



METROPOLITAN EMERGENCY MANAGERS COMMITTEE

Mid-America Regional Council
600 Broadway Kansas City, MO 64105

January 14, 2010 1:00 p.m.

MEETING SUMMARY

Present:

Mike O'Neal, Chairman-Platte County EM

Tim Lynch, Vice Chair-Overland Park Police, EM

Alan Altis, Superior Response Solutions

Andy Bailey, National Weather Service

Michael Baughman, Wyandotte, County EM

Steve Bean, KCMO EM

Les Boatright, KC Power & Light

Mike Boos, Raymore EM

Maureen Burke, SEMA

Kent Cantrell, Excelsior Springs Fire Dept.

Ken Cope, American Red Cross

Nick Crossley, Johnson County EM

Adam Crowe, Johnson County EM

Charles Duddy, Gladstone Fire Dept.

Bob Evans, Unified Govt. EM

Todd Farley, CJC Fire

Bruce Fisher, Blue Valley Public Safety

Jean Herrick, GSA

Rita Hoffman, City of Olathe EM

Susan Hoskins, Platte County Health Dept.

Chuck Magaha, Leavenworth County EM

Thomas Magee, GSA

Debra Maney, Volunteer

Beth Neland, Platte County Health Dept.

Amanda Oliver, Clay County EM

Mark Owen, Platte County EM

Mary Parrott, City of Overland Park/APWA

Karen Raines, FCC

Dan Robeson, Johnson County EM

D.C. Rogers, Clay County EM

Robert Russell, North Kansas City Police Dept.

Mike Shelton, Riverside EM

Mark Sherwood, Oak Grove/Sni Valley EM

Ken Smith, Lake Winnebago EM

Bill Stewart, KCTEW

Frank Stranimier, Raytown Police Dept.

Pete Sturner, Platte County EM

Stan Swaggart, Cass County EM

Chuck Thacker, Grandview Fire Dept.

Mike Van Aken, South Metro Fire

C.L. Webb, Wyandotte, County EM

Mike Wilson, KCTEW

Brian Young, Superior Response Solutions

Janell Young, Superior Response Solutions

MARC Staff: Julie Alt, Lisa Elsas, Keith Faddis, Barbara Hensley, Justin Sorg, Nikki Thomas, Sally McGraw

1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Mike O'Neal opened the meeting and all attendees introduced themselves.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY

Nick Crossley made a motion to approve the summary from the November meeting. The motion was seconded. All were in favor of approving the summary, none opposed.

3. PRESENTATION – *Asset Protection and Response System (APRS), Mike Corwin*

4. SUBCOMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE REPORTS

a. Citizen Readiness (Public Education/PCA/CERT/Safety City) - Rita Hoffman reported there will be a Citizen Ed meeting immediately following the MEMC meeting. Ms. Hoffman said the subcommittee would be discussing future media campaigns and invited members to share suggestions.

Mike O'Neal reminded members that Safety City will be the second week of February. The sign-up sheet for volunteers was circulated.

O'Neal also reported on the CERT meeting that preceded the MEMC meeting. They are finalizing the 2008 budget plan.

b. Communications – Mike O'Neal stated the roll call sign-up sheet was being circulated. Chuck Magaha stated the phantom interference has been eliminated. The antennae

will be installed on City Hall as soon as the weather permits. He reported there are ten agencies that have responded to the roll call two or fewer times out of the last five.

- c. WebEOC - Mike O'Neal reported the next subcommittee meeting will be January 25 at 1:00pm regarding the budget.
- d. Membership & Bylaws - No report
- e. Plans – Chuck Thacker reported Phase II of the Regional Coordination Guide is beginning. ESF 2 work group is holding its first meeting on January 15. More participation is needed.
- f. Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan - Justin Sorg reported the first draft was submitted to SEMA on 11/10/09. The final draft will be submitted 1/31/10.
- g. IWT - Andy Bailey reported that the survey he created has been distributed. He will report the findings. He stated the siren guidelines still need to be developed further to provide the region more consistent ways to communicate during weather events. He proposed another IWT workshop, perhaps in March, to determine accomplishments and next steps.

5. OTHER HOMELAND SECURITY/EMERGENCY SERVICES REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

- a. FY2010 UASI Proposals and Application Process - The FY2010 Kansas City UASI Proposal form was included in the meeting packet. The submission deadline is February 12. After discussion, members agreed a conference call would be organized for February 9 at 3:00 pm for all co-chairs and project leads to review the proposals that will be submitted on behalf of the MEMC and then brought before the committee for final approval at the next MEMC meeting on February 11. All proposals should be emailed to Julie Alt by February 8.
- b. Training and Exercise Activities - Lisa Elsas reported on the following training activities:

The Public Disaster Assistance workshop scheduled for January 6-7 was well attended. The JCCC campus was closed due to inclement weather on the second day of the workshop so it was held at the Johnson County Administration building in Olathe.

The Social Media Workshop will be held on January 21. There will be approximately 200 people in attendance. The workshop will be available by webinar.

Leavenworth County is hosting ICS 300 and ICS 400 next week.

Tim Lynch reported the MCI Exercise will be held on April 7. It will be a multi-site, multi-jurisdiction exercise.

6. STATE REPORTS

- a. SEMA - Maureen Burke reported the deadline for the NEMA survey is tomorrow (1/15/10), the NOAA grant application are due by February 12. She also stated Stan Swaggart is the new UASI liaison.
- b. KDEM - Nick Crossley reported that KDEM will be in the area tomorrow (1/15/10) to assess the snow storm situation to determine reimbursement of some of the costs incurred by jurisdictions.

7. OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

IAEM Awards - Mike O'Neal stated CEM Awards went to Les Boatright and Mark Owen and the Preparedness Award to Independence, MO and Jackson County for the Faith-Based Initiative program.

Mike O'Neal reported the PASS/MEIS Subcommittee is exploring other options for the document library and event calendar. Badging and credentialing systems are also being evaluated. Their next meeting is January 26.

Andy Bailey stated there are eight slots available for Weather Spotter Talks. Severe Weather Awareness Week is March 8-12. There will be a siren test on Tuesday, March 9 at 1:30 p.m. Bailey reported the concern of ice jam flooding. He stated this has not been a concern in our region since the 1970s but may be a concern this year and it is difficult to forecast. He also reported that the National Weather Service (NWS) is trying to eliminate storm path cast by city due to limited accuracy. The information on the TV news is actually more up to date than the information the NWS has access to. The NWS is also rethinking the directional zone references when reporting a warning or sounding a siren. When North/South is stated, some in the Central region of a state may not think they are included and disregard. The committee's opinion was to leave those directional references as is.

Mark Owen stated the Port Security Subcommittee has been involved in the port mitigation plan assessment. Seventeen targets have been identified. The subcommittee needs an inventory of all boats and other watercraft for the port report. Members were asked to email this information to Mark Owen.

8. NEXT MEETING

February 11, 2009

Handouts:

Meeting Agenda

December Meeting Summary

MEIS Calendar (Jan, Feb, Mar)

FY10 UASI Memo from Policy Committee

FY10 KC UASI Proposal Form

MEMC FINANCIAL REPORT

Status of MEMC Projects 011410