

Minutes

EMS Technical Advisory Committee

Friday, January 28, 2005
8:30 AM
MEDIC EMS
Lower Level Conference Room
1204 E High Street
Davenport

Meeting called by: Decker Ploehn, Chairman

Notetaker: Pam Gealy

Attendees: Decker Ploehn, Denny Coon, Colleen Mulholland, Mark Hunt, Scott Roenfeldt, Ross Bergen, Linda Frederiksen, Mary Briones, Steve Wearth, Rob DeFrance, Gerry Voelliger, Mark Frese, Brian Jacobsen, Nick Border, Denny Kern, Mike Bladel, Phil Redington, Steve Knorrek, Richard Vermeer, Chad Harris, Mike Hayward, Ron Reinders, Larry Barker, Dave Kelly, Denny Conard, Greg Adamson, Ray Wierson, Walt Bradley

Agenda topics

Call to Order

Decker Ploehn called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

Introductions

Everyone in attendance introduced themselves.

Minutes of the 12-3-04 Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting held on December 3, 2004, were approved with a correction made to correct "Exxon" to Excelon under the Hospital Report.

IMAC and 28E Agreements

Mark Hunt reported on the Fire Mutual Aid Agreements. Total signed for Illinois is 16 and 10 for Iowa, which include Bettendorf, Blue Grass, Buffalo, Davenport, Durant, LeClaire, Maysville, Riverdale, Walcott and the Eldridge area. On January 19, 2005, the opinion from the Illinois Attorney General was approved for Bi-State to continue getting signatures on the agreements. The new agreement and signature pages are in the process of being sent to both state attorneys' office for recording, so everyone is encouraged to get their copies in as soon as possible. If some of the smaller departments don't have a safe place to keep their original, Mark offered to store them.

Gerry Voelliger reported that all IMAC's will be signed in the next three months. Signed so far are Davenport, Bettendorf, Scott County, Dixon, and LeClaire. Gerry and Ross will deliver blank forms, procedures, questions and answers to each department. The departments will give them to their city councils and fire boards to have them signed. Any legal questions can go to Gerry who will forward them to the Bettendorf City Attorney.

Homeland Security Report

Gerry Voelliger reported that the delivery of the command post will be before the end of May. A site visit will take place at the end of March and again at the end of April. Gerry would like Scott County Sheriff, Bettendorf and Davenport police departments to contact him as soon as possible with the make and model of your hostage phones. The information is needed in order to install the jacks on the truck.

All 56 pagers from the first grant cycle have been handed out. 128 are included in the second grant cycle.

Davenport Fire received training on the new RAMP system. A system that can test all white powders.

Denny Coon passed around a brochure for the Biological Chemical Threat Agent Sample Collection Conference being held for three days in Cedar Rapids by UHL.

Full Scale Exercise for Scott County

Ross Bergen will be contacting Larry Barker and Denny Coon to set up a meeting to go over who will be participating in a region wide exercise. This exercise will be assisted by the Titan Corp. and is required by Homeland Security. Members of the original grant funding group will be contacted to assist.

Larry Barker and Denny Coon reported the State has adopted a quarantine law and meetings will have to be scheduled to go over issues with the county attorney and law enforcement.

CDC and HRSA Report

Denny Coon reported that around 4 – 5 Region 6 Health Departments attended a CDC planning meeting last month. The Region 6 CDC Education Conference will be on March 2, 2005 in Cedar Rapids at the Kirkwood Center. Denny will email more information at a later date.

Dave Kelly reported that their grant funds will mainly focus on training this year. HRSA's focus is on the Health Alert Network and communication. He also described the Decontamination Unit.

Nick Border said planning and training are taking place for Trinity's Decontamination Unit.

Larry Barker reported the CDC state wide planning team will be going to Atlanta to work with CDC and other states.

SCEMSA Report

Brian Jacobsen reported that all purchases from the spring riverboat grant were passed out at the January 20, 2005 meeting.

Elections were held and all members stayed the same with the exception of Vickie Huston being voted for Secretary.

The new protocols are available on the website for downloading.

All yearly Needs Assessments are due to Chief Brix by March 1, 2005.

The next Fire Chiefs meeting will be combined with EMS. It's March 31, 2005 at McCausland. The EMS bureau representative will go over the licensing process for all EMS services within Scott County.

