

Region 6 EMS

Meeting Minutes of July 17, 2019

Today's meeting was called to order at 1300 hours by Secretary K. Yoakum. The meeting was held at Crawford County EMS Station 2.

Board members present: **K. Yoakum, D. Bruner, C. Mattes, R. Grimmett, D. Cowan, R. Reissig, R. Pace, R. Long, M. Burnett,**

Absent members: **J. Wilhelms, C. Harrison, T. Modesitt, J. Reed**

Guests: Michelle Wolf-Freeman Health, Robin Welch-Midwest AeroCare, Rita Stiles- Mercy Hospital

Agenda: The agenda was presented. A motion to approve was heard from Mike Burnett and a second from Mr. Mattes.

Minutes of the April 2019 meeting were presented at the meeting. A motion from Mr. Burnett to approve the minutes was heard with a second by Mr. Long . All voted in approval.

Financial Report: Mr. Bruner reported the balances for the Education account \$13,093.57 and the General funds \$30,557.36. KRAF deposit has been received.

Sub-Committee Reports: No updates were heard from the Sub-Committee's

Allied Business & Committee Projects

KRAF Grant: Mr. Yoakum reported that the committee has not met since the last Region meeting. He reviewed some of the priorities of the grant process and tips to enhance chances for funding of projects. In October the committee will review the grant process and make any amendments and the grant cycle will open in early December with a deadline of early January.

Homeland Security Committee: Mr. Burnett advised that the project to equip regional services with PPE with regards to ballistic protection equipment was modified to better accommodate the projected funding. It will possibly be funded in the October meeting of the committee and an update will be returned to this Board.

SEK Regional Trauma Committee: Ms. Harrison was unable to attend. Dr. Stebbins stepped in for a short report. He reminded us that the statewide meeting is October 9th in Wichita.

EDTF: Mr. Yoakum attended the last conference call meeting. No new developments were reported.

MERGe: Mr. Bruner was unable to attend. Discussion about this group included that there seems to be some discord within the group and that most of the "old guard" has resigned and there is some discussion on how the group should proceed, funding streams and a re-evaluation of the mission of the group. The Board present felt that involvement with the MERGe group should continue to assess what opportunities may exist which will benefit the region. Updates will be provided to the group as they are presented.

CISM: Mr. Bruner had sent a quote to Mr. Pace for bonding/insurance for this group which was forwarded to the Board today through e-mail. The quote was for \$3,187.47 annually with a rider of a "Terrorism" clause. A motion was heard by Mr. Long to accept the bid with a second of Mr. Grimmett. All voted in approval. Also a training will be held at Downstream Casino on September 16-18, 2019.

KISS: Dr. Stebbins spoke briefly about the recent "Boot Camp's" in April. If parties are interested in attending these courses they can be found at www.kissnetwork.us

EMS-C: Recently Mrs. Clearly resigned her position to accept a position with Midwest AeroCare. We wish her well in her new role. It is not clear who her replacement is at this moment. Some discussion has been noted as to where EMSC is going to "land" also. It may be brought back under the KSBEMS system.

GOTH Update: Plans are proceeding with the 2020 Guardians conference. It will be a three day event again on Feb. 17th-19th, 2020 at Downstream Casino and Resort. Priorities for topics will of course be Stroke and STEMI but efforts to include pediatric tracts and presentations by Mr. Page are being considered.

Medical Director's: Dr. Stebbins addressed the group about an upcoming meeting of the MACC (Medical Directors Association) in Topeka on August 09, 2019 from 0930-1500. He asked that everyone encourage their medical director to attend. He discussed that the group is working on minimum standards for an EMS Medical Director in a system in Kansas and what that might look like with the distinct diversity we have in EMS systems in Kansas. A flyer was forwarded to the Board.

OLD Business:

QA/QI Project: Mr. Pace asked the group if there was interest in a Regional process where data would be solicited from the KEMSIS database for a quality improvement project in the area's of STEMI and Stroke. There is a trauma model in regards to the accreditation process involved with trauma program accreditation. The group seemed to be favorable to the concept. More information will be brought to future meetings.

DMSU: Mr. Pace asked if DMSU was still a "functional" group and if so what is the status. Mr. Yoakum responded that the group has become somewhat dysfunctional. He also stated that he would be willing to reach out to the members to seek input on how to revive it if there appears to be interest. He also eluded to some of the past difficulties in getting participation within the group and no objectives with respect to "training". Mr. Yoakum was asked if he would forward a copy of the roster to the Board also.

KEMSA Last Blast of Summer Scholarships: The Region is sponsoring 5 technicians from the Region to attend in 2019. Two attendee's are from Elk County, one from Montgomery County, one from Labette County and one from Crawford County.

MEMSA conference: New this year is that three attendee's from the Region are attending the MEMSA conference in early August. Two attendee's are from Labette County and one from Montgomery County. This years event is at Osage Beach Missouri.

Public comment: Rita Stiles, Mercy Hospital reminded us about the upcoming Time Critical Diagnosis (TCD) conference at Freeman Hospital on September 27, 2019.

The next meeting will be held at Coffeyville on October 08, 2019 @ 1300.

A motion of adjournment was heard from Mr. Grimmett and a second by Mr. Yoakum. All were in favor at 15:09.