

Local Cal-ID RAN Board Meeting
Minutes of May 28, 2020

Los Angeles County Regional Identification System
12440 East Imperial Hwy., Suite 400W
Norwalk, CA 90650
Webex Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT

Briane Grey

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Elisa Arcidiacono (for Supervisor Kathryn Barger)
Todd Pelkey (for District Attorney Jackie Lacey)
Terry Carter (for Chief Michel R. Moore)
Brian Yanagi (for Sheriff Alex Villanueva)
Erich Hoefke, (for Chief Richard Bell)
Thalia Polychronis (for Mayor Eric Garcetti)

STAFF

Lt. Derek Sabatini, LACRIS
Sgt. Erick Martinez, LACRIS
Anny Estrada, LACRIS
Stuart Suede, LACRIS
Cammy DuPont, General Counsel, County Counsel
Lezley Garcia, LACRIS
Angela Vargas, LACRIS

GUESTS

Errol Lawson, LAPD

I. CONVENE

The May 28, 2020, meeting of the Local Cal-ID RAN Board was called to order by Elisa Arcidiacono at 2:03 p.m.

II. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the November 21, 2019, meeting were adopted (moved by Terry Carter, seconded by Brian Yanagi, and unanimously carried to approve).

III. REPORT ON THE TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE

Chair Elisa Arcidiacono introduced Lt. Derek Sabatini who reported on the tasks assigned to the Technical Subcommittee on November 21, 2019.

1. Report on the Status of the LiveScan Network, Installations, and Enhancements

On November 4, 2019, a LiveScan machine was installed at Hollywood Court. On December 19, 2019, a LiveScan machine was installed at LAPD Harbor Station, and a LiveScan machine was removed from Staples Center.

On March 19, 2020, Sheriff Alex Villanueva requested a Covid-19 LiveScan installed at the Inmate Reception Center.

2. Report on the Status of LAFIS

From November 1, 2019, through April 30, 2020, various LACRIS systems were inoperable and experienced unscheduled downtime for approximately 56 hours. For this 6 month period 17 hours were related to issues with NEC, 39 hours were unscheduled AJIS/JDIC, Data Security, SDN and LAPD network downtime. In comparison, the 2 months prior (September 1, 2019 – October 31, 2019), to the current period, the system experienced approximately 21 hours of downtime.

3. LACRIS Statistics

LA PhotoManager – November 1, 20219, to April 30, 2020

Total DMS Records (not sealed)	7,246,415	Total DMS Subjects (not sealed)	2,334,400	Approximately 68% with more than one record
Total Users	5,299	Users with Facial Recognition Training and Access:		766
FOR THE PERIOD OF 11/1/2019 TO 4/30/20				
Total New Records	107,519	Total New Subjects	20,809	Approximately 80% recidivism
Total Period FR Searches	14,892	Total Period CAFRI Searches	273	
Total Period Mobile FR Searches	398			

Mobile ID – ID BlueCheck (Fingers)

In the four months making up this RAN Board period we had 2,012 total inquiries, 1,092 positive identifications, for a positive identification ratio of 54%.

4. Steering Committee

The Technical Subcommittee meeting was held on February 19, 2019. During the meeting the participants were briefed on the status of the LACRIS systems. No requests were made during the meeting.

5. General Updates

PAC-50 Upgrade: The PAC50 project continues to move forward with more locations being upgraded to the 10 mbps connection with Spectrum.

- 23 PAC-50 locations installed (connectivity confirmed)
- 5 PAC-50 locations to be scheduled for install
- 12 PAC-50 locations in construction phase

*Some agencies pay for their own connection, while other have deferred connection.

My Journey Home (MJH): LACRIS plans to start moving forward with the My Journey Home Project in the near future. Approval to initiate the My Journey Home (MJH) Project was granted by the RAN Board during the September 24, 2015, board meeting. MJH will create a separate database of self-registered “At-Risk” individuals who have Alzheimer disease, autism, are habitual runaways or in foster care. Kiosks will be placed throughout the county at local police and sheriff stations for individuals to complete the registration process by

providing biometrics. Officers in the field will be able to use this information to identify these individuals once found. We will provide future updates as the project develops.

