



AGENDA

ST. LOUIS AREA REGIONAL RESPONSE SYSTEM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tuesday, August 13, 2024– 9:00 AM

MEETING LOCATION:

St. Louis Fire Department Headquarters
1421 N Jefferson Ave, St. Louis, MO 63106

1. CALL TO ORDER BY SARAH RUSSELL
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, FROM THE JUNE 2024 MEETING
3. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - a. Remembrance of the Fallen SAMANTHA LEWIS
 - b. Program Updates SAMANTHA LEWIS
 - c. Welcome Packet, IPP, and THIRA/SPR Presentation SAROJA SCHWAGER
 - d. Subcommittee Reports SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRS
4. ACTION ITEMS
 - a. Approval of Nominations KEVIN SCHEIBE
5. OTHER BUSINESS
6. NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

**The next STARRS Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 10, 2024.
The meeting location is anticipated to be the SLFD HQ.**

**STARRS BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
Friday, June 14, 2024**

The meeting of the STARRS Board of Directors was called to virtual conference call, with those in attendance check-marked:

CATEGORY A

- Abe Cook
- Fred Patterson
- Herb Simmons
- Joann Leykam
- Michele Ryan
- Ryan Weber

CATEGORY B

- Barry Johnston
- Bryan Whitaker
- George Koranyi
- Jani Albright
- Kevin Scheibe
- Sarah Russell
- Warren Robinson

CATEGORY C

- Greg Brown
- Jeremy Hollrah
- Dennis Jenkerson
- Nick Allen
- Kurt Frisz
- Zach Koch
- Stephanie Norton
- Jen Smith
- Brian Gettemeier

FUSION CENTER

- Benjamin Granda
- SPECIAL**
- Nick Kohlberg
 - Kelly Rogers

**CATEGORY C
NON-VOTING**

- John Nowak
- Mike Arras
- Kyle Foerst
- Jerry Lohr
- Jocelyn Evans
- Sam Stephens
- Josh Wilderson
- Mike Digman

**EX OFFICIO
NON-VOTING**

- Jim Wild

Present = 15

Needed for Quorum = 13

ATTENDANCE:

Also in attendance were East-West Gateway Council of Governments/STARRS staff including Samantha Lewis, Rachel Mazzara, Saroja Schwager, Leah Watkins, Brian Marler, in addition to Dave Cathey (St. Charles Co PD), & Jim Farmer (MO SEMA).

Members excused in advance from this month's Board meeting include Dennis Jenkerson, Kevin Scheibe, George Koranyi, & Josh Wilderson.

CALL TO ORDER

Sarah Russell called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM. Attendance was recorded by virtual meeting attendance list. A quorum was confirmed by Brian Marler & Samantha Lewis.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sarah Russell requested approval of the May 2024 minutes which was motioned to approve by Greg Brown and was seconded by Abe Cook. The motion was carried unanimously and was approved at 9:02 AM.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

PROGRAM UPDATES

Samantha Lewis shared regional updates from STARRS, including the progress related to the Dense Urban Terrain (DUT) exercise - now also referred to by the military as the Quarterly Sustainment Training (CST) – sharing that the exercise is still set to occur July 15th through the 18th and that PIO partners are meeting soon to manage press releases. The Rehearsal of Concept meetings is coming up later in June as well. Sam also shared that Doodle polls were sent out recently related to the STARRS Board Ad-Hoc committees and results are due back soon. THIRA/SPR and IPP processes are approaching, likely to occur in August through October. Sam also shared information on upcoming ICS training in the region, specifically sharing information about the upcoming Elected Official class, and that an additional HSEEP class has been requested from the state of Missouri. Finally, Sam shared a short review of the week's activity related to the Hunter-Seeker exercise, and thanked the members present for their work related to it.

Ben Granda shared additional information related to the Hunter-Seeker exercise throughout the week, providing a summary of feedback from participants and thanks to the STARRS team and everyone involved in the event.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Zach Koch shared an update from the Public Health subcommittee, including updates on upcoming UASI purchases such as the upcoming AFN project and the satellite phone upgrade project. Chief Brown shared a brief update from the Comm Core Group subcommittee. Michele Ryan shared a brief update from the Emergency Management subcommittee. Jeremy shared that the EMS subcommittee meets next week. Kyle Foerst shared that the Healthcare Subcommittee is moving forward with their HSIN Community of Interest, establishing governance of the platform, and are using it for the month's Hunter-Seeker and MRSE exercises. Dave Cathey shared an update from the Law Enforcement subcommittee, thanking Ben Granda, Sam Lewis, Jeremy Hollrah & Hagarty Consulting for all of the work associated with the Hunter-Seeker exercise. Dave also shared that the committee continues to work on the upcoming DUT exercise planning, and that STARRS funded vests are due in about July 19. Kelly Rogers shared an update from the Mass Fatality subcommittee including an update from the Lambert Airport mass fatality exercise. Brian Gettemeier shared an update from the USAR subcommittee, sharing that the teams had rostered for recent events including water rescues and tornadoes. Brian also shared information on a structural collapse event in St. Charles County. Brian also shared info on a recent HAZMAT incident that reinforces the need for Special Teams to have immediate access UTVs to quickly move equipment and rescue victims under hazardous conditions. Sam Stephens shared a SLARCC update that included meeting with Saroja from STARRS on potential future UASI projects. Nick Kohlberg shared an HCC update that included closing out the fiscal year for the HPP grant and its requirements, including the MRSE exercise on June 27. That event now has nearly 150 participants. The group also continues coordination on the upcoming DUT exercise, including drills on patient transport.

ACTION ITEMS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Samantha Lewis shared information related to STARRS subcommittee membership additions and removals as described in the nominating committee memo. Fred Patterson motioned and was seconded by Michele Ryan. The motion carried and was approved at 9:20AM.

REGIONAL EXPENDITURES

Samantha Lewis provided a summary of regional expenditures for the month. Procurements include renewal of CLEAR PRO licensing for the Fusion Center, renewal of Recorded Future licensing related to the Fusion Center's Cybersecurity Initiative, and renewal of CobWebs licensing related to the Fusion Center's Domestic Violent Extremism program. The total cost of these expenditures from the UASI grant would not exceed \$250,200. A motion was made by Michele Ryan to accept the expenditures and was seconded by multiple individuals. The motion passed without opposition at 9:22AM.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sarah Russell thanked those present and the region for all their work associated with this week's Hunter-Seeker exercise.

NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the STARRS Board of Directors is scheduled for Tuesday, August 13, 2024. A motion to adjourn was made by Michelle Ryan and seconded by Chief Greg Brown. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:24 AM.

Sarah Russell



Memo to: Board of Directors
From: STARRS Staff
Subject: Nomination of Committee Appointments
Date: August 13, 2024

The Nominating Committee has approved the following subcommittee nominations, offering the following for board consideration and approval.

SUB-COMMITTEES

The Nominating Committee recommends the following additions to STARRS subcommittees:

- **Emergency Management Subcommittee** – Michael Thiemann, Metro West Fire Prot. District
- **Healthcare Subcommittee** – Sikander Bajwa, Crescent Home Health
- **Healthcare Subcommittee** – Danielle Lee, Missouri EMSC

The Nominating Committee recommends the following removals from STARRS subcommittees:

- **Healthcare Subcommittee** – Jason Campbell, Barnes-Jewish Hospital
- **Healthcare Subcommittee** – George Koranyi, Veterans Affairs Healthcare System
- **SLARCC** – Mike Pickerel, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

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