

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

Remote Meeting

Regional Data Advisory Committee
Meeting Notes

September 7, 2021, 1:00 pm

Members Present

Christina Drummond, Educopia
Chair Brad Ebersole, Consolidated Electric
Cooperative, Inc.
Shoreh Elhami, City of Columbus
Vice-Chair Jung Kim, One Columbus
Tom Kneeland
Bill LaFayette, Regionomics®

David Landsbergen, OSU
Doug McCollough, City of Dublin
Jonathan Miller, Delaware County Regional
Planning Commission
Gene Oliver, City of Worthington
Rick Stein, Urban Decision Group
Drew Williams, City of Columbus

Public Present

Sierra MacEachron, Franklin County Public
Health
Harvey Miller, OSU-CURA

Andrew Wilson, City of Hilliard
Connie Skinner

MORPC Staff Present

Kerstin Carr
Joe Garrity
Shawn Hufstedler

Ethan Hug
Lynn Kaufman
Cheri Mansperger

Liz Whelan-Jackson

Meeting Called to Order at 1:03 pm.

MORPC Updates – *William Murdock*

Kerstin Carr will serve as the Interim Data & Mapping Director.

Regional Public Policy Update – *Joe Garrity*

2020 Census Update – *Liz Whelan-Jackson*

RDAC Priorities & Working Groups – *Brad Ebersole & Jung Kim*

Vice-Chair Kim recapped the process used to create Working Groups: voting among Members on Regional Data Agenda Action Items to work on, with staff sorting those Action Items into Working Groups.

THREE NEW BROAD WORKING GROUPS



PARTNERSHIP & CAPACITY-BUILDING

- This Group will address many of the objectives & action items of Goals 1 and 2.
- Examples of the duties of this Working Group include guidance for RIDG & COGUG, advancing MORPC's data partnerships, and overseeing capacity-building efforts like a Data Academy or Data Day Conference.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT RESOURCES

- This Group will address objectives and action items under several goals, with focus on the development of specific data-related supports and resources for MORPC Members.
- An example includes continuation of the current project to use the results of the recent Data Policy Survey to develop a local data policy toolkit.

BROADBAND & DIGITAL EQUITY

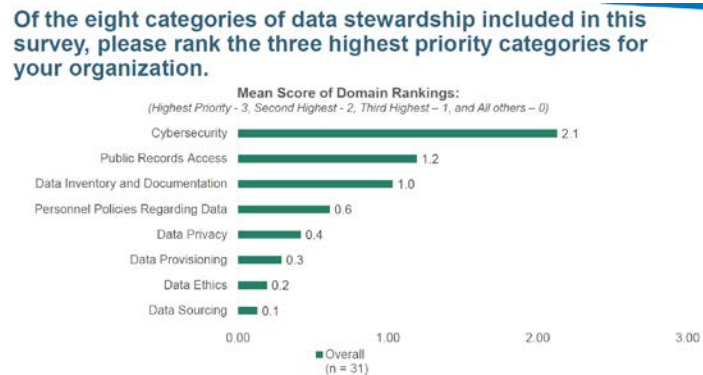
- This Group will primarily address Goal 5, which is a high-priority, emerging area of work for MORPC.
- Directional guidance from RDAC on this topic will be important.

Members are currently self-populating the Working Groups. Members may sit on more than one Working Group.

Working Group Reports

Data Policy Needs Survey & Toolkit – Doug McCollough

The survey shows that Cybersecurity and Records Requests are the highest priorities to the survey population.



This Working Group will be rolled into the Local Government Resources Working Group in 2022. The next steps for this project are to conduct focus groups and to develop the Toolkit.

Regional Municipal Fiber Strategy – Gene Oliver

The Working Group recently finalized the Letter of Intent to help secure grant funding to help defray some of the initial expense of implementation and ongoing operation. Chair Oliver expects the effort to take another year to implement and to begin to scaling.

MORPC Staff Updates

Central Ohio GIS User Group Report – Cheri Mansperger

COGUG met on September 1, and this was its first hybrid meeting. Ten members attended at the MORPC office, with 53 remote attendees. There were presentations from ESRI, the Knowledge Exchange at OSU, and from Kyle Schaper of Licking County regarding Story Maps.

Regional Information & Data Group Report – Liz Whelan-Jackson

RIDG's August 4 virtual meeting had 30 attendees, and a presentation from Rob Moore, Scioto Analysis. The Group had three breakout sessions: Census 2020, Tableau, and Data Organization. The next RIDG meeting will be on November 3.

Other Business

Members discussed hybrid / in-person / remote meeting formats. The consensus is that the Committee will wait to see what the future brings with regard to new variants.

Adjourned at 2:15 pm.