

**MID-AMERICA REGIONAL COUNCIL EMERGENCY RESCUE COMMITTEE  
(MARCER)  
June 17, 2011  
MEETING SUMMARY**

**PRESENT:** (according to sign in sheet)

Chris Alexander, KCK Fire  
Paul Berardi, KFD  
Tony Burr, Leavenworth County EMS  
Kent Cantrell, Excelsior Springs Fire  
Ben Chlapek, Central Jackson Fire  
Tom Collins, KCFD Ambulance  
James Fricke, Providence Medical Center  
Colin Fitzgerald, Lenexa Fire  
Steven Holle, Belton Emergency Services  
Steve Isaacson, Overland Park Fire  
Department  
Mike Johnson, Sni Valley Fire Protection  
Michael Latta, KCFD  
Joe Lay, Independence Fire  
Paul Lininger, Central Jackson County

Ralph Loar, Grandview Fire Department  
Ruby Mehrer, Life Flight Eagle  
Robert Norman, South Metro Fire  
Kevin Pratt, Kearney Fire  
Larry Radley, Liberty Fire  
David Rierson, Southern Platte Fire  
Douglas Short, West Peculiar Fire  
John Spencer, Lee's Summit Fire  
Jeff Taylor, Riverside Fire  
Tom Taylor, NRAD  
Jason White, MARC  
Dick Whipple, Lifeflight Eagle  
Tina York, HCA Midwest

**OTHERS Present:**

Cathy Moffett, All Med  
Dave Ediger, Miami County EMS  
Mark Haley, AMR  
Gary Martin, University of Kansas Hospital  
Michele Breit, Liberty Hospital  
Dave Gustafson, Odessa EMS  
Ted McFarlane, Jo Co Med-ACT  
Donna Maize, KCFD  
Rob Stottlemire, Grandview Fire  
Dan Hudson, University of Kansas Hospital  
Ken Cope, American Red Cross  
Teresa Lienhop, Truman Medical Center  
Kim Wyrick, Liberty Hospital

**MARC Staff**

- Mike Hicks, Erin Lynch 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

- Legislative –

Jason White

### Missouri

Renewed the FRA for 4 years

Safety Zones- passed not signed which would increase the fines and punishment for drivers who do not obey work zone safety signs which also not included accident areas.

### Kansas

FRA has received a start date of July 1, 2011.

The D-Block letter from MARCER will be drafted within the next few weeks; Senator Rockefeller is pushing the legislation.

Jason White asked for MARCER support on the following.

1. To create an advisory board to work on the FRA issue asking for a representative from each of the 6 regions.
2. Outside assistance for legal and financial conception support. Up to \$10,000 for legal and analysis of the program.
3. Work with other outside EMS agencies for financial support of the FRA project.

The approval would be a conceptual approval to allow for MARC staff to seek MARC Board approval for the financial portion of this 3 part request.

Tom Taylor made the motion and it was seconded to give conceptual approval to the items listed:

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The motion passed with all indicating “aye”.

- Time Critical Diagnoses

The group met and discussed the plan and looked at the new medications that are being used. Mike Hicks advised that a data collection subcommittee was created and met to discuss the data collection sheet. The hope is to move to a secure e-mail server in the future instead of the fax forms. There have been a few issue of the exchange of information between Hospital and EMS they have identified the issues and will be working on possible solutions.

- Joint Paramedic Recruiting

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

- Communications – John Spencer discussed the phone conference held with Commenco. They continue to work on the best way to reprogram and re-flash the radios.
- ReHab Project  
Reported that they have received 4 cooling fans and were able to test two of them during a recent community event, “Hospital Hill Run”.

Please provide your departments rehab regulation if you have them to Mike Hicks.

### **COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS**

- RSHCC  
Erin Lynch discussed the loss of the UASI funding in 2011. Ms. Lynch advised that currently RHSCC and staff are seeking alternative funding sources to maintain current projects.
- Hospital  
Reported on how the Metro Regions Hospital’s supported the Joplin Disaster with the deployment of approximately 95 nurses to date.
- 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.

### **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.

### **REGIONAL RESPONSE- JOPLIN MISSOURI**

The responding agencies discussed their experiences during the deployment to Joplin Missouri.

KCFD

MEDAct

Life Flight Eagle

Riverside

Kearney

Lee’s Summit

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There will be a vendor demonstrating Bio-Mist at KCK fire on June 29, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. Please attend if you are interested

MO EMS Conference and Expo in Branson, has been expanded to include a Joplin Response session.

### **NEXT MEETING**

July 15, 2011

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.