

Minutes

Committee on Court Security Hostile Incidents Subcommittee

February 25, 2014

9:00 am

**90 Washington Street
4th Floor Conference Room
Hartford**

The Hostile Incidents Subcommittee met at 9:00 a.m. in the 4th floor conference room at 90 Washington Street, Hartford.

Members in attendance: Chief Judicial Marshal Dennis Dowd, Detective Michael Grieder, Chief Thomas Grimaldi, Chief Inspector James Hankard, Ms. Melanie Kerr (chair), Atty. Richard Loffredo, Director O'Donovan Murphy, Atty. Denise Poncini, and Chief Judicial Marshal Relford Ward.

Members not in attendance: Mr. Robert Kilpatrick and Mr. Robert Kirchner

The meeting was called to order by Melanie Kerr at 9:10 a.m.

1. Ms. Kerr welcomed the members in attendance and asked them to introduce themselves.
2. Ms. Kerr discussed the charge of the committee. The committee is charged with developing a response procedure for hostile incidents to be placed in the local Judicial District emergency response plans. It is anticipated that a draft procedure would be completed to be presented to the Branch's Court Security Committee at its May meeting.
3. Detective Grieder spoke about the importance of communication during an emergency situation. He informed the subcommittee of one security notification system he is aware of called Lynx.

Chief Grimaldi re-iterated the importance the communication during emergency situations. The more information that can be provided to first responders, the better.

4. A discussion ensued regarding issues surrounding active shooter incidents.
5. A question was raised about whether or not there is anything that can be done outside of the courthouse or at the entrance to the courthouse to decrease the likelihood of an individual entering the facility intent on causing harm.

6. Detective Grieder informed the subcommittee that the ASIS convention will take place on March 13 and 14 in New York.

7. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday March 19 at 9:00.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00.

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