



DU PAGE COUNTY

ETSB - Policy Advisory Committee

Draft Summary

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8:15 AM

Room 3500A

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1. CALL TO ORDER

8:15 AM meeting was called to order by Acting Chair Clark at 8:17 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

Attendees:

Linda Zerwin, DuPage Emergency Telephone System Board, non-voting Member

Gregg Taormina, DuPage Emergency Telephone System Board (Remote)

Eve Kraus, DuPage Emergency Telephone System Board (Remote)

Andres Gonzalez, DuPage Emergency Telephone System Board

Scott Bukovic, Westmont PD (Remote)

Jim Connolly, Village of Addison (Remote)

Colin Fleury, West Chicago PD (Remote)

Tom Gallahue, ILEAS (Remote)

Erik Maplethorpe, DU-COMM (Remote)

Bob Murr, College of DuPage (Remote)

On roll call, Members Clark, Benjamin, Burmeister, and Jansen were present, which constituted a quorum. Chair Selvik was absent. Member Fleury was present remotely, however, as a non-voting Member.

PRESENT	Benjamin, Burmeister, Clark, and Jansen
ABSENT	Selvik, and Fleury

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

4. CHAIR'S REMARKS - ACTING CHAIR CLARK

Acting Chair Clark thanked the Emergency Telephone System Board staff and Fire Focus Group members for advancing the Fire Radios project. He said good progress had been made over the last month, and there was light at the end of the tunnel. He thanked everyone who contributed.

5. MEMBERS' REMARKS

There were no Members' remarks.

6. CONSENT ITEMS**6.A. [25-1630](#)**

DEDIR System June Maintainer Report

On voice vote, all Members voted "Aye", motion carried.

Attachments: [Motorola System Manager Report June 2025](#)

RESULT:	ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE
MOVER:	Eric Burmeister
SECONDER:	Craig Jansen

6.B. [25-1631](#)

ETSB PAC Minutes - Regular Meeting - Monday, June 2, 2025

On voice vote, all Members voted "Aye", motion carried.

Attachments: [2025-02-06 PAC Minutes Summary](#)

RESULT:	ETSB RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE
MOVER:	Craig Jansen
SECONDER:	Eric Burmeister

7. COMMITTEE APPROVAL REQUIRED**7.A. [25-1636](#)**

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Emergency Telephone System Board of DuPage County and the Western Will County Communication Center (WESCOM) pursuant to Policy 911-005.2: Access to the DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System (DEDIR System).

Member Burmeister made a motion to approve, seconded by Member Jansen. Acting Chair Clark asked if there were any comments. Member Benjamin asked if offering access to DU Naperville FD1 and DU Naperville FD Fireground 1 required discussion with Naperville. Ms. Zerwin said that discussions about the permissions with Naperville had taken place and agreements were already in place. She said that this was the new form, and the Policy Advisory Committee had opened more talkgroups and provided opportunities for them to be added. Acting Chair Clark asked for any additional comments to which there were none.

On voice vote, all Members voted "Aye", motion carried.

Attachments: [WESCOM MOU executed 6.24.25_Redacted](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED AT COMMITTEE
MOVER:	Eric Burmeister
SECONDER:	Craig Jansen

7.B. [25-1637](#)

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Emergency Telephone System Board of DuPage County and the Northlake Police Department pursuant to Policy 911-005.2: Access to the DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System (DEDIR System).

Acting Chair Clark asked if there were any comments and said it looked like the item included all the interoperable channels in addition to Bensenville and Elmhurst Local. There were no further comments. On voice vote, all Members voted “Aye”, motion carried.

Attachments: [Northlake PD DEDIR System Access Application \(Modification\)](#)
[Northlake PD MOU executed 6.24.25_Redacted](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED AT COMMITTEE
MOVER:	Eric Burmeister
SECONDER:	Tyler Benjamin

7.C. [25-1638](#)

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Emergency Telephone System Board of DuPage County and the Westchester Police Department pursuant to Policy 911-005.2: Access to the DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System (DEDIR System).

Acting Chair Clark asked if there were any comments, to which there were none. On voice vote, all Members voted “Aye”, motion carried.

Attachments: [Westchester PD Application](#)
[Westchester PD MOU executed 6.24.25_Redacted](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED AT COMMITTEE
MOVER:	Tyler Benjamin
SECONDER:	Craig Jansen

7.D. [25-1639](#)

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Emergency Telephone System Board of DuPage County and the Northwest Central Dispatch Center pursuant to Policy 911-005.2: Access to the DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System (DEDIR System).