The HRSA EMS Disaster Preparedness funding grant this year awarded \$7676.00 to each county in Iowa. The money will be used towards pediatric care for education and mass causality. Meetings will take place to decide on specific items and the deadline for the grant is August 30, 2005.

Quality Management Report

Linda Frederiksen reported that Jamie had a meeting with Mitch Tollerud concerning the website. Denny Coon commented on getting the original group together to review updates.

The new Spinal Immobilization assessments are out in the county, but Brian reported they haven't been handed out yet because of the last class being held today.

Denny has presented new reporting measures from the transporting agencies to the Scott County Health Department.

Next meeting will be March 17, 2005.

Scott County Fire Chief's Report

Scott Roenfeldt reported having great attendance for the meeting in Maysville last night. Items discussed were the Mutual Aid Agreements and the Riverboat grant. They received only half of what was requested for the grant and now have to decide how it's going to be dispersed.

No radio problems reported.

First round of pagers have been distributed from the Homeland Security grant.

The Fire Chiefs pledged another \$3,000.00 to the Fire School.

Elections were held and all positions remain the same. President is Chief Larry Guy, Vice President is Scott Roenfeldt, and Secretary is Kevin Brix.

Next meeting will be held jointly with EMS. In McCausland on March 31, 2005, 7:00 p.m.

EICCD Report

Mary Briones extended a thank you to EMS and the Riverboat grant for all of their new equipment.

Five basic EMT courses are in session.

The Iowa Paramedic Specialist class is in session until November 22, 2005.

Last weekend the college held their first EMS refresher class with great success. This class will be offered on a yearly basis.

A 24 hour EMT basic refresher course will be held at the Isle of Capri February 18 - 20, 2005. Cost is \$50.00 for the course or \$3.00 per hour and walk in registration is accepted.

The national EMT basic and First Responder testing will be held at the Urban Center on February 12, 2005 with the practical exam at 7:30 a.m. Written exams are at 9:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. Call Kevin Lucas at the Career Assistant center to sign up. Mary had flyers available to pick up after the meeting.

CPR Saturday is on February 19, 2005 at the Isle of Capri. Pediatric Rescue starts at 8:30 a.m. followed by brunch and a presentation with Dr. Bradley. Cost is \$5.00.

Steve Wearth reported a Fire Service Instructor class will be in held at the Urban Center in February.

Ice Rescue is a two day class, in February, which includes Bettendorf Fire at the Bettendorf training center.

Motor Sports Fire and Rescue is a two day class at the Belmont campus March 19 – 20, 2005.

A regional Fire School will be held at the Rock Island Arsenal on April 23, 2005. This is a joint effort with Iowa, Illinois, and the Arsenal fire departments. Different courses offered are: Iowa state will bring in their burn trailer, Illinois will bring in a propane simulator, a class on rescuing other fighters called Rapid Intervention Team, Hazmat, and EMS. Steve thanked the Scott County Fire Chiefs Association for all of their support.

Linda commended Mary and Steve for all their efforts to provide additional educational training.

Hospital Report

Dave Kelly didn't have anything to report other than what was discussed earlier about the HRSA grant.

Colleen Mulholland and Dr. Vermeer didn't have anything to report.

Law Enforcement Report

Denny Conard reported the 28E Agreement was signed by the City of Davenport. After a technical issue is worked out it will be forwarded to the Scott County Board of Supervisors and the City of Davenport for their perusal and discussion. He will then contact the Sheriff in Rock Island county and keep Mark Hunt informed of the progress.

Mike Bladel reported on still trying to get a Join Terrorism Task Force grant for a full time position. Joint dispatch is moving forward and Bi-State is coordinating efforts to find a RFP that's been used before and to select a committee.

Other Items of Interest

Mark Frese inquired about Med Force having to sign a 28E Agreement in order to be able to understand and have clear guidelines for standard operations between agencies. Decker suggested having attorney's Mary, Greg, and Ted look at the requirements and bring those results back to the EMS group.

Linda requested anyone who is involved with the MCI RV planning see her afterwards to schedule a meeting.

Mark Ridolofi did not show up for this meeting.

Reminder that upon receiving an email from Ross about the full scale exercise in July, be sure to reply who you're designating to be on the committee.

Next Meeting Date 2-25-05

Next meeting is February 25, 2005.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.