NEVADA AMBER ALERT COMMITTEE

(Statewide Alert System for the Safe Return of Abducted Children)

April 20, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Meeting held at the following Nevada Department of Transportation locations:

- Third Floor Conference Room (Room 302), 1263 S. Stewart St., Carson City

- Training Room, Building B, 123 E. Washington Ave, Las Vegas

- District 3 Conference Room, 1951 Idaho St., Elko

Having a quorum, the regular meeting of the Nevada AMBER Alert Review Committee was called to order by Chairperson, Dennis Osborn at 10:02 a.m. at the Nevada Department of Transportation, 3rd floor conference room #302. The meeting between the three, above listed, locations was connected via video-conferencing.

Committee Members in Attendance: Dennis Osborn (Chairperson), Zachary Burns (Vice-Chair) , Kevin Larsen (NHP), Denise Stewart (DPS-NHP), Tracy Teagarden (NBA), Denise Inda (NDOT), Gail Powell-Acosta (DPS), Rich Genseal (EPD), Jason Pasco (Nevada Broadcasters), Victor Schulze(DAG)

Others in Attendance: Linda DeSantis, Jim Stewart (NHP), Peter Farante (LVMPD), John O’Rourke (NHP-LTC)

Call to order and roll call.

**Agenda Item 1** – Welcome and Introductions. No public comment

**Agenda Item 2** –Reading and approval of Minuets from January 20, 2016 meeting. Denise Inda moved for approval of the minutes, Rich Genseal seconded. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

**Agenda Item 3** – Agenda item 3 was taken out of order from agenda item #7. Chairperson Dennis Osborn made a motion to nominate Denise Inda to be the committees Meeting Locator and Facilitator. Denise Inda accepted the position. Rich Genseal made a motion to approve, and Gail Powell-Acosta seconded. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

**Agenda Item 4** – Discussion and review of the recent 2016 Southern Nevada AMBER Alert Training. Zach Burns (Vice Chair), gave an overview of the training. There was 41 attendees ovr the two day training. The training was sponsored and put on by Fox Valley Community College. 16 hours of continuing education was submitted to Nevada POST for training credit.

No motion required.

**Agenda Item 5** – Discussion and decision on electing a committee secretary. Chairperson Dennis Osborn made a motion to nominate a committee secretary. Lt. Kevin Larsen volunteered and accepted the position. Denise Stewart made a motion to approve, and Denise Inda seconded. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

**Agenda Item 6 -** Discussion and decision on electing a website facilitator.

Chairperson Dennis Osborn made a motion to nominate a committee website facilitator. There was discussion between Linda DeSantis and Gail Powell-Acosta on their prior and current rolls with the web site and social media posting. Both contributed and assisted the former Chairperson in designing the web site. It was discussed that this agenda would be modified to reflect that Linda DeSantis and Gail Powell Acosta would both be elected as co-web site facilitators.

Lt. Kevin Larsen made a motion to approve, and Jason Pasco seconded. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

**Agenda Item 7 –** This item was moved to number 3.

**Agenda Item 8 –** Discussion and decision on schedule of semiannual meetings of Committee (for possible action)

Chairperson Dennis Osborn made a motion to make the committee meetings semi-annually from the quarterly meetings that currently take place. It was discussed that if there is an activation of an Amber Alert in between meetings, and the activation needed to be discussed and or reviewed prior to the next meeting, that a special meeting could be called to discuss the activation. It was discussed that the meetings would be held in April and October of each year, on the third Wednesday at locations TBD. Lt. Rich Genseal made a motion to approve, and Victor Schulze seconded. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

**Additional Business** – It was brought to the attention of the committee that there was an activation attempt out of California that was poorly activated into the Nevada system. There was little to no protocol followed, and the activation into Nevada was denied.

It was decided that this topic would be discussed at the next meeting, when there was more information. No motion required.

Chairperson Dennis Osborn wanted it added on the next meetings agenda, that he would like to present former Chairperson Stephanie Parker a Certificate of Appreciation and a NHP Colonel Coin, for her dedication and participation as the Committee Chairperson.

**Agenda Item 9** - Public Comment. There was no public at any of the three locations.

Next Meeting is tentatively set for October 19th, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

**Agenda Item 10** – A motion to adjourn was made by Gail Powell Acosta, and seconded by Denise Stewart. The meeting Adjourned at 10:40 a.m. by Chairperson Dennis Osborn