Member Burmeister made a motion to approve, seconded by Member Jansen. Member Burmeister recommended the item be amended to include a couple of Fire channels. Acting Chair Clark agreed and said FD2, FD North, FD East, FD Ops 22, East 2, East 3, and North 2 should be added, and that North 1 and 3 were already included. Member Burmeister confirmed. Acting Chair Clark said the goal was to include East 1, 2, 3 and North 1, 2, 3. He said the amendment essentially granted access to FD2, FD North, FD East, and their associated OPS channel groups.

Acting Chair Clark asked if there were any other comments and asked for a motion to amend. Member Benjamin made a motion to approve as amended, seconded by Member Jansen.

On voice vote, all Members voted “Aye”, motion carried.

Attachments: [NWCD DEDIRS Application modification_Redacted](#)
 [NWCD MOU executed 6.24.25_Redacted](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED
MOVER:	Tyler Benjamin
SECONDER:	Craig Jansen

7.E. [25-1640](#)

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Emergency Telephone System Board of DuPage County and the Illinois State Police pursuant to Policy 911-005.2: Access to the DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System (DEDIR System).

Acting Chair Clark opened discussion and said that a concern had been expressed by Fire Focus Group member Connolly, that talkgroup 3D02 was not included in the MOU, and that talkgroup had been recommended by the State Police. He said he did not have firsthand knowledge of what that meant.

Ms. Zerwin said it was not on the list and confirmed it had come from the State Police. Acting Chair Clark said he was unsure if they had the authority to tell the State Police what to include. Ms. Zerwin said their talkgroups could not be added and recommended approving the item “as is” and following up with the State Police to bring it back the following month. Acting Chair Clark agreed. Member Burmeister said they could request it from the State Police. There was no further discussion.

On voice vote, all Members voted “Aye”, motion carried.

Attachments: [DuPage ETSB to ISP MOU_Redacted](#)
 [ISP to DuPage ETSB MOU_Redacted](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED AT COMMITTEE
MOVER:	Eric Burmeister
SECONDER:	Tyler Benjamin

7.F. [25-1661](#)

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Emergency Telephone System Board of DuPage County and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority pursuant to Policy 911-005.2: Access to the DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System (DEDIR System).

Chair Clark said this item had a similar situation where a talkgroup included in the template was not listed in the MOU, and said follow up with the Tollway would be needed on that element. Member Burmeister agreed. Ms. Zerwin asked which talkgroup was needed from the Tollway. Acting Chair Clark said it was Tollway Reach. He confirmed there was a motion on the floor and called the vote to adopt the motion as originally presented.

On voice vote, all Members voted “Aye”, motion carried.

Attachments: [Outside Agency CKR MOU Tollway_Redacted](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED AT COMMITTEE
MOVER:	Eric Burmeister
SECONDER:	Craig Jansen

7.G. [25-1642](#)

Lombard Police Department WAVE Application

Acting Chair Clark said Lombard Police were looking to utilize WAVE and asked if there were any comments to which there were none. On voice vote, all Members voted “Aye”, motion carried.

Attachments: [911-005.11 WAVE Use on DEDIRS Attachment A LOP signed_Redacted](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED AT COMMITTEE
MOVER:	Eric Burmeister
SECONDER:	Tyler Benjamin

8. PARENT COMMITTEE APPROVAL REQUIRED

8.A. [ETS-R-0034-25](#)

Resolution to approve access to the DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System (DEDIR System) talk groups pursuant to Policy 911-005.2: Access to the DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System, as requested by the Regional Emergency Dispatch Center.

Member Burmeister made a motion to recommend approval to the ETS Board, seconded by Member Jansen. Acting Chair Clark asked if there was any discussion. Member Benjamin said he recognized the item concerned an old policy, but since it was open for discussion, he wanted to address Section 5, which dealt with matters of policy. He said it would be cleaner and more respectful to the Police and Fire Chiefs who set DU-COMM's policy if Section 5 were removed and replaced with a phrase such as "actions will be taken according to PSAP policy."

Ms. Zerwin clarified the current item under discussion was for Red Center. Member Benjamin apologized for his confusion.

Ms. Zerwin explained that modifications could be handled in committee, but a new application, such as Red Center's, had to go to the ETS Board. Acting Chair Clark said Red Center was requesting all the interoperable channels, and in exchange, would allow the use of several of its talkgroups. Acting Chair Clark asked if there were any other comments on the Red Center application. Hearing none, he called the vote.

On voice vote, all Members voted "Aye" to recommend approval to the ETS Board, motion carried.

