Region VI EMS

Region VI EMS Board Meeting Parsons, Kansas January 19, 2016 1300 Hours

- I. Call to Order @ 1300hrs by Chairman Pace. Attendees: Jim Wilhelms, Chad Merando, Vice Chair, Randy Grimmett, Jim Cooper, Joe House-Exec. Director Kansas Board of EMS, Billy Foster, Travis Modesitt, Chris Mattes
- II. Approval of Agenda Verbal agenda provided by the Chair and discussion held. Motion to approve as stated by Mr. Modesitt and seconded by Mr. Cooper. Unanimous vote.
- III. Approval of Minutes (October 2014) The minutes with changes as noted by Mr. Merando were voted on and approved unanimously. Mr. Modesitt motioned, Mr. Grimmett with the second.
- IV. Financial Report Not provided due to Mr. Bruner's excused absence due to weather and road conditions
- V. DMSU overview and global purpose statement provided by T. Modesitt & R. Grimmett. Document reviewed and discussed with decision to forward on to the DMSU Team with a request to begin to develop internal team Leadership Organizational Plan/Org Chart per ICS structure. Complete an inventory of equipment/supplies, develop and communicate a dispatching/activation plan and roster. Baseline rehab protocol to be presented to medical directors at workshop.
- VI. KRAF Grant Meeting date and time not currently scheduled. Anticipated in the next 30 days in Salina. Mr Yoakum will attend on behalf of Region 6. Any with applications in are encouraged to communicate with him so that he can best represent the interests.
- VII. Medical Director's Workshop report by Mr. Pace
 Plans are to accommodate up to 42 people. A light agenda including an update on the
 region's work and activities is planned. Invitations to Joe House and members of the
 Kansas Board of EMS will be sent. Discussion on inviting leadership of our neighbors,
 ie. Quapaw tribe Fire-EMS, NCAD and METS. Group discussion indicated agreement.
 Ms. Harrison and Mr. Pace will be developing the notices and invitations. The group is
 asked to communicate with and remind their medical directors and leaders of the dinner.
- VIII. Regional Trauma Council Report Ms. Harrison not present. Mr. Pace reminded the group there are still funds available to assist with the provision of a PHTLS Course through the trauma council and the KDHE. Up to \$1000 is available. Inquiry made on Coffeyville to see if they have completed their PHTLS and TNCC courses. Mr. Wilhelms indicated they have yet to do so.
- IX. EDTF Ms. Miller, Mr. Yoakum and Mr. Bruner not present to report
- X. MERGe Mr. Bruner not present to report

XI. Board of EMS Update by Joe House, Executive Director

Report and update provided on the federal legislative effort to address the DEA language regarding EMS and narcotics.

Kansas Activity: Mandatory reporting for EMS on Elder Abuse – expected to pass Seatbelts for Everyone – Takes away funding from EMS KRAF grant and KDHE reallocations. The percentage is small, but there have been reductions for the past several years. Discussion resulted in direction for the Chair to draft a letter opposing the cuts as stated. It is noted that KEMSA is a supporter of the bill with the most recent changes.

Board of EMS Bills – Cleanup of language as a result in the change in the scope of Practice. Interstate Compact Bill. Information requested by Joe House on the number of out of state runs completed by services on the border in our region. Please provide in email to support the effort. Discussion is favorable and direction for the Chair to draft a letter in support of this bill.

CPE and GEMT activities were discussed and explained to the board. Currently, the law in place would allow for completion of this without the need for legislative action. There are activities occurring in the Fire Chief's Association and within KEMSA.

TPOPP was discussed and Joe House reported that a recent attorney general's opinion Indicates that a TPOPP is not a valid DNR. Discussion held and Mr. Pace indicated he would be reaching out to the Center of Bioethics to discuss further and gain an understanding of the communication break downs.

XII. Council and Subcommittee Reports

Homeland Security – Currently the region does not have a representative on the council. Mr. Grimmett indicates he might have an interested person to be recommended for Appointment, and he will let us know.

PHTLS – Education Report – It was again mentioned that the current library of books for the region are outdated and need to be replaced. There are three services planning courses in the near future and we are in need of the materials. Mr. Wilhelms motions to purchase new, 8th edition books. Second by Billy Foster. Unanimous vote. Mr. Grimmett agrees to make the contact and order, communicating with Mr. Bruner on payment.

Guardians of the Heart Update: Mr. Pace reports planning for the medical director's dinner and the give-away, the price of the one night stay is \$154. It can not be discounted due to it's any time use. Funding is available within the allotted amount to potentially purchase a second one night stay. Registrations currently at 180 for the 2 day event. Bob Page will be doing his MultiLead Medics 12 Lead course on day one and an evening First Responder session. Day two has Dr. Jung, Neurologist from Cox South and Dr. David L. Gordon, from OU Medical Center and the original founder of the ASLS Cirriculum and MENDS exam as the key speakers on stroke. Mini case presentations, including a virtual CVOR presentation from Dr. Vetsch will round out the day. Break out sessions on implantable devices is also planned for day two.

Advanced Stroke Life Support – 24 seats in the providers course and 18 allocated in the instructor's course. We are still vetting the last few participants from the Region.

KEMTA Conference – The group was reminded that we approved 3 scholarships for attendants of Region 6 to attend the KEMTA conference in Hutchinson this year.

XII. Other Business

Mr. Cooper shared the EMS Field Report short form developed by the SW Missouri EMS partners and Freeman Health System. Everyone was provided with pre-printed copies of the form and encouraged to use it as they see fit.

Mr. Mattes announced upcoming education through Mercy.

March 4th – Mercy Joplin Trauma Conference

March 18th – Mercy Springfield Pediatric Trauma Symposium

May 6th – Emergency Medicine Conference – Springfield

Next meeting will be April 19th, 1300 hrs, Labette County EMS, Parsons.

Motion by T. Modesitt to adjourn the meeting, seconded by C. Mattes. Meeting adjourned at 1549 hrs.

