



**OHIO STATEWIDE INTEROPERABILITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
COM-L Subcommittee  
January 7, 2016  
MARCS Office, 4200 Surface Road, Columbus, Ohio**

A meeting of the COM-L Subcommittee was held on January 7, 2016 at the MARCS office in Columbus, Ohio. Eight (8) attendees were present and included Ken Johnson, Mike Koontz, Mike Santilli, Tom Swisher, John Grembowski, Tyler Wolfe, Dave Ruton, and Dick Miller. The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

Update on where we are: Ohio has had 7 COM-L classes with the last one being held in the Columbus area in October 2014. Ohio has had 5 COM-T classes with the last one being held in the Cleveland area in March 2013. A review of the class rosters was presented.

Next was the review of the SIEC documentation. Most significant was in the 04-21-10 and 10-16-13 minutes where the Ohio EMA agreed to provide certificates for the students who completed their task books and were to be recognized within Ohio as completing the course and the task book. We have a copy of the certificate issued from the 2013 timeframe, which will be part of what is provided to the SIEC at the upcoming March meeting. Also during this review, it was listed as to what meeting recognition was made which will also be provided during the upcoming meeting.

A list of completed task books was given and the committee reapproved the list and will be recommending to the full SIEC for approval. If approved by the SIEC, anyone not in receipt of a certificate will be issued one. Once approved, the list will be posted on the SIEC website so everyone will know who is recognized within Ohio.

Discussion on the original goal of allowing persons who complete the class to have a three year look back and a three year look forward for completing their task books. Everyone agreed to the need for the completion of the task books within this period. The Subcommittee will recommend to the SIEC that if anyone wants to complete their task books, they will have until the next SIEC meeting in 2016 to submit and complete their task books. If not, they will revert to a trained only list, and will not be recognized as a COM-L, COM-T or RADO within Ohio.

Discussion on the need for classes. The last COM-L class in Ohio only had five students. The original goal was to have enough COM-Ls in Ohio to address the need. Everyone in the room has only been used in their local area as a COM-L and has not been asked to participate in any other regions. The need for a class has always been handled by the SIEC. Pre-qualifications are required in order to register for the class. There are presently two classes scheduled in Ohio, one for March 1<sup>st</sup> thru March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Cleveland Fire Department Training Academy with Pete Greene heading up the class, and one in Cincinnati at the Hamilton County EMA on June 21<sup>st</sup> thru June 23<sup>rd</sup> with Lisa Jones heading up the class. Everyone agreed these classes will be held to the same standards. Everyone must meet the pre-requisites prior to enrolling, everyone will need to complete the class, and then if they want, they can submit their task books to the SIEC for recognition as a COM-L within Ohio.

Three task books were submitted with one being approved and the other two being sent back to the students for clarification and additional documentation. Everyone agreed it would be a great idea to bring the task books completed by Jim Sage and Scott Cerrito to the next SIEC. Everyone agreed to present Scott Cerrito to the next SIEC for recognition of completing his COM-L requirements.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Miller, Secretary  
Ohio Statewide Interoperable Executive Committee

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