**Regional Parish OHSEP Director’s Monthly Meeting**

Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 10:00 AM

GOHSEP Over Watch, Baton Rouge, LA

**ATTENDEES**

Dick Gremillion**,** Neal Brown, Norman Pineda, Hector Villarreal, Collins Simoneaux, John Taylor, Lee John, Clay Rives, Teresa Basco, Pam Roussel, Kenneth Moore**,** Patrick Harvey, Christina Dayries, Robert Jump, Casey Tingle, James Waskom, Toni Rochelle

**WELCOME**

Joe Ganote called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM. He completed roll call and a quorum was established. He welcomed everyone.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Patrick Harvey made a motion to approve the minutes and Clay Rives seconded the motion. There was no opposition. The January 2020 minutes were approved.

**GOHSEP UPDATES**

James B. Waskom, Director

* Rehearsal Concept Drill was held last week with our State and Federal Partners for the upcoming Hurricane Season.
* Vice President Pence has been conducting weekly COVID-19 conference calls with Governor Edwards. Casey Tingle, Chris Guilbeaux and Director Waskom have also been on the calls.
* Congress passed and the President has signed an $8.3 billion package for COVID-19. Within the next ninety days $475 million will be pushed out to the states.
* Legislative Session began on yesterday. The following Bills were discussed:
* **HB73-** Representative Rodney Schamerhorn – Emergency Preparedness, First Responders and Electrical Alignment
* **HB105-** Representative Jerome Zeringue- Provides for the ordinary operating expenses of state government for Fiscal Year 2020-2021, House Bill Budget
* **HB268-** Representative Ken Brass- Emergency Preparedness: adds statewide civilian emergency dispatchers to the definition of “first responders” for certain purposes
* **HB319-** Representative Jerome Zeringue- Provides for the ordinary operating expenses of state government for Fiscal Year 2020-2021
* **HB437-** Representative Dustin Miller- Establishes the LA Commission on Security for the Faith Community
* **HB478-** Representative Barry Ivey- Establishes the State Cybersecurity and Information Technology Fund and dedicates revenues to the Fund
* **HB590-** Representative Mike Johnson- Public Lands\ State: Provides relative to the donation of equipment and personnel between two political subdivisions
* **HB633-** Representative Barbara Reich Freiberg - State employees: Provides for the mandatory training on cybersecurity awareness for all state and local employees, officials and contractors
* **HB636-** Representative Barry Ivey**-**Legislative Committees: Creates and provides for the Joint Legislative Committee on Technology and Cybersecurity

**Senate Bill 79-** Senator Mark Abraham

**FUNDS/FUNDING**:  Creates the Louisiana Cybersecurity Talent Initiative Fund for the purpose of funding degree and certificate programs in cybersecurity fields and the Cybersecurity Education Management Council to advise relative to the fund.

**Senate Bill 140-** Mike Reese

**INTERNET**:  Requires certain offices to report cyber incidents to secretary

of state**.**

**Senate Bill 398**- Senator Franklin J. Foil

**HOMELAND SECURITY**:  Provides for qualifications of volunteers to cyber response and recovery support efforts with the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness

**Senate Bill 399-** Senator Cleo Fields

**ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**:  Provides for reporting and notification of releases of certain materials that cause an emergency condition

**COVID-19 Updates**

LDH Representative\DOE Representative

* Dr. Guidry and Dr. Pratt briefed and answered questions concerning COVID-19
* PowerPoint Slides are attached

**State Wide Exercise**

Chris Guilbeaux**,** ADD Emergency Management, GOHSEP

* Chris briefed the group on the upcoming State Wide Exercise to be held in the STATE EOC April 1st - April 4th, DRX will be on the 3rd and 4th and concluding with Recovery on the 6th and 7th.

**FY 2020 EMPG Award Allocations\ FY 2020 SHSP \ UASI Information**

Christina Dayries, ADD Grants and Administration, GOHSEP

* Christian Dayries presented three scenarios for the FY2020 EMPG allocations to the parishes to the subcommittee for review. The committee recommended continuing the allocation of $25,000 per parish with the remaining based on population, which was option 2. A motion was made by Clay Rives to select Option 2; motion was seconded by Neal Brown. There was no opposition. The Option 2 allocation was approved.
* First Responders Meeting will be on March 17th.

**Open Discussion**

* Regional OHSEP Director’s Updates
* Next Meeting will be on April 14, 2020 at 10:00 am in the Over Watch

A motion to adjourn was made by, seconded by. Meeting was adjourned at 12 PM.