

Region 4 EMS Council, Inc.

Region 4 EMS Council June 11, 2019 Meeting Minutes Concordia Fire/EMS

Those attending included:

Patrick Eastes, SM Co EMS

James Buller, Concordia Fire/EMS

Dave Beam, DK Co EMS

Kathy Coleman, Miltonvale EMS

Pam Kemp, Region IV EMS

Joe House, KS BEMS

Eric Hamel, MC Co EMS

Missy McGinnis, MC Co EMS

Jeff Beikmann, RP Co EMS

Jeremiah Brown, EW Co EMS

Shane Pearson, Salina Fire/EMS

Called to order at 1000 by Dave Beam

Amend agenda - to facilitate Kathy leaving early for work commitment will move Website / Social Media and Mini-Lark discussion to top of agenda.

Approval of Minutes of April 9, 2019 Smith Center meeting – Patrick/Buller MSA

Treasurer Report - Coleman/Eastes MSA

Old Business:

- **Edu Grant application status / approvals** – approve the seven applications submitted MSA James Buller/ Eric Hamel. Pam will contact KEMSA to generate the invoice.
- **Legislative Update** – Joe House reported on SB99 changed to SB53 and passed and was published. Includes statutory language changing attendant to provider, criminal history record checks etc. and some clean up language. Some regulatory changes will need to come to follow statutory changes. KRAF bill is still alive but hasn't moved. Legislative priority determined at the May 20 meeting was sent out. Areas of interest included: Trauma program funding support; data issue; staffing of ambulances in rural areas; inter-facility transfers; recruitment and retention tools; loan forgiveness program; balance billing; utilization review; medical director; education needs; BLS exam; and several other topics.
- **Emergency Response Agency Regulation** – Non-transporting agencies that provide care are not currently regulated. Documents showing the pathway to regulating those agencies. Dave encourages local EMS agencies to visit with the non-transporting agencies they work with to determine local concerns and bring those concerns back to Joe and KSBEMS members. Dave is concerned about the added responsibility put on the local EMS agency and the potential loss of willing local individuals to comply with the process.
- **Website and Social Media update** – Kathy Coleman – Kathy visited with Mary Napier about making changes in the website and adding social media. To update and re-create the website Update is \$550; Annual fee will be \$260. Dave Beam / Jeremiah Brown MSA move forward with Kathy as project chair to submitted design to group for final approval to be done at next meeting.

New Business:

- **Updates from KS BEMS Meetings** – only meetings held were Education and Investigations. Handout was provided regarding the Guidance Document the KS BEMS provided regarding the staffing alternatives within current statutes and how they will determine variances. That document was sent to the Region IV e-mail list this morning with other regulation updates provided by Joe House.
- **Mini Lark disaster trailers** – locations, supply / equipment lists etc. – services will check inventory and submit lists of what is expiring or needs replaced as well as other equipment/ supplies that may be needed James Buller will compile the list and get quotes from his vendor for review. Kathy will try to work it into the RHS project.
- **Computer maintenance** – Beam / Buller MSA to replace not repair if trouble continues.

Committee Reports

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- **Salina Regional Health Center Updates (as needed) – Giroux** – no report from Rachele, Shane reports shortage of Ortho and Neuro Surgical care is on-going. Inter facility transfers to Salina that then end up being transferred to Wichita continue to be an issue.
- **Regional Healthcare Coalition – Hultgren** – Cancelled last meeting so haven't met. Question was raised about who sponsored the Advanced Burn Life Support class in Salina recently. EMS providers weren't informed of the class so had very few in attendance. Shane questioned who sponsored it and how it was advertised.
- **EMS-C Updates – Tracy Cleary no longer with EMS-C** – unsure what KDHE plan is to fill the position. Wendy is the POC.
- **Data Collection / KEMSIS– Beam** – had user group meeting but Dave was unable to attend due to flooding. Joe gave updates.
- **EDTF – Champlain / Wicks / Yager** – Shane reported that the last meeting was cancelled. A report was given to BEMS about on-demand training options.
- **Regional Homeland Security Council** – Coleman / Hultgren – no additional report from Mini-Lark discussion.
- **KRAF grant – Coleman / Beam** – If received a grant and haven't ordered, you need to get it ordered.
- **Regional Trauma Council – Buller / Cramer** – James Buller reported that the regional meeting was held. Suggestions included: regional case review be included in future meetings; include a breakout session for different disciplines.
- **MERGe Update – Hultgren / Beam** (Dave resigned from MERGe – replacement?) – no report.
- **Website – Kemp** – updated earlier in the meeting.

Round Table Discussion – All (*as time allows*)

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EW Co EMS – shuffling staff around to cover retirement of long time staff member.

MC Co EMS – Have one in paramedic class.

RP Co EMS – Having remount issues.

SM Co EMS – waiting on a remount. Having issues with last one done.

Concordia Fire/ EMS -

Salina Fire / EMS - Took delivery of new ambulance 3 weeks ago and will start the remount on a different truck in the fall. Started a recruit class a few weeks ago and they will start shifts after July 4th. Have several Pedi-mates to donate.

DK Co EMS - Have a truck being remounted. There have been some major ownership changes with the company doing the remount. Annual Camp 911 has 83 kids enrolled (6th graders) also have some personnel helping with HCC Field Ops next week. Still waiting on transport ventilators. Assisted with D-Day celebration at the Eisenhower Memorial.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Pam Kemp, Regional Coordinator

LOCATIONS FOR 2019 MEETINGS

- August 13, 2019 – Belleville
- October 8, 2019 - Minneapolis
- December 10, 2019 - Ellsworth