

# ORS TAC MINUTES

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**Date:** 9-19-11  
**TAC:** K-9  
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**Approved:**



- I. **Attendees:** See attached sign in sheet. We want to welcome 2 new members, Karen O'Reilly of the Midwest K9 Search Unit. The other new member is Arienne Fauber of the Attorney General's Office, BCI&I. She came on board after our last meeting and is replacing Justin Cain.

III. **Summary:**

Deana and Ken have not had a chance to work on the grant justification, yet. They will need to show how the training is related to the needs of the volunteers. The second part of that is the need to provide an incentive to the volunteers in getting more to apply and be added to the K-9 TAC database (DB). There was discussion on this and it seems to boil down to lack of awareness, education requirements along with the value of being added to the K-9 DB.

Deana will be checking over the application to include the background statement. Once that is complete she will save it into PDF and forward to Jim for posting to the K-9 TAC website. Deana will also be providing a map that will provide the county and Homeland Security (HS) region that have civilian K-9 resources.

Jim provided a demo of the K-9 TAC website. Everyone liked what they saw. Jim also provided a demo of the Law Enforcement Response Plan (LERP) web site, too. This provided an overview of how resources within have been typed, this will need to be done for K-9 resources as well. Resources encompass dogs, handler and any other necessary equipment.

The demo of the LERP DB was also provided, which showed how they have formatted their information. Much discussion took place on the need for a specific K-9 DB separate from the Ohio Fire Response Plan (FRP) and the LERP. It was decided we would not create a separate K-9 DB, but rather an informational listing. A link to the Ohio Peace Officers Training Academy (OPATA) DB will be added to the K-9 TAC website. This OPATA link will be provided by Justin/Arienne of OPATA. A "snapshot" of their DB will be requested to be provided on a quarterly basis. Excel has been the chosen format in which the "snapshot" would be provided in. The "snapshot" will be data as it was that moment and not editable.

Janelle wanted the group to know that the K-9TAC ID's have been proven to be helpful in that they are adding validity to those volunteers on-scene. Just to inform those that may not know this. The ID's are only given to those volunteers that apply via the K-9 TAC application which includes how they meet the education and certification requirements.

**Application review:**

There were no applications submitted for review and approval.

**Training opportunities:**

SAR TEC II course	Oct. 2011	Location to be determined.
The 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ohio SAR Conference	March 2-4, 2012	Ohio Fire Academy in Reynoldsburg
NAPWADA Workshop	April 26-29, 2012	Lake County

**IPWADA Certification opportunity:**

Nov. 2011

IV. **Action Items:**

Janelle will provide an update on the SAR Conference.

Pam will be adding past meeting minutes to specified drive for inclusion to the K-9 website.

Sandy will provide an update on the NAPWADA Workshop.

Jim will coordinate with IT on having a calendar link added to the K-9 website.

Deana will focus on the updating of K-9s with OPATA, Arienne, Justin's replacement.

Deana will also be creating the map that will show all of the K-9 resources by Homeland Security Region.

The application will be updated and sent to Jim, then added to the website, by Deana.

- v. **Next Meeting:** December 5, 2011, room #124, at the OEMA Building.

Respectfully, Submitted by: Pam Gibson

Attachments: Sign in sheet