmation of existing Sub-Committee representatives and approval for the removal of Subcommittee members. The Committee met on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 1:30 PM via telephone conference call and voted to present the following nominations to the Board. Those present for the meeting were Tony Falconio, Madison County Emergency Management and Committee Chair; Mark Diedrich, St. Louis County Police, Office of Emergency Management, Captain Chris Hunt, St. Charles County Police Department, Division of Emergency Management; and, Herb Simmons, St. Clair County Emergency Management Agency and 911 Coordinator.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Officers

The STARRS Bylaws specify one-year terms for Board Officers; therefore, the Nominating Committee recommends the following nominations of new officers:

- **President** – Sergeant Bill Roche, St. Louis County Police Department and St. Louis Fusion Center
- **Vice President** – Warren Robinson, Director, Jefferson County, Missouri Emergency Management Agency
- **Treasurer** – Anthony Falconio, Madison County, Illinois Emergency Management Agency
- **Secretary** – Captain Chris Hunt, St. Charles County Police Department; Director, Division of Emergency Management.

SUB-COMMITTEES

Sub-Committee Chair and Vice Chair Appointments

Sub-Committee	Chair	Vice Chair
Communications Core Group	Greg Brown	Joann Leykem
Emergency Management	Mark Dietrich	Warren Robinson
Emergency Medical Services	Jim Fingerhut	John Nowak
ESF-8	Vanessa Poston	Gary Christmann
Hazardous Materials	Michael Arras	Matt Lavanchy
Healthcare Preparedness	John Whitaker	Michele Tanton
Law Enforcement	Jon Belmar	Dave Todd
Mass Fatality	Roger Smith	Kathleen Hargrave
Public Health	Justen Hauser	Nicholas Kohlberg
St. Louis Area Regional Coalition of COADS		
Training and Exercise	Derek Rieger	Josh Wilderson
Urban Search and Rescue	Brian Gettemeier	Michael Arras

Sub-Committee Category C Director Appointments

Sub-Committee	Voting Rep	Alternate
Communications Core Group	Greg Brown	Joann Leykem
Emergency Management	Mark Dietrich	Warren Robinson
Emergency Medical Services	Nick Harper	John Nowak
ESF-8	Vanessa Poston	Gary Christmann
Hazardous Materials	Dennis Jenkerson	Matt Lavanchy
Healthcare Preparedness	John Whitaker	Michele Tanton
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SUB-COMMITTEE APPLICANTS, REINSTATMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS/REMOVALS

The Nominating Committee recommends the following individuals for membership on a STARRS Sub-Committee:

Emergency Management

Michael Wiegand, Chief of Police, City of Eureka Police Department. Chief Michael Wiegand has been in law enforcement for over 40 years; starting his career in Eureka in 1976. His supervision of the daily operation of the Eureka Police Department consists of 25 police officers, 2 part-time /reserve officers, and 3 clerks. He has served on the Eureka Chamber of Commerce as a Board Member for 18 years through a number of terms, including two terms as Chamber president in 2006 and 2007.

Hazardous Materials

Derek Reiger, Captain, City of St. Louis Fire Department. Derek Rieger is a 15-year veteran of the St. Louis Fire Department, where he has earned the rank of Captain. His official title is Homeland Security & Special Operations Officer and serves on the Fire Chief's Command Staff. His duties include operational planning, intelligence sharing, emergency management, and is the Fire Department's liaison to all federal, state, and local agencies. Captain Rieger is attached to the St. Louis Fusion Center where he oversees the gathering, analysis, and dissemination of intelligence to the St. Louis Fusion Center's partners and stakeholders. Captain Rieger commands the STLFD's Tactical Medic Program where he regularly deploys with the SLMPD SWAT team on tactical operations. Captain Rieger is on the St. Louis FBI - JTTF Executive Board, and active member of the FBI's InfraGard community. Recognizing that cyber-attacks on the nations' critical infrastructure is rapidly becoming the most common attack methods for hostile actors, he is focusing his studies on cybersecurity at Maryville University. Derek is also a licensed paramedic in the state of Missouri, in good standing for the last 15 years.

Public Health

Jennifer Kret, Emergency Response Planner, St. Louis County Health Department. Jennifer Kret joined St. Louis County as an Emergency Response Planner in October 2018. She has a Bachelors degree in Biochemistry from the University of Colorado-Boulder, and Masters in Public Health in Nutritional Epidemiology from the University of Minnesota, School of Public Health. She completed the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE)/Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Applied Epidemiology Fellowship (Class X, host site: District of Columbia Department of Health). Including the fellowship, she has six years of experience working at state and local public health agencies as an epidemiologist, which included working on surveillance and investigation of chronic diseases, maternal and child health, and infectious diseases. Regarding public health emergency response and preparedness experiences, she participated in planning for emergency preparedness activities and conducted bio-surveillance during high profile events on the National Mall in Washington, DC. In addition, Jennifer has helped to conduct a Community Assessment for Public Health Emergency Response (CASPER) as well as employed the Social Vulnerability Index to study chronic respiratory diseases in St. Louis County.

Zachary Koch, Emergency Response Planner, St. Louis County Health Department. Zachary Koch has a Bachelor of Science in Cell and Molecular Biology and a Masters of Public Health from Saint Louis University where he concentrated on Biosecurity and Disaster Preparedness and Epidemiology. In February 2017, Koch started as a Program and Policy Specialist with the Jackson

County Health Department in located in Independence, Missouri. He later transitioned to the department's Emergency Response Planner where he developed plans, conducted exercises, and built working relationships with others planners in the state. In October 2018, Koch joined the Saint Louis County Health Department as an Emergency Response Planners.

Request for Reinstatement to Sub-Committee

Sub-Committee	Name	Agency
Hazardous Materials	Richard Siebold	Madison County, Illinois Haz-mat
Hazardous Materials	Timothy Dorsey	West County EMS and Fire Protection District

Request for Resignations/Removals

Sub-Committee	Name	Agency
Public Health	Cody Minks	St. Charles County Department of Health
Public Health	Andrea Kohring	Monroe County Department of Health
Public Health	Cindy Butler	Missouri Dept of Health and Senior Services
Public Health	Dylan Steigerwald	Jefferson County Department of Health
Urban Search and Rescue	Jeff Lane	St. Clair Special Emergency Services/Sauget FD

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve the Nominating Committee recommendations.