

**MID-AMERICA REGIONAL COUNCIL EMERGENCY RESCUE COMMITTEE
(MARCER)
July 15, 2011
MEETING SUMMARY**

PRESENT: (according to sign in sheet)

Chris Alexander, KCK Fire
Kent Cantrell, Excelsior Springs Fire
Nicki Carrolton, DMAT
Ben Chlapek, Central Jackson Fire
Angela Fera, Med-Act
Colin Fitzgerald, Lenexa Fire
Steven Holle, Belton Emergency Services
Susie Krug, St. Luke's East
Michael Latta, KCFD
Paul Lininger, Central Jackson County

Ted McFarlane, Jo Co Med-ACT
Donna Maize, KCFD
Ruby Mehrer, Life Flight Eagle
Kevin Pratt, Kearney Fire
Mike Snider, Liberty Fire
Tom Taylor, NRAD
Carolyn Wells, Liberty Hospital
Tina York, HCA Midwest
Jeremy Young, Fort Osage Fire

OTHERS Present:

Liz Carlton, University of Kansas Hospital
David Gustafson, Warsaw Lincoln/Lake Lotowana
Stephanie Droppelmann, North Kansas City Hospital
Kim Wyrick, Liberty Hospital
Dennis Allen, University of Kansas Hospital

MARC Staff

- Mike Hicks, Bill McCabe and Tanya Kraatz

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chris Alexander, Chair called the meeting to order and self introductions were made.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MEETING SUMMARY

A motion was made and seconded to approve the summary from May meeting and the June meeting agenda. The motion passed with all signifying "aye".

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- Time Critical Diagnoses

The subcommittee continues to work on the data collection form and how to transmit data. They are working on obtaining a secure fax and e-mails capabilities.

- Region A EMS Committee- Electronic reporting will soon be mandated for ambulances, A Grant is available through MODOT which will provide lap tops to first line ambulances, with the software from Image Trend being provided at no cost this will help the smaller ambulance providers with the costs of the State Mandated electronic reporting. The ability to leave a written patient report at the hospital has been an ongoing issue between Emergency rooms and EMS. This issue needs to be worked on regionally. Chief Cantrell suggested that MARCER work on and support a system that will insure the patient information is transferred at the time of drop off. General consensus was that MARCER will support a process that data is presented at the time the patient is transferred to hospital care.

- Joint Paramedic Recruiting

The deadline for scholarship applications is October 1, 2011 there remains 3 scholarships to be given for the fall. Posters are available for you to post.

- Communications – the Radio installation is moving forward once the new ones are installed the 1500 will be reprogrammed.
- Kansas State- the Governor appointed Walt Way to the 911 Cell phone Commission.
- Missouri State – The state is working on a committee to look at Missouri wireless 911 tax.
- T&E - The planning for the 2012 radiological exposure exercise continues, this event has been scaled back due to the real world event in Japan, 2011. The committee continues to look at the budget and it scheduled trainings and exercise. There are several events planned prior to the All Star Baseball game in Kansas City July 2012.

COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

- Hospital

Carolyn Wells advised that hospitals are planning on participating in the 2012 Radiological Exposure event. Additionally they continue to support the area hospitals in Joplin with rotating nurses into the region.

- D-MAT

They deployed to Joplin Disaster set up the Mobile Medical Unit and they are currently using the Medical Unit at the St. John's Hospital site.

A strike team will be deployed to the Missouri State Fair in August.

- HOA

Meeting on July 26, 2011

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mike Hicks reviewed the financial reports and advised those agencies that have not paid their 2011 Assessment will be receiving a second notice.

STAFF REPORT

Mike Hicks advised that Boundtree has purchased Allmed. The representative from Allmed advised that Boundtree will assume the current MARCER contract. Mr. Hicks reported that a meeting with Boundtree is scheduled for next week. Please watch for e-mails with additional information.

Medical Gas Contract- Mike Hicks reported that Medical Gas had offered to renew their contract with no additional costs. A motion was made and seconded to renew the Medical Gas contract as proposed. The motion passes with all signifying "aye".

OLD BUSINESS

EMS Summit- Ruby Mehrer reported on the conference and advised that this year's presenters are all excellent. Ms. Mehrer advised that participation for the conference is high.

NEW BUSINESS

Mike Latta reported that there are numerous outdoor events scheduled for the weekend of July 29-31, please be prepared as the excessive heat warnings will continue through that period of time.

The Stroke/STEMI meeting today at 10:00 a.m.

NEXT MEETING

August 19, 2011

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.