**Meeting Minutes**

January 25th, 2024 at 12pm EST

**Voting Members Present:**

Andrew VanZee, Indiana Hospital Association

Brad Hagg, Indiana Department of Education

Craig Jackson, Indiana University

Hemant Jain, Indiana Office of Technology CISO

Jeremy Stevens, Howard County

Joel Thacker, Indiana Department of Homeland Security Executive Director

Kent Kroft, Tippecanoe County

Lisa Cannon, Madison County

Timothy Renick, City of Carmel

Tony Peffley, Elkhart County

Tracy Barnes, Indiana Office of Technology CIO

Vernon Lutz, City of Evansville/ Vanderburgh County

**Advisory Members Present:**

Chetrice Mosley-Romero, IECC

David Cartmel, IOT

David Steward, Indiana Supreme Court

Graig Lubsen, IOT

Jacob Blasdel, Indiana Bond Bank (advisory)

J.D. Henry, DHS/CISA

Kim Snyder, IDHS

Stephanie Yager, IACC

Tad Stahl, IOT

**Members Not Present:**

Aaron Hyden, MSD of Wabash County

Amy Lindsey, Franklin County

Becca McCuaig, AIM

Jonathan Whitham, IDHS

Joshua Kiilu, IDHS

Mat Trampski, Purdue University

Ryan Hoff, AIC

**Call to Order and Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 12:05pm by Chair Tracy Barnes. Gideon Bower called roll and announced a quorum.

**Approval of November Minutes**

* A motion was made by Joel Thacker to approve the November minutes with amendment clarifying “student devices” as what will not be receiving CrowdStrike licenses.
* Motion seconded by Andrew VanZee.
* Motion was approved unanimously via voice vote.
* Motion carried.

**Introduction**

* Brett Edstene introduced to the committee as the new IOT Local Government Program Director.

**Review Projects Progress**

Endpoint Modernization

* David Cartmel outlined the budget for SLCGP funds, informing the committee that the current estimated breakdown for services is around 27% rural for CrowdStrike and 41% rural for KnowBe4.
* JD Henry suggested that we could make that metric clearer by specifying how many rural governments are receiving licenses as opposed to the number of licenses being received by each as they will use less overall than an urban government will.
* Tracy commented on the need for a consistent list of Local Government Entities and Hemant suggested that we create a definitive list to allow us to measure distribution metrics more accurately.
* David discussed phase 1 of endpoint modernization. All but one consent letter have been received.
* Information has been submitted to DHS/FEMA for approval and a deployment process has been developed. User sessions have also been scheduled.
* David informed the committee that there has been considerable interest for ongoing growth, suggesting that the total licenses could grow to 100,000+ as early as phase 2.
* The February town hall planned to discuss round two registration has already garnered significant interest with 150 registrations.
* No online registration is available yet for round 2 and interest is currently being gauged in the same way as round 1 until the online registration becomes available.
* David Cartmel outlined a rough timeline for phase 2.
* Jeremy Stevens inquired about the source of the data for the CrowdStrike evaluation with Hemant clarifying that IOT will be collecting non-identifying aggregate data to report to federal agencies.

Workforce Awareness

* David informed the committee of a pending plan for marketing and consent letter fulfillment.
* Expecting an estimated 200,000 licenses plus growth over the contract period.
* Jeremy Stevens asked about what would need to be completed to apply for KnowBe4 services. David and Hemant answered that each local government entity would need to fill out both the NCSR and the consent and interest forms.
* David presented a rough outline of the timeline and workflow for the KnowBe4 rollout through the SLCGP.
* Hemant spoke on the benefits of the NCSR separate from the SLCGP grant.

Advanced Cybersecurity Training

* David informed the committee that the goal is to have the advanced training finalized and ready for a vote by the March meeting. He communicated interest in offering more advanced training but also mentioned the additional standards that would make such an offering more difficult to implement.
* Tad highlighted the importance of the February town hall for our three main initiatives.

Other Projects

* David stated that procurement for the MFA pilot is on hold to accommodate project scope finalization.
* Craig Jackson spoke on the importance of the MFA and the need to follow up on the project.
* David, Hemant, and Craig discussed the complicated nature of implementing MFA across the state, citing some issues with locals not liking the added inconvenience of using MFA.
* Hemant stated that different entities will require different solutions.
* Tracy suggested offering and MFA service through the QPA to serve as a possible solution to the issue.
* Brad Hagg mentioned Privileged Access Management as the next step in security after MFA.
* Kent Kroft mentioned the State police expectation of MFA within secured buildings and networks.
* David Cartmel addressed the June 4th cybersecurity summit sponsored by GovTech.
* Chetrice Mosley-Romero stated that CISA agrees to be involved and that they are planning to do a tabletop. They have already seen interest from multiple agencies.
* David Cartmel said that with election season approaching, there would be a need for incident response training such as live tabletop training exercises. This may be a separate event at the June conference.

**IU/PU Assessment Update**

* Craig Jackson provided an update on the IU/PU assessment. He presented the first five pages of the report.
* Craig informed the committee that the goal of the report is to help agencies evaluate and make improvements but to also inform decisions of committees like the SLCGP.
* Craig discussed a few key takeaways from the report. Of 23 assessments, senior organizational leadership was only involved in cybersecurity decisions in about half of the evaluated groups. Of the most effective tools offered, very few have been broadly implemented.
* The study has also begun to measure impact metrics to assess to some extent how effective the project has been.
* The sample size of the assessment has so far been limited.
* Craig informed the committee that it would likely be 2 years before they would start reassessments to allow those who participated to update their policies.

**Federal Update**

* J.D. Henry addressed NCSR awareness, ensuring that people know when the submission window closes and receiving submissions before that deadline.
* Chetrice spoke on the importance of E-ISAC sign ups, stating that higher numbers are needed for federal metrics.

**New Business Discussion**

* There is a proposed longer session to be held in February or March to discuss more details of the SLCGP initiatives.
* Hemant inquired about IOT events planned for 2024. No complete list is available yet.

**Adjourn**

* A motion was made by Kent Kroft and seconded by Brad Hagg to adjourn the meeting.
* Motion was approved unanimously via voice vote.
* Motion carried.