DU PAGE COUNTY

ETSB - Policy Advisory Committee

Draft Summary

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Monday, September 8, 2025 **8:15 AM** **Room 3500A**

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1. CALL TO ORDER

8:15 AM meeting was called to order by Chair Selvik at 8:15 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

Attendees:
Linda Zerwin, DuPage Emergency Telephone System Board, non-voting Member (Remote)
Gregg Taormina, DuPage Emergency Telephone System Board (Remote)
Eve Kraus, DuPage Emergency Telephone System Board (Remote)
Andres Gonzalez, DuPage Emergency Telephone System Board
Jan Barbeau, State's Attorney's Office (Remote)
Jim Connolly, Village of Addison (Remote)
Craig Gomorczak, Lisle PD (Remote)
Marilu Hernandez, ACDC (Remote)
Bob Murr, College of DuPage (Remote)
Michael Rodriguez, Lisle PD (Remote)
Richard Sanborn Jr., York Center FPD (Remote)

On roll call, Members Benjamin, Burmeister, Clark, Jansen and Selvik were present, which constituted a quorum. Member Fleury (8:26 am) was absent at the time of roll call.

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

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

4. CHAIR'S REMARKS - CHAIR SELVIK

There were no remarks from Chair Selvik.

5. MEMBERS' REMARKS

Vice Chair Clark said he wanted to commend the ETSB on the beginning of the rollout for the Fire radios. He said so far things had been going smoothly and it was good to see progress.

6. CONSENT ITEMS

6.A. **25-2115**

DEDIR System August Maintainer Report

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

Attachments: Motorola System Manager Report August

RESULT:	ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE
MOVER:	Eric Burmeister
SECONDER:	Tyler Benjamin

6.B. **25-2116**

ETSB PAC Minutes - Regular Meeting - Monday, August 4, 2025

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

Attachments: 2025-08-04 PAC Minutes Summary

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

7. COMMITTEE APPROVAL REQUIRED

7.A. **25-2117**

Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding Modification between the Emergency Telephone System Board of DuPage County and the Hinsdale Township High School District 86 pursuant to Policy 911-005.2: Access to the DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System (DEDIR System), and 911-005.9: Access to DEDIR System Non-Public Safety / School Security.

Chair Selvik said the 14 day notification period was completed with no objections.
On voice vote, all Members voted 'Aye', motion carried.

Attachments: DEDIRS Modification Hinsdale HS 8.7.25_Redacted

RESULT:	APPROVED AT COMMITTEE
MOVER:	Chris Clark
SECONDER:	Tyler Benjamin

8. DEDIR SYSTEM

8.A. **25-2119**

September DEDIR System Update

Executive Director Zerwin said so far, all the ACDC Fire agencies APXNext XN radios were rolled out except Addison, which was scheduled for that week. She said the ETSB planned to proceed with a letter of intent, certification, and fleetmap so radios could be distributed in good faith to the IGA process for DU-COMM agencies. Executive Director Zerwin said the schedule for bringing in Police departments to start encryption on those radios would be coming up shortly. She asked Mr. Gonzalez to show the status of certifications and fleetmaps for Police agencies and said those were starting to come in slowly as well. She emphasized that the focus remained on getting Fire radios out first.

Executive Director Zerwin said DU-COMM will have to redo the IGA for Police agencies and that certifications would be added to the files for ACDC agencies. She said the Police would also be receiving new fleetmaps, and if there were any alias changes or final changes to their agency banks or user select banks, they could be made as the radios were brought in and final encryption was completed.

Attachments: DEDIR System Update - 09 2025

8.B. **25-2129**

Discussion of Policy 911-005.8: DEDIR System Subscriber Unit Requirements.

Executive Director Zerwin explained that Policy 911-005.8 allowed the ETSB to amend the accessories list without board approval. She said an updated equipment list for the APXNext XN radios would be added and distributed on the Policy board and on the podcast. Vice Chair Clark said he was concerned the Policy seemed to restrict holsters to the Boston leather option and asked if other protective cases would be acceptable.

Executive Director Zerwin said the concern was mainly about protecting the screen, chiefs could choose what to use, and ETSB only provided the approved list. She said more options would likely become available over time. Vice Chair Clark said he wanted to confirm that other holsters that protected the display would be acceptable, and Executive Director Zerwin said it depended on how the radio was held and reminded him holsters were not part of NFPA certification. She said the ETSB did not provide holsters, only on initial deployment.

