

**ORLEANS PARISH COMMUNICATION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**SPECIAL MEETING  
TUESDAY  
June 26, 2018 - 2:00pm  
OPCD McDaniels Board Room  
118 City Park Avenue  
New Orleans, LA**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**I. ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Col. Terry Ebbert called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm.  
Ms. Ausetua AmorAmenkum called the roll with the following members present:

Chairman Col. Terry Ebbert, Vice Chairman Dr. Brobson Lutz, CAO Gilbert Mantaño, Supt. Timothy McConnell, Supt. Michael Harrison (Deputy Chief Paul Noel proxy), Dr. Emily Nichols (Carl Flores proxy), Mr. Collin Arnold, Ms. Francis Lawless.

Captain Donovan Archote, CEO. William Masterton, and Maj. General Glenn Curtis were absent.

**II. 2018 BUDGET CHANGES**

Executive Director Stephen Gordon advised the Board of the changes for the 2018 budget as recommended by the Finance Committee. Director Gordon met with Finance Committee members Director Ross Bourgeois, Lt. Stelly, Deputy Chief Roman Nelson, and Jonathan Wisby (CNO). From that meeting, Director Gordon advised the Board of the following budget changes:

Changes to the Capitol Budget

- Motorola Computer Aid Dispatch Upgrade was changed from \$469,000 to \$120,000
- Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) CAD implementation cost of \$156,000 was added to the budget
- NICE software purchase for OPCD OPS, \$240,000 added to the budget
- \$20,000 added for replacement purchases of PSAP 24/7 chairs

Eliminated Items from 2018 Budget

- Motor vehicle budget - \$25,000
- Office furniture and equipment - \$30,000

- Reconfiguration of the Command Desk – \$100,000
- Architectural plans for Roman Capitol Building - \$50,000

Item Added to the 2018 Budget

- Phase IV of CAD for 4<sup>th</sup> floor at RTCC, architectural/engineering plans for possible location of permanent back-up center - \$150, 000.

Director Gordon concluded that the adjustments made to the Capitol Budget allow for the purchase of the NICE software and to pay for plans for a permanent 9-1-1 backup center, which are both needed projects.

OPS Director Tyrell Morris assured the Board that the process of purchasing the NICE software is under the rules of the General Services Administration (GSA) guidelines, and OPCD has received the required purchase approval from the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP).

A short discussion followed about the necessity of purchasing the NICE program. Director Morris gave a short overview of the advantages of using the software and its anticipated effects on operational efficiency regarding quality assurance.

### **III. ADOPT RESOLUTION 18-05 – AMENDMENT TO 2018 BUDGET**

Board Chair Ebbert called for the adoption of Resolution 18-05; it was moved for adoption by Carl Flores and seconded by Deputy Chief Paul Noel; the motion was unanimously adopted

### **IV. OLD BUISNESS**

Board Chair Ebbert requested Executive Director Stephen Gordon give the new Board members a brief history of 9-1-1 operations. Director Gordon reviewed OPCD history from multiple agency PSAPs, to agency co-location at OPCD, to agency consolidation under OPCD.

### **V. ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Lutz and second by Deputy Chief Paul Noel. The meeting ended at 3:00pm.

Submitted By



Tyrell Morris  
OPCD Executive Director