Digital Mugshot System (DMS): The DMS will serve as the replacement system for the LA PhotoManager digital mugshot system. The DMS Request for Proposal (RFP) has been progressing slowly as all of our resources were being directed to the CBS RFP. With the CBS vendor selected, the DMS project is our priority. Sergeant Denney is now assigned to assist with this project. We are in the process of modifying the RFP with lessons learned from the CBS RFP process.

Facial Recognition (FR) Update: On March 10, 2020, LACRIS staff attended the State of California Joint Informational Hearing on "Shaping the Future of Facial Recognition Technology in California: Identifying its Promises and Challenges." This informational hearing was chaired by Assemblyperson Ed Chau from the 49th District, representing Monterey Park and surrounding areas. The members from the joint committees were willing to listen to both the pros and cons of the use of facial recognition in both the public and private sector. Members of the American Civil Liberties Union, Electronic Frontier Foundation and Berkeley Law School asked the panels for a complete ban or moratorium on FR. Two members of the panel publicly spoke out against a complete ban stating it would be irresponsible. LACRIS spoke during public comment, correcting misrepresentations and offered our services in future discussions.

Assemblyperson Chau has authored AB 2261 which addresses privacy concerns with FR technology. LACRIS believes the original version of the bill was responsibly written. On Tuesday May 5th, a modified version of the bill was presented during a State Assembly Hearing for vote. This version had removed the separation between public and private sectors, amongst other things that made the bill unacceptable. The bill was rejected without prejudice. Since then LACRIS has been working with Assemblyman Chau's staff to help complete an acceptable final draft of the bill that will provide for public safety and protect civil liberties.

Rapid DNA Brief: The FBI Rapid DNA pilot continues without LAPD, LASD and LACRIS participation. The State DOJ has not been able to provide the resources to connect the criminal booking system to the DOJ DNA laboratory. LACRIS spoke with FBI Biometrics Section Chief Tina Delgado and DNA Unit Chief Michael Shay, both agreed to work closer with LACRIS on future Rapid DNA developments should our community want to move in that direction.

Newsworthy Story: We want to congratulate Forensic Identification Specialist II Scott Purcell from the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department who was honored by the International Biometrics Association (IBA) for his work in the investigation of

a recent murder of a deputy sheriff. He received the Latent Print Hit of the Year. In this case, crime scene personnel responded to three locations. Mr. Purcell was asked to evaluate the found prints, conduct the latent analysis and enter them into the ABIS. After completing his work, he got a hit on one candidate from three different databases. Within 18 hours of the shooting, Mr. Purcell had a possible suspect identified.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. Authorization to Send Letter to the Attorney General Expressing Concern Over the State's AFIS System

At the previous Cal-ID RAN Board meeting held November 21, 2019, the RAN Board directed LACRIS to draft a letter to the California Attorney General expressing concern regarding the status of the California Department of Justice's (DOJ) Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS). We are requesting approval to submit the letter before you to the California Attorney General.

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED BY TERRY CARTER, SECONDED BY TODD PELKEY, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO SUBMIT LETTER TO THE CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY GENERAL EXPRESSING CONCERN OVER THE STATE'S AFIS SYSTEM.

B. Authorization to Hire (1) Principal Information System Analyst Item (PISA)

LACRIS is requesting authorization to fund (1) Principal Information System Analyst, (PISA Class Code 2594-5A), item. This item will provide a highly specialized component to the LACRIS environment, bridging the gap between the IT Specialist I and the Senior Information Systems Analyst (SISA), creating a Project Management/ Procurement Team inside of LACRIS. This item will procure IT solutions, Implement Requests For Information, Requests For Proposal, conduct system research, document lessons learned and become a subject matter expert on LACRIS systems. The LACRIS Strategic Plan recommends the dedicated project management component to LACRIS. The creation and implementation of this item will create a dedicated procurement Project Management Team by combining our existing IT Specialist I and SISA with the newly added PISA. This will allow LACRIS to retain personnel with extensive knowledge and expertise in LACRIS systems. Just as important, the Project Management Team will accelerate the procurement process that has had two systems extend past their end of life support, jeopardizing countywide bookings and biometric investigations. The monthly salary for the PISA is \$10,388 and the total annual salary plus benefits is \$192,314.

