

**MID-AMERICA REGIONAL COUNCIL EMERGENCY RESCUE COMMITTEE  
(MARCER)  
November 19, 2010  
MEETING SUMMARY**

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

Paul Berardi, KCFD  
Tony Burr, Leavenworth County EMS  
Kent Cantrell, Excelsior Springs Fire  
Department  
Ben Chlapek, Central Jackson County FPD  
Tracey Chaney, Gladstone Fire Department  
Matthew Cushman, Raytown EMS  
Angela Fera, Med-Act  
Steven Holle, Belton Emergency Service  
Steve Isaacson, Overland Park Fire  
Michael Latta, KCFD  
Brad Mason, Johnson County Med Act

Ruby Mehrer, Life Flight Eagle  
Robert Norman, South Metro Fire Protection  
Kevin Pratt, Kearney Fire  
David Shost, KCK Fire  
Mike Snider, Liberty Fire Department  
Derek Sobelman, Olathe Fire  
John Spencer, Lee's Summit Fire  
Carolyn Wells, Liberty Hospital  
Jason White, MARC  
Tina York, HCA Midwest  
Jeremy Young, Fort Osage Fire District

**MARC Staff**

- Mike Hicks, Bill McCabe and Tanya Kraatz

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Kent Cantrell Chair opened the meeting and self introductions were made.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MEETING SUMMARY**

The summary from October and the November Agenda were approved.

**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Legislative –

FRA – Missouri FRA is waiting on the CMS if approved program will begin at the first of the year. Kansas FRA efforts will be on the agenda of the Kansas EMS Board.

911- This issue will be brought back into the forefront of the legislation.

Feds- Medicare cuts are significant in both Kansas and Missouri. Beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>. tracking mileage to submit, must be on the 10<sup>th</sup> of the mile.

TCD- Kent Cantrell report on that they met on Friday November 12<sup>th</sup> to finalize the plan and work on the demographic for the plan. The hope is to have the community plan before the MARCER Committee in January. Jason White and Mike Hicks are visiting the Hospitals and EMS Agencies in Region A to review the plan and help them to customize the plan for their area.

- Joint Paramedic Recruiting  
Three scholarships were awarded and MARC staff is waiting on the information back from the recipients to produce checks. Next year scholarship application will be taken for a March award period and an October award period.

- Communications – Mike Hicks advised that they will be meeting with Kansas City Missouri to discuss the transitioning of the ambulance radios. They will be looking at Kansas City new system and the ability of recording.

The deadline is July 1, 2011 to vacate the tower and begin taking it down.

- Training and Exercise  
Planning for the National level exercise which will be held April 2011 continues. The Kansas City regions role is still being defined.
- Patient Tracking  
Bill McCabe met with Kansas City Fire Department and discussed how the devices will work with their system. Additionally they will be working with Johnson County Med Act and meeting with the outside agencies on distribution of the hand held devices. Training materials will be provided.

### **COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS**

- DMAT- Nicki Carlton reported on the summer's activities and the equipment received.
- Hospitals  
Carolyn Wells reported on the Fall exercise completed on October 13<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Wells advised that each hospital will need to conduct a functional exercise prior to the end of the year. Planning continues for the earth quake 2011 exercise the MDNS will be activated.
- RHSCC  
Kent Dyer will be the co-chair of the committee. He will be replacing Rich Noll following his passing.
- HOA/MARCER  
A rehab team is being formed with 3 MARCER members and 3 HOA members to work on the Plan and specs for the rehab vehicle that is being purchased.

### **EMS UPDATES**

- **Kansas Board of EMS-** EMS- Chris Alexander reported that Steve Sutton was appointed Kansas EMS Director. Statue Changes from last year regarding Post exposure, Air ambulances look for a posting next Monday.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mike Hicks presented the financial reports and offered to answer any questions. The proposed 2011 budget was presented and will be voted on at the December meeting. Please forward any comments to Mike Hicks.

### **NEXT MEETING**

December 17, 2010

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.