Meeting Minutes

Purpose: HSAC Cybersecurity Advisory Committee
Date: April 2, 2025
Members Present:

Benjamin Edelen (Chair)
Brandon Beaudette
Cathrine Olimb
David Cutler
Dolgio Nergui
Eric Bates (Primary) / Levi Valdez (Secondary)
Eric Dowdy
Joe Milliken
JR Noble
Kevin McElyea (Primary) / Anthony Davis (Secondary)
Shane McGuinness

Members Absent:

Daniel Dockendorf
Gretchen Bliss (Primary) / Kiti Hall (Secondary)
Jay Britt
Jill Fraser (Primary) / Craig Hurter (Secondary)
Joshua Creese
Michelle Deland
Susan Halterman
Thomas Johnson (Secretary)

Committee Business

10:00 - 10:07 a.m.   Roll call and quorum. Quorum achieved.

10:08 – 10:09 a.m.   Adopted the minutes from February

10:10 – 10:55 a.m.   General Group Updates

- SLCGP – Year 1, 2 & 3 (FY 22, 23 & 24) – Mary noted grant required needs assessment by grant
- Review Crowdstrike license use from SLCGP & possibly MS ISAC
- Potential future federal funding for cybersecurity; favorable Congressional support during hearings; may use strategy to push priority to states

- MS ISAC – stop funding/work order; state now devising new plans for essential funding; CISA planning;
- Support for essential service of threat intelligence not supplied by CISA; potential for state to provide; please join Thursday Partner Calls & subscribe to CIAC Threat Intelligence service
- EI – ISAC – not operational (elections ISAC); CISA not support;
- Elected Officials – inform about need for funding for Cybersecurity needs
- Define difference CISA vs. MS ISAC
    - MS ISAC
        - Original source for threat intelligence
        - CISA uses MS ISAC (33 %) of data originated/issued/collected by MS ISAC
- Share knowledge of communities and practices at meetings

10:56 – 11:00 a.m.   Define Next Agenda

- Update from Jill about funding for Year 1, 2, and 3.
- Continue review and discussion on cybersecurity metrics.
- Assessment work
- New funding and operational priorities
- Building community for cybersecurity
- Whole of State build local connections
- Drive or recruit local agencies to join communities/committees (other states require participation in groups in order to be funded under SLCGP or other grants)