

Michigan Intelligence Operations Center Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes
Grand Rapids
Amway Grand Plaza
May 9, 2023, 10 a.m.

Board Members Present:

Col. Joseph M. Gasper, Director, Michigan State Police (MSP)
Ms. Kimberly Buddin, American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan
Mr. Brian Slocum, Sr. Vice President & Chief Operating Officer, ITC Holdings
Major General Paul Rogers, Department of Military and Veteran Affairs, not present
Designee Michael Price, Department of Military and Veteran Affairs
Mr. Mark Reene, Prosecuting Attorney, Tuscola County
Sheriff Tom Reich, Eaton County Sheriff's Department
Mr. Mark Bishop, Michigan Department of Civil Rights
Mr. Richard Fenton, Vice President, Corporate Security and Safety, Ilitch Holdings, Inc
Ms. Heidi E. Washington, Michigan Department of Corrections
Mr. Aubrey Sargent, Michigan Attorney General

Board Members Absent:

Representative for local police department or the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police – Vacant Position

Guests Present:

Capt. Troy Allen, MSP, Intelligence Operations Division (IOD)
D/F/Lt. Elizabeth Rich, MSP, Michigan Intelligence Operations Center (MIOC)
D/Lt. Calvin Hart, MSP, Detroit Southeast Michigan Information and Intelligence Center (DSEMIIC)
Peter Hoffman, MSP, Detroit Southeast Michigan Information and Intelligence Center (DSEMIIC)
D/Lt. Scott Layman, MSP, MIOC
Dan Lorenz, Department of Homeland Security
Melanie Pierson, FBI
David Porter, FBI
Lt. Col. Chris Kelenske
Ms. Mollie Leahy, MSP, MIOC

- I. **Welcome** – Col. Joseph M. Gasper
 - a. Roll Call
 - b. Approval of the May 2022 minutes, Mark Reene moved to approve the minutes. Rick Fenton supported the motion. Motion approved.

- II. **MIOC Status** – D/F/Lt. Liz Rich
 - a. Staffing Update: 68 total (Five Units)
 - Strategic Unit-11 analysts plus one Manager (Funding from Special Investigation Division-One new position-Fraud)
 - Tactical Unit Central-13 analysts plus Manager (New-Cellular Mapping Specialist 13-benefit not only MSP but LE partners / prosecutors, one vacancy-Tri-County Metro)
 - Tactical Unit NW Region-11 Analysts plus Manager
 - Fusion Center-11 personnel (two analysts, six technicians, three enlisted) plus Commander (Full OK2SAY staff, recent filled D/Sgt., three additional positions coming to OK2SAY, 2 Techs and one 13 Specialist)
 - DSEMIIC-11 in total, six analysts, two data coders, three enlisted plus Commander (no MSP vacancies)
 - Administrative Assistant
 - Behavioral Threat Management Team (BTAM) Specialist 13 filled since last meeting.
 - IT Specialist 14
 - 102 Total with State, Local, Federal and National Guard partners/and or affiliates

- 5 – DSEMIIC (1 vacancy)
- 22- National Guard (added 6 since last meeting)
- US Coast Guard
- FBI
- DHS
- MDOC
- SOS Partner
- CDC Partner

b. Election Update

- MIOC, DSEMIIC, and FBI Detroit operated a Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN) connect room for law enforcement partners in support of the 2022 Mid-term Elections from November 7-9, 2022.
 - Monitoring Suspicious Activity Reports (SARs) from polling sites or involving election activities
 - Monitoring Significant criminal incidents at polling sites, clerk offices, or counting locations
 - Shared Emerging events related to election results
- Maintain multiple distribution lists for info/intel sharing through the election cycle

c. Activity Updates:

- OK2SAY is the student safety program which allows students to confidentially report tips on potential harm or criminal activities directed at school students, school employees, and schools. (Confidential)
- OK2SAY Program-43,741 tips submitted since inception. September 2014 thru April 2023
- OK2SAY 2021 total tips, 6,255; 66% increase over 2020 tips, the three top tip categories:
 - Planned School Attack
 - Bullying
 - Suicide threats
- OK2SAY 2022, total tips 7,415 the three top tip categories:
 - Bullying
 - Suicide Threats
 - Drugs
- OK2SAY 2023, total tips 3,369

OK2SAY received a tip regarding a student at Breckenridge High School making statements and online postings about school shooting threats, including the recent MSU shooting, and that he would shoot up a school too. The tip was investigated by the high school principal and local police. Breckenridge Police submitted a seized phone and laptop to Computer Crimes Unit (CCU) Grand Rapids for analysis while the student was suspended. CCU found concerning drawings, blueprints of the school, videos of the school library that focused on the entrances and exits, and a close-up of the evaluation plan and shelter in place instructions. Three websites, created under the suspect's name, contained documentation of previous school shootings, bomb making instructions, booklets of improvised explosive devices, pictures, and drawings of guns. As a result of the examination of submitted evidence, a search warrant was obtained for the suspect's house where weapons and drawings were seized. A Judge authorized the detainment of the juvenile as a result of this collaborative effort between OK2SAY, the school, Breckenridge PD, and CCU Grand Rapids.
- Requests for service (RFS) and Suspicious Activity Reports (SAR)
 - RFS
 - 2021 – 3,273
 - 2022 – 3,996
 - ** 60% coming from local partners
 - SAR
 - 2021 - 1,597
 - 2022 – 2,008
 - ** 75% coming from our local partners

d. MIOC Initiatives:

- Plan prior to D/F/Lieutenant Rich - two analysts per district had gone unfulfilled as the MIOC was not granted any positions for FY23. FY 24 asked for 1 – Department Analyst 9-11 (Eighth District), 2 additional OK2SAY Tech level 7-9 positions, an OK2SAY department manager 13. Approved by MSP leadership.
- Grant FLO and BTAM update. BTAM Specialist hired, FLO-two part time positions.
 - 15 presentations on SAR
 - FLO 2023
 - January 10-11 Grand Rapids
 - February 21-22 Lansing
 - March 21-22 Wayne County
 - April 11-12 Marshall
 - May 2-4 Ypsilanti
 - May 23-24 Marquette
 - June 20-21 Camp Grayling
 - July 18-19 Frankenmuth
 - August 22-23 Jackson
- Exit interviews and climate surveys continue.
- FlashPoint Software – software that combines data, insights, and automation to identify risks and stop threats, advertised as delivering actionable intelligence and identify physical risks.
- Maintain multiple distribution lists for info/intel sharing
- Aug 22/23 Hosting the Central Region Fusion Center Directors in Detroit for a two day conference

III. DSEMIIC Report – D/Lt. Calvin Hart

a. Updates:

- Housed at the HIDTA
- Six positions representing the Six counties within Southeast region
- One vacancy-Detroit, working on getting this filled
- Partner with the FBI, one analyst that is embedded with them
- National Guard analyst now housed in the DSEMIIC

b. Outreach:

- Inkster Police Department Sitrep (Ongoing)
- FBI – Southeast Michigan SEMTAC-NFL draft coming to Detroit 2024

c. Major 2023 Events:

- Detroit Tigers Season Game Day Opener
- Detroit Grand Prix-race.
- Detroit Fireworks
- Rocket Mortgage Classic
- Planned events support through assessments at small regional events

IV. Public Comment

V. Open Discussion

- a. Meeting was adjourned by Col. Joseph Gasper. Mr. Mark Reene moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Tom Reich seconded the adjournment. Motion carried.

Next Meeting scheduled: TBD

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