Chair Selvik said chiefs could submit requests for other accessories to the PAC for consideration. Vice Chair Clark said many preferred non-leather holsters for cleaning bloodborne pathogens. Executive Director Zerwin said that could be considered but stressed the policy remained limited to the list of approved equipment which included a plastic holster.

Member Fleury arrived at 8:26 a.m.

Attachments: 911-005.8 DEDIR System Subscriber Unit Requirements
ETS-R-0015-23 executed_Redacted

8.C. **25-2157**

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

Member Burmeister said that he and Member Tyler had met to discuss the matter. He said ACDC had no issue with the initial policy as written by ETSB, but he understood DU-COMM had some operational needs. Member Tyler said DU-COMM's proposal was that the PSAPs exchange policies and keep each other informed, rather than having a single overarching policy. He said neither of the PSAP policy aligned exactly with the ETSB policy and that it was better to leave it open-ended as long as there was communication. He said Chiefs governed DU-COMM's operations, and if a police or fire Chief wanted to change how emergency button activations were handled, he could not stop them.

Member Burmeister said the PSAPs had already exchanged their policies. Member Jansen said his concern was consistency, asking if both PSAPs operated the same way so agencies moving between centers would not face differences. Chair Selvik said the same concern applied even without a switch, since the centers served as backups for each other during mutual aid. He asked if there were differences in how the PSAPs handled activations. Member Tyler said the code word for false activations was the same, but how telecommunicators contacted users was different. He said he was not concerned with strict uniformity as long as PSAPs kept each other informed. He said mutual aid already presented unknowns with agencies outside the System. He said as far as having black and white language that would tell police and fire Chiefs how they must respond and not allow them to change it, "I don't see how I could bring that to them". Executive Director Zerwin said the IGA for the DEDIR System required agencies to follow the system, and that superseded any internal policy.

Chair Selvik said the bigger question was whether this was a PSAP issue or one that required standardization across the system. He said consistency was important for dispatchers and Chiefs should not dictate conflicting practices. Member Tyler said the policy as drafted was operational, not technological, and that Chiefs might want stricter procedures in the future. He said ETSB policy should not prevent that flexibility. Executive Director Zerwin said such changes should come to PAC, since its purpose was to create standardized system policies. She said once an incident was dispatched, agency response was operational, but the emergency button process was written by Chiefs for consistency and safety.

Vice Chair Clark said he was concerned that if ETSB dictated procedures for the emergency button, it might extend into other operational areas. Executive Director Zerwin said ETSB did not want to go that deep but the Chiefs had asked for consistency. Chair Selvik said he supported consistency, noting the policy had been adopted in 2018 and should evolve but remain standardized. He said whether there was one policy or separate PSAP policies, both should still come through PAC for review.

Member Fleury said he feared that allowing each PSAP to set its own rules would create confusion for dispatchers. He said this might be more of a PSAP issue than an ETSB issue but cautioned against going too far down that path. Vice Chair Clark said the policy might include too much detail and should be broader. Member Fleury said any technological change would also force constant revisions. Vice Chair Clark agreed that room layout and console positions could affect operational details, so ETSB policy should remain broad.

Executive Director Zerwin said the intent of the policy was officer and firefighter safety and ensuring consistent expectations. She said differing practices could cause delays and confusion, and that the Policy Advisory Committee was designed to provide standardized guidance for how the interoperable radio system was used.

Attachments: 911-005.6 DEDIRS Use of Emergency Button executed 11.9.22_Redacted
911-005.6 DuPage Emergency Dispatch Interoperable Radio System (DEDIRS) Emergency Button redline

9. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

10. NEW BUSINESS

Vice Chair Clark said he had a report. He said they were working to schedule a Fire Focus Group meeting to discuss mobile radios, which would also apply to some police mobile radios. He said the vendor had generally been determined, but each radio had different options, and it was important to make sure the correct ones were ordered. He said they hoped to finalize the decisions in the next couple of weeks so the order would be correct the first time. He said the expected delivery date from the vendor was around January, and they were trying to stay ahead of the process as much as possible.

11. ADJOURNMENT

11.A. Next Meeting: Monday, October 6 at 8:15am in Room 3-500A

Member Tyler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 am, seconded by Member Burmeister. On voice vote, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Andres Gonzalez