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED BY TODD PELKEY, SECONDED BY TERRY CARTER, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO APPROVE 100% FUNDING TO HIRE ONE (1) PRINCIPAL INFORMATION SYSTEM ANALYST FOR THE APPROXIMATE COST OF \$192,314 PER YEAR.

Further Discussion: Todd Pelkey asked if the PISA item is part of LACRIS' Ten-Year Strategic Plan, and if the current State and County budget situation will affect the motor vehicle fund and cause a delay in action items on this agenda. Lt. Sabatini responded that this item is part of the spending plan. Our funds will be impacted but at this point, we do not have a complete understanding of the full impact. However, there is sufficient funding to last several years with the current organization structure.

C. Authorization to Purchase Microsoft Premier Support Services

LACRIS is requesting authorization to continue the use of Microsoft Premier Support Services. This is an annual renewal. LACRIS intends to use Microsoft Premier Support Services to move our Witness Server to an Azure (cloud) environment, upgrading the Active Directory to 2019 and assistance with incorporating our Criminal Booking System into our Active Directory Federated Services (so each agency can use their log on for the new Livescan system). Additionally, LACRIS will continue to utilize Microsoft Premier Support Services to provide expert problem resolution assistance for those unforeseen system outages.

Microsoft has provided a quote of \$110,126 to provide the above listed services. This quote includes all costs and services that are required to implement the Azure cloud environment, but does not include hardware should any be needed. This quote includes 12 onsite visits, 248 assistance hours, 150 management hours, and 40 hours of post implementation problem resolution hours.

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED BY ERICH HOEFKE, SECONDED BY BRIANE GREY, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO APPROVE 100% FUNDING TO PURCHASE MICROSOFT PREMIER SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE APPROXIMATE COST OF \$110,126.

D. Authorization to Extend the Current LiveScan agreement with Idemia

LACRIS intends to amend the current Idemia agreement for continued maintenance and support of LACRIS's LiveScan equipment. Given the age of the LiveScan Equipment and the system software, Idemia can no longer perform all the existing maintenance services and has deducted 10 percent from the current contract cost. The current Agreement expires on November 30, 2020. The maximum contract sum of the amendment is \$1,565,423 million.

The amendment will extend the term of the agreement for up to 12 additional months, for continued maintenance and support of LiveScan equipment, while the Department completes the replacement of the current system. We have the ability to terminate the contract at any time with a 30 day notice. LACRIS is asking for authorization to enter into a monthly contract of approximately \$130,452 a month, with a contract total to not exceed a total cost of \$1,565,423. If necessary, this contract extension will be presented to the Board of Supervisors on October 20, 2020.

Further Discussion: Brian Yanagi asked if the new system is implemented by November 9, 2020, as anticipated, but we've already entered into agreement with Idemia, would LACRIS be responsible to pay the first month of service. Both Derek Sabatini and Cammy Dupont responded yes. LACRIS would terminate Idemia's agreement with a 30-day notice and would be obligated to pay the first month of service. LACRIS will have a better idea by August 2020, if the Idemia contract needs to be extended. This request is a safety net to ensure there is not a gap in service between the two vendors.

ACTION: IT WAS MOVED BY BRIAN YANAGI, SECONDED BY BRIANE GREY, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO APPROVE 100% FUNDING TO EXTEND THE CURRENT LIVESCAN AGREEMENT WITH IDEMIA FOR UP TO 12 ADDITIONAL MONTHS FOR THE APPROXIMATE COST OF \$130,452 PER MONTH, NOT TO EXCEED \$1,565,423.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Terry Carter, and seconded by Brian Yanagi, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for July 23, 2020.