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CYBERSECURITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Virtual Meeting
Friday February 17, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

MINUTES

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1. **Welcome & Call to Order**

    Ms. Narvaiz called the meeting to order at 3:04 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Ms. Narvaiz called the roll and announced a quorum was present for conducting business by voicing those she did not see present.

2. **Roll Call –**

Members Present:	Members Absent
Peter Mantos	Sen. Michael Padilla
Willian Campos	Dr. Srinivas Mukkamala
Raja Sambandam [arriving later]	
Cassandra Hayne	**Others Present**
Dr. Lorie Liebrock	Renee Narvais, DoIT PIO
William A. York	Melissa Gutierrez, DoIT
Carlos S. Lobato	Todd Glanzer - Deloitte
General Miguel Aguilar	Thomas Flores
Robert (Bobby) L. Benavidez	Todd Baran, DoIT Gen. Counsel
Dr. Bradley K. Purdy	Caleb Raymer, NM EMNRD
William (Tim) Pressley	Bradley Crowe
Tracy Lopez	Vinod Brahma, PURAM
Michael Good [arriving later]	Jeff Albright
Nathan C. Brown	Yaman Shah
	Joshua Yadao

3. **Approval of Agenda**

    Mr. Lobato moved, seconded by Gen. Aguilar, to approve the agenda as published. The motion was approved without objection.

    Chair Mantos asked Mr. Sambandam to speak about the cyber attacks experienced in the past few days after the Subcommittee reports.

4. **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

    None.

5. Subcommittee Reports

a. Plan Subcommittee – Carlos Labato

Mr. Lobato reported the Plan Subcommittee met on February 6 at 8 a.m. and made good progress. They focused on the initial survey drafted by Deloitte and Mr. Benavidez was present to give feedback on it. They have gotten important contact information from statewide entities and created a small workgroup that will meet on Fridays at 10 am with Deloitte to provide feedback on the elements required for the submission and drafted by Deloitte. To date, six documents have been drafted and Monday they will meet at 8 am and review at least four of those documents.

They will also update the NOFO requirements and then the whole Committee will receive it for presentation of those documents for formal adoption. They will bring a recommendation when bringing them.

Chair Mantos thanked him for the update and asked Mr. Lobato to give a little flavor of those four documents.

Mr. Lobato said they used the NOFO template and the actual section of the cybersecurity plan. One part is a letter on communication signed by Chair Mantos and Mr. Sambandam as part of the requirements. We will bring it next time for review and adoption. It was another of the 16 requirements done by Deloitte upon signing the mission of the Cybersecurity Plan and will also be reviewed and approved next time.

b. Engagement Subcommittee – Robert L. Benavidez

Mr. Benavidez said they met last Friday, February 10, and are working on a hybrid model of the short survey. Deloitte offered a first version and will engage with groups for feedback on using it other than just an email to start. A member is working on slides for presentation and another group on contents of the survey. Deloitte did a great job on the design. At the Meeting on February 24, they will start in the engagement work.

Chair Mantos thanked him and asked him to share the four options for the survey for those who were not on the Subcommittee.

Mr. Benavidez said the four were mailing out, email, face to face or a hybrid. They are using a hybrid approach since the response rate for the others is not good.

With their hybrid model, they are combining sending out with face-to-face communications and dealing with groups.

Chair Mantos explained that for many of the target contacts, we have not spoken to them before and when hitting them with a 30-page survey, it was no surprise we only got two of them back. The Committee does need to get the contacts for everyone's agency to expect a more detailed survey response and avoid it being a big turnoff.

Recent Cyberattacks in New Mexico

Chair Mantos asked Mr. Sambandam to comment on the attacks over the last couple of days.

Mr. Sambandam reported the last couple of weeks have been hectic here, not just from FIRs, but New Mexico has been pounded with attacks. A large hospital was attacked and thanks to Nathan Brown, were able to help mitigate that. We had our own attack last Wednesday from 2 am to 4 am and got pounded. But our protection was adequate to withstand it. Today, a couple of hours ago, a Santa Fe school district was impacted, and he was in contact with them which delayed his presence at this meeting. He said they are working now to minimize our reaction time.

Mr. Lobato was grateful for DoIT, through CESA alerted UNM on Wednesday. He convened the response team and placed everyone on alert. Thankfully it was not our system attacked but a server in one of our programs with less sensitive information. We learned how devasting it could be. The whole database was gone, and we appreciated the quick alert.

Mr. Sambandam said he was keeping it at a high level. The risk does exist. And we had to work with Homeland Security and inform those who were vulnerable. It is painful. We need to have good communication and share our contact information.

Chair Mantos thanked Mr. Sambandam. He announced DoIT is working on a call tree for immediate response and want to extend this to all shareholders and all in the Executive Branch to reach out to each other. Through the tree, all will be notified on suspected or verified information, first to those who are directly affected. That is part of the 16 objectives in NOFO. He thanked Raja Sambandam for mitigating those events.

6. **Responsibilities Discussion – Peter Mantos, Raja Sambandam, and Todd Glanzer**

Chair Mantos said like the NM Office of Broadband Cybersecurity needs a statute but instead we have a matrix and hope. It shows who is responsible and who gets informed.

