



Governor's Emergency Management Advisory Council (GEMAC) Quarterly Meeting

December 18, 2024

Attendance

Jonathan Bratt
Douglas Brown
Jonathan Dayton
Jonathan Favorite
Dwayne Freeman

Jasper Jones
Jennifer Martin
Ryan Miller
Marverley Nettles
David Wilenborg

Meeting Summary

1. Welcome
 - a. Meeting call to business at 12:00pm by Anna Sierra, Chief Development Officer & Legislative Liaison. Brittany Cook conducted a roll call for attendance. Quorum was not reached.
 - b. Douglas Brown, SERC Chair, indicated no briefing items for SERC this meeting.
2. Review: 2024 GEMAC Annual Report
 - a. Requirements per statute, PS §14-105(a), were reviewed related to GEMAC's annual report.
 - b. Three recommendations were presented to the council by Anna Sierra for approval to publish to the Department of Legislative Services. No comments or edits were provided, the council was unable to approve due to quorum status. MDEM staff will seek approval virtually prior to publication.
3. New Business
 - a. Council members were invited to identify new topics and priorities for the coming year.
 - b. Ryan Miller requested a briefing on best practices from a national and regional level. As well as statewide impact and lessons learned from the FSK Bridge collapse.

- c. David Wilenborg suggested inviting Calvert Cliffs to brief on radiological preparedness.
 - d. Dwayne Freeman requested an update from Maryland Center for School Safety.
 - e. Jonthan Favorite recommended prioritizing a drone technology briefing on advantages and threats associated with drones and AI.
 - f. Jonathan Bratt suggested considering emergency management in higher education as another topic to explore in the coming year.
 - g. MDEM provided updates related to council members' appointment status and tentative dates for GEMAC meetings in 2025. MDEM will provide a legislative briefing during February's meeting.
4. Adjourn
 - a. The meeting adjourned at 12:28pm