Attachments: [Red Center MOU executed 6.24.25_Redacted](#)

RESULT:	ETSB RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL
MOVER:	Eric Burmeister
SECONDER:	Craig Jansen

8.B. [ETS-R-0035-25](#)

Resolution to approve access to the DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System (DEDIR System) talk groups pursuant to Policy 911-005.2: Access to the DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System, as requested by the Rosemont Public Safety Department.

Acting Chair Clark asked if there was any discussion. Hearing none, he called the vote. On voice vote, all Members voted "Aye" to recommend approval to the ETS Board, motion carried.

Attachments: [Rosemont Du Page Application 6.26.25 Redacted](#)
[Rosemont DuPage MOU Executed Redacted](#)
[Bensenville Letter Redacted](#)

RESULT:	ETSB RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL
MOVER:	Tyler Benjamin
SECONDER:	Eric Burmeister

9. DEDIR SYSTEM

9.A. [25-1641](#)

July DEDIR System Update

Ms. Zerwin acknowledged there were questions about the report and said the goal was to have Fire Chiefs attend the next podcast on July 22 in person, though a Zoom link would still be available. At that meeting, two test radios would be distributed to the Fire Chiefs, and there would be discussion on mobile radio options. She said they were reaching a point where off-brand solutions might be necessary, and input from the Fire Chiefs would be needed.

Ms. Zerwin said Motorola had asked for a freeze on changes to begin programming radios, and the Fire Focus Group had done well with testing, although with over 100 talkgroups, complete testing was difficult. She said the Chiefs would have the chance to test and review the programming, and additional talkgroups could be considered in a later phase.

Acting Chair Clark said the intent was for the Chiefs to confirm that their user-selectable or agency-selectable items had been programmed correctly and to test their day-to-day operations with mutual aid partners. He said it should not take long. Ms. Zerwin added that two weeks should be sufficient.

Attachments: [DEDIR System Update - 07 2025.pdf](#)

9.B. [25-1680](#)

Discussion of Policy 911-005.6: DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System (DEDIR System) Emergency Button.

Ms. Zerwin said the Policy had previously been tabled at the PAC's request until Fire radios were available for operational review. She said it was now being brought back for discussion, as updates and training materials needed to be finalized. She explained that there were accompanying training slides for emergency button usage that would need revision before distribution.

Acting Chair Clark invited comments. Member Benjamin acknowledged he had spoken out of order earlier but now clarified his concerns with Section 5 of the Policy. He said it contained operational content that should be governed by Police and Fire Chiefs through

their respective committees, not by ETSB Policy. He recommended replacing the section with a general statement that actions would follow PSAP governance or local agency procedures.

Acting Chair Clark questioned how emergency activations worked across PSAPs. Member Burmeister said both PSAPs receive the alerts. Member Benjamin said DU-COMM does not receive ACDC's audible alerts, only a visual indication. Member Burmeister emphasized that the accidental activation section was critical to ensure agencies interpreted alerts correctly, especially when mutual aid is involved. He said not using the word "accidental" could cause confusion and response as if it were a real incident. Member Benjamin agreed with the need for the term "accidental" but reiterated that Chiefs should retain control over operational terms and procedures. Acting Chair Clark agreed that policies between PSAPs should not conflict and that collaborative language should be developed. Member Benjamin suggested that he and Member Burmeister work together on shared language. Acting Chair Clark said that was his recommendation and Member Burmeister agreed.

Ms. Zerwin noted that the radio system is standardized and said STARCOM's procedures for emergency button activation should be reviewed as well. She said she would review state-level guidance to ensure compliance. Member Fleury asked why the policy was part of ETSB governance rather than local chief authority. Ms. Zerwin said the original 2018 policy created by chiefs aimed to create standardization across the system.

Acting Chair Clark said discussion should continue and suggested that once agreement was reached on changes, the Chiefs should review the language. Ms. Zerwin said the policy would come back with recommended language changes and emphasized that annual emergency button training would remain required. She encouraged Members to send revisions to Mr. Gonzalez so they could be incorporated into a redlined draft. Acting Chair Clark concluded by saying the policy would likely return as a discussion item on the next agenda.

Attachments: [911-005.6 DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System \(DEDIRS\) Emergency Button draft](#)
[911-005.6 DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System \(DEDIRS\) Emergency Button redline draft](#)

9.C. Police

Ms. Zerwin said the Police Focus Group did not meet last month, so aside from work related to encryption, there was nothing else to report.

9.D. Fire

Ms. Zerwin said there was nothing else to report.

10. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

11. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

12. ADJOURNMENT**12.A. Next Meeting: Monday, August 4 at 8:15am in Room 3-500A**

Member Benjamin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 am, seconded by Member Jansen. On voice vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Andres Gonzalez