

Minutes

EMS Technical Advisory Committee

Friday, April 27, 2007

8:30 AM

MEDIC EMS

Lower Level Conference Room

1204 E High Street

Davenport

Meeting called by:

Decker Ploehn

Note Taker:

Linda Johnson

Type of meeting:

Larry Barker, Ray Wierson, Ross Bergen, Linda Frederiksen, Kathy Hall, Brian Jacobsen, Ron Reinders, Dave Helfrich, Denny Coon, Dave Kelly, Andrea Bladel, Don Gano, Dr. Richard Vermeer, Dennis Conard, Chuck Gipson, Phil Redington, Scott Roenfeldt, Paul Andorf, Steve Knorrek, Dale Sievert, Gerry Voeliger, Tricia Steines, Jerry Shirk, Jeremiah Cowgill

Agenda topics

Call to Order 8:35

Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves

Minutes of the March 30 Meeting

Approved unanimously.

Homeland Security-EMA Report

Ross Bergen – The Emergency Management office moved from the courthouse basement to Bettendorf Fire on State Street, to make room for the Police Department’s interim dispatch center. Three old obsolete sirens will be decommissioned. No flooding appearing on the Mississippi, there is some slight flooding on the Wapsi river. The April 4th anti-terrorist Exelon exercise at Cordova Nuclear plant was held, improvements with the JIC (Joint Information Center) are needed. The Foreign Animal disease exercise is set for June 19th for training, the 20th for the exercise and 21st for the after action review. Seven area counties will be participating. On August 9th there will be a full scale exercise on the Rock Island Arsenal.

Communications Study Report

Ray Wierson – Legislation for allowing a joint communication structure and funding it passed the Senate and the House and is now on the way to the Governor for signature. An amendment pursuant to a 28E agreement was added. The radio study is moving forward. It should be completed this summer. Two of the major players in the nation regarding infrastructure and business models, Motorola and Raycom are expected to have a presentation day on the types of technology available and bridging the interoperability issue, an all day event is tentatively set for May 22nd. The site has not been determined yet. Funding is also an issue.

Public Health Planning Report

Denny Coon – The PIO Group met to start the process to develop some protocols concerning a JIC and to set up some activation measures on how a JIC would be activated. Exelon had a very positive report on the drill at Cordova. The Education Small group will be meeting to discuss pandemic planning on the 9th of May at AEA to move forward with the process of preparing for a pandemic in the school and college setting. IDPH still does not have a director. The grant guidance for next year’s PHP grant will be coming out in May. The Isolation & Quarantine policy and procedure is still moving forward. A meeting with law enforcement, government officials and volunteer organizations needs to be completed. Dedicating a portion of the TAC meeting could accomplish this. The drill and exercise committee will meet after the TAC.

Hospital Planning Report

Kathy Hall (Trinity) Trinity is planning on participating in the August drill at the Arsenal. A pediatric disaster drill is scheduled for June 12th. Trinity is up for their recertification for the trauma center. Dave Kelly (Genesis) wanted to thank everyone that helped get volunteers for the disaster drill. Genesis is trying to finish up with the grant deliverables. Andrea Bladel – May 2nd is the trauma conference, Alex Drum, an EMS liaison for the ROC study will be talking about the study. The conference will be from 12:00 – 1:00pm.

SCEMSA/PAB Report

Brian Jacobsen – The Meeting was held Thursday April 19th. Discussion of Riverboat grant spending from last year was held. This year's application has been submitted. A protocol work shop was held to revise the protocols and put some advanced protocols in place for adult and pediatric populations, etc. Also mentioned, an education process needing to be done for the community on "Do not resuscitate orders". Information needs to get out on the forms and process on DNR. This may be a project for the PIO's to take education to nursing homes, hospice, CASI, Generations, etc. to inform this population on what items are needed so that the responders will know the wishes of the individual. Iowa Emergency Medical Association has resources as far as brochures, etc. Linda Frederickson can contact them to see what information can be received. Decker suggested acknowledging the Riverboats for their years of participation with a plaque. New protocols and the new ACLS guidelines were talked about at the PAB.

Scott County Fire Chiefs Report

Scott Roenfeldt – no meeting last month, next meeting May 24th in Dixon.

EICCD Report

No one present to report

School Preparedness Report

No one present to report.

Law Enforcement Report

Dennis Conard – The new Light truck is in service and also available with traffic control devices for temporarily blocking traffic. Discussion was had on the ability to have the traffic signs on the interstate activated for accident alerts. The Quad City Bomb Squad participated in the Bishop investigation in Dubuque.

Other Items of Interest

Linda Frederickson – Asked if there was an extension on the MCI-RV, Gerry V. confirmed that there has been a six month extension. Paul Andorf – talked about the First Watch program triggers (GI, Respiratory, fever illness, deaths), they can be customized, and how to track them.
The MABIS decontamination truck was available for viewing after the meeting.

Next Meeting Date 5-25-07

Linda Johnson to look into the “TAC Me Out to the Ballgame” date in July.

Adjourn 9:30