



# COLORADO

## Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management

Department of Public Safety

### MEETING MINUTES

Purpose: HSAC Cybersecurity Advisory Committee

Date: January 3, 2024

Time: 10- 11 a.m.

Location: Google Meet (<https://meet.google.com/qsc-fxn-h-tux>)

### Roll Call and Quorum

Voting Members (20)

Name	Agency	Present	Absent
Benjamin Edelen	County of Boulder	•	
Brandon Beaudette	Roaring Forks School District		•
Daniel Dockendorf	Adams School District K-12		•
David Cutler	Colorado National Guard	•	
Dolgio Nergui	County of Ouray		•
Eric Bates	West Metro Fire Department		•
Eric Dowdy	Fort Collins-Loveland Water	•	
Gretchen Bliss	University of Colorado at Colorado Springs	•	
Jay Britt	City of Greeley		•
Jill Fraser / Craig Hunter	OIT	•	
Joe Milliken	City of Westminster	•	
Joshua Creese	Vail Health		•
JR Noble	South Metro Fire Department	•	
Kevin McElyea / Marcus Bagley	CDPS	•	
Michelle Deland	Northcentral Region Health Care Coalition	•	
Rich Schliep	Secretary of State	•	
Robert Losinski	Denver School District		•
Shane McGuinness	Gunnison County Electric Association	•	
Susan Halterman	County of Teller		•
Thomas Johnson	County of Grand		•

### Committee Business

- Roll Call and Quorum (Quorum Not Achieved)

- Motion to accept December minutes - Rich, accepted

## Discussion

- Grant Program Update
  - o Austin G.
    - 2022 grant funds are obligated and contracts have been routed. Crowdstrike enrollment will commence afterwards
    - 2023 funds - developing draft application format.
  - o Jill F. - Who will be tracking the 2023 funds allocation
  - o Austin G. - will be doing selection in the latter part of April. OIT maintains its current relationship with Crowdstrike
  - o Concern that grant funds are not creating the shift that we are hoping to see in local gov
  - o We are hoping to deliver the majority of the funds to continued and new crowdstrike needs of applying locals. The microgrant opportunity is just a backup so we don't leave money on the table.
  - o We are really hoping to find a way to influence the state to create a permanent solution which will get EDR onto government endpoints in all of Colorado, rather than the challenges we are facing with applications, allocation, priority, etc.
  - o JR Noble - consider earmarking funds to create a statewide SOC
  - o Jill F. - adding more tasks feels like a "spaghetti against the wall" approach, lets not just approve the request and look at what we could do
  - o Scott K. - Consider making a move to .gov a condition of the funding, would make a shift, maybe even just a declaration of intent.
  - o Dolgio - its very attractive to have the state run an XDR program - if funds are used for many solutions, it detracts from the impact of a single state contracted solution
  - o Local governments are patiently waiting for the solution to start. Really hoping the possibility of a state run solution does not fade away.
  - o Nicole Cantrell - Concern that the state has not seen a plan, how can we help make people sustainable and independent, consider not voting to move forward with the application yet
  - o Can we consider having a contractor come in to develop more of the CIAC's activities related to statewide cyber
  - o Request for the CIAC to bring a roadmap or service catalog to the committee
  - o Charlie M. - Regularly runs into people who have not heard about the crowdstrike opportunity
  - o Austin G. - There are many ways to address the priorities of the group using grant funding. We can develop a grant application that incorporates all of the ideas from this meeting
  - o Rich S. - Lets get the CIAC's plan in front of the sec of state's security meeting. It's a big issue to figure out how the funding moves the whole thing forward. There is a drag on .gov update

- o Jill F. - It's possible that the 2025 NCSR will provide full access to answers to the Feds. This means we may not want to encourage the NCSR without full knowledge.

## Proposed Next Agenda

- Review of proposed grant application
- Development of bullet points for a “Declaration of Intent” for applicants, to help drive a bigger strategy
- Carryover Items:
  - o Potential of Emergency Management integration with Cyber Incident Management, how can this committee help integrate and mature this in Colorado?
  - o Potential of expanding on existing efforts to ensure sector updates and efforts are communicated to interested parties, maybe utilizing CIAC?
  - o How can we expand information on the website for this committee to provide additional value? What use case and content is desired?