He explained the RACI matrix which shows the entities involved and the assignment of responsibility for the tasks involved. Through utilization of the matrix, the Plan will get all bases covered.

Chair Mantos said it would be good to have a portal to check progress between meetings. That is the idea on the portal. Bill Campos and Nathan Brown agreed to populate the matrix, working with Deloitte and Subcommittee chairs separately from the Statewide Plan.

7. **Legislative Update – Peter Mantos and Todd Baran**

Chair Mantos acknowledged this was his first time to deal with the legislative updates. He observed that the Fiscal Impact Reports (FIRs) go beyond the financial impacts and include recommendations. And when the bills come out, several agencies must respond with an FIR within 12 hours so the state can get them out in 24 hours.

a. **Senate Bill 269 – DoIT Act Changes**

Senator Padilla and Representative Debra Sariñana are the sponsors of this Bill. We were told to correct the issues for this Bill. And we reported on the things that were attributed to DOIT that were not true. The Governor put it on hold and that is disappointing. But he was surprised to see the agency CIOs come together to address it. Everyone is supportive of it and major issues have been resolved. However, next Monday, the sponsors will pull it.

b. **House Bill 232 – Disclosure of Certain Info**

Chair Mantos said this is the Bill concerning cybersecurity exemption from the Open Meeting Act and IPRA requests. The current requirements give the bad guys too much information to help them invade what should be protected. In an hour's discussion, he found people are supportive of it. The Governor's Office said this is a good idea and more things need to be added.

Under the present law, the public has a right to see the documents. The Friends of Open Government understood the issue and said were mildly opposed. The ACLU is against it. The public does have a right to see some of it.

c. **Senate Bill 280 – Cybersecurity Act**

Mr. Sambandam said when the bill dropped, we connected with all CIOs to get their input, and it was an awesome experience to go through. They updated things on the fly and the filed amendment was discussed last Wednesday and Senate Rules Committee made some

changes on the fly. He was still awaiting the Governor's Office input in the next hour and reach out to sponsors, if needed. The Bill's purpose is to create the Cybersecurity Advisory Committee and Office of Cybersecurity administratively connected with DOIT and working collaboratively with other similar functions and agencies. The Advisory Committee will have authority as the State Officer.

Todd Baran said it was important to do publish the initial plan and the subsequent updates will shift over to this Advisory Committee.

d. Senate Bill 388 – Cybersecurity Fund

Mr. Sambandam said he was not timely with the FIR. It went out today. He is working with our sponsors to create a non-reverting fund designed to provide to the State and its subdivisions the ability to support any financial resources needed for incident response and recovery. It has nothing to do with paying ransom. It is being worked on and he expected not much opposition. He will keep the Committee updated. It is supposed to have a hearing on Monday. He wished they had more time for more upfront prevention instead of clean up after the fact.

e. House Bill 256 – Hybrid Dual Credit Pilot Program

Dr. Liebrock reported on this bill. When Rep. Andre Romero presented it in the House Education Committee and there was quite a bit of support in the room. It got a due pass on Monday, but it is not in House Appropriations yet. Rep. Romero is working with a senator trying to get a line item for it in the Senate Budget. It is for dual credit to teach cybersecurity to high school students to be ready for certification testing. NM Tech faculty would be teaching the course along with teachers in their classroom. The teachers would also get credit for their graduate work for computer science/cybersecurity. She is looking forward to the next step.

8. NASCIO Call Update – Raja Sambandam

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Mr. Sambandam met with NASCIO who put together a quick meeting with CESA Program Managers managing the IIJA/FEMA Cybersecurity Grant Program. The first-year awards are now known. More than two states did decline to participate for year one. One could be Florida. That money will go on to the states who are participating, and we could see a slight increase. But those states can participate in Year Two. They will go with CPGs as objectives for Year 2.

We are on top of it and discussed CPGs and may have a head start. He had asked them about tribal funding, and they said they will work on that. About 3% of the total would potentially go for tribal entities.

Chair Mantos added that in response to questions about after Year-One, they said the States can use up to 20% after Year One and cannot exceed 20% for planning. So we cannot go beyond that.

9. **Public Comment**

Mr. Crowe commented that some other states are including other groups like the Army National Guard workforce development working groups to provide important updates. Also, cybersecurity centers and other organizations like Homeland and their Cyber-fusion Center provide relevant information and interesting talking points during those meetings. Including those groups provides a holistic approach for cybersecurity strategy.

10. **Next Agenda Topics**

a. **Challenges from others, e.g. K-12 phishing scams, Security Plus**

Chair Mantos thought probably nothing on RACI would be on the next agenda. Also, who is making a fast track going forward. He asked Ms. Gutierrez for a spreadsheet to get us started and she agreed.

Mr. Baran requested a vote on approving the four documents next time.

Mr. York asked if members would have access to the surveys beforehand.

Mr. Benavidez agreed.

Mr. Baran said they will distribute them to the members ahead of the meeting.

Chair Mantos reminded members to not use "reply all" when responding so that a running quorum is avoided.

11. **Adjournment**

Upon motion by Mr. Sambandam and second by Dr. Liebrock and second by Mr. Sambandam, the meeting was adjourned at 4:03 p.m.

Peter Mantos
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Peter Mantos, Chair

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