

Utah Communications Agency Network Executive Committee Meeting March 14, 2006

Present:

Steve Proctor, Executive Director, UCAN
Dave Bennett, Utah County Sheriff's Office
Dave Thomas, Summit County
Boyd Webb, Department of ITS
Steve McCarthy, Department of Transportation
Tim Cornia, Department of Public Safety
Ed Alter, State Treasurer
Tim Slocum, Department of Corrections
Dave Williams, Tooele County
Dan Pearson, South Jordan Police Department
Steve Foote, South Salt Lake Fire Department
Brent Ball, Summit County

Kathy Trees, UCAN
Jake Hunt, UCAN
Bob Wilenski, Ogden City
Jon Tait, Motorola
Chris Dunn, Salt Lake City Police Department
J.D. Lougee, Provo
Jim Rampton, South Davis Metro Fire
Russ Adair, Draper Police Department
Deborah Mecham, Weber Area 911
Sid Groll, DNR
John Pratt, DNR
Marco Rivera, Southwest Ambulance

Meeting was opened at 2:00 P.M. and conducted by Ed **Alter**.

Minutes from February 21, 2006 were approved. Steve **Foote** offered the motion to approve and Tim **Slocum** seconded it. Vote: All in favor.

Steve **Proctor** reviewed accomplishments, changes and system modifications from February 2006 to March 2006:

- Programming in Weber County is complete except for OPD and we provided their template.
- Alarm system partially installed at Cal Mountain.
- Replaced the gas line and generator at Clearfield.
- Programmed 100 new portables and mobiles for Taylorsville City.
- VECC requested console modifications of their emergency tone notification.
- Met with Utah County and Dave Bennett regarding the control link for the American Canyon Fork site. The County is taking the lead and UCAN is ready to install the site that link is in. A purchase order was issued to install the cabling.
- UCAN worked with Dave Williams to repair generators at Vernon Hills.
- Jake Hunt and Chairman Slater met with the Snowbasin Ski Patrol and they will join the system as full rate paying members with five radios. The Ski Patrol is a certified EMS provider and received a grant for their radios through the EMS Division of Health.
- A presentation was made in Schaumburg, IL to representatives from China in preparation for the 2008 Olympics.
- Completed testing with UDOT on northern area sites.

Dave **Thomas** assumed responsibilities from Ed **Alter** as Chairman.

Southwest Ambulance Proposal - Southwest Ambulance company will be the new service provided in Salt Lake City. They have previously offered to pay \$25.00 per month per ambulance in service. It was recommended that we get the Attorney Generals opinion due to

UCAN having other private companies on the system and their rate is \$28.00 per month per radio. Steve **Proctor** reported that he had a telephone conversation with Cheryl **Luke**/AG's Office. Cheryl recommended that UCAN have a rate that is fair, equitable and consistent with all users including Southwest Ambulance. Discussion commenced. Dan **Pearson** made a motion to have Southwest Ambulance pay the fee of \$28.00 per month, per ambulance so long as everything stays the way it is now. If any improvements or changes are requested then it will be reconsidered. Steve **Foote** seconded it. Vote: All in favor.

Steve **McCarthy**/UDOT requested coverage testing in the northern area sites. Jake **Hunt** and Dave **Hopkins**/UDOT conducted the test together. Jake **Hunt** said there was obviously a problem with Cache Valley and Logan Peak and those have since been fixed and the coverage is restored. In discussion with the foreman, they (the mobile users) will not switch to 800 MHz. The question is: How much money do we spend to provide coverage if the users aren't there? The only users in Cache Valley, Rich County or Box Elder are transit units driving through. Discussion commenced.

Dave **Thomas** requested that Steve **Proctor** do a feasibility study along I-15 to St. George to see what sites we would need, the cost and the potential customers that could be easily serviced from those sites. We need a cost estimate on the north to finish the build-out and the cost to go south along I-15. Then we can compare the north with the south and determine where we can get the most bang for our investment in building out and getting future users. It will also contribute to UCAN's overall mission to have a statewide system. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

State Users Equalize Rates - To enable state users to add radios in hopes of equalizing the rate to \$22.50. Sid **Groll**/Department of Natural Resources requested the Board to consider allowing them to add radios at a lower cost. Discussion commenced. The state equalization rates can only happen with the local entities incurring small increments to their budget. An analysis will be done and presented to the Board. DNR's request was denied.

Budget Modification/Site Construction - Steve **Proctor** passed out information on projects and finances and what has been completed. Discussion commenced. It was recommended to take \$200,000 from UCAN's uncommitted funds to off set the deficit in the project summary and prepare a specific estimate of housing costs. It depends on many factors. Upcoming sites we are unsure about are: Snowville, Hobble Creek, Daniels Canyon and Powder Mountain. Tim **Slocum** made the motion to fund the request of \$200,000 and put it in the current existing Board - approved projected budget summary for the northern Utah project. Dave **Bennett** seconded it. Vote: All in favor.

Audit Committee Report/Tim **Slocum** - Repair and maintenance and outside services should come back in-line. They are looking good and still positive but need to be monitored

Next meeting - April 18, 2006.

Tim **Slocum** made the motion to adjourn.