

Minutes

EMS Technical Advisory Committee

Friday, April 25, 2008

8:30 AM

MEDIC EMS

Lower Level Conference Room

1204 E High Street

Davenport

Meeting called by: Lawrence E. Barker, Guest Vice Chair
Type of meeting: Regular Monthly Meeting
Note taker: Amy Cannady

Agenda topics

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Exercise Planning Committee – After TAC

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Attendees:

Larry Barker, Ross Bergen, Bill Boom, Walter Bradley, Amy Cannady, Jonathan Clinton, Dennis Conard, Denny Coon, Dan Darland, Linda Frederiksen, Mark Frese, Chuck Gipson, Joann Gillaspie, Kathy Hall, Dave Helfrich, Brian Hitchcock, Jane Imming, Dave Kelly, Steve Knorrek, Lee Meyers, Travis Noyd, Orville Randolph, Phil Redington, Scott Roenfeldt, Ike Sederstrom, Tricia Steines, Jamie Temple, Richard Vermeer, and Chris Webster

Agenda topics

Call to Order

Everyone introduced themselves.

Minutes of the February 29 Meeting

Discussion: Lawrence E. Barker

Motion to approve the March 28 meeting minutes was seconded and approved unanimously.

Homeland Security/EMA Report

Discussion: Ross Bergen

Scott County is currently under a severe weather and flash flood watch until 1:00 pm today. River levels have now changed, but there is expected to be a downward trend until Saturday, April 26. On Tuesday (April 29) afternoon, the flood stage should be at 17.8, and a Governor's Proclamation may need to be made.

The letter from the state on NIMS requirements for FY08 have been received. Individuals from Fire, EMS, and Law Enforcement must be compliant for the federal grants they receive. Ross is currently working on getting a list together of the individuals who still need to complete the NIMS 300 & 400. NIMS 300 is required by 9/30/08 and NIMS 400 is required by 9/30/09; both are two-day courses. Once the list is compiled, we will try to get a class (during daytime hours of the work week) where we can show definite support and number of attendees.

EMA will be providing support for the upcoming May 1 exercise by opening the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), as well as a small Joint Information Center (JIC) that will be headquartered out of Bettendorf City Hall.

Ross has requested feedback to schedule training at the EOC for the radiological emergency response plan.

Ross will be putting together a workgroup to create protocols for the new MCIRV, and he would like personnel from Fire, EMS, and Law Enforcement to be involved. Please contact Ross or Paul Andorf from MEDIC to volunteer to be a part of this workgroup.

Communications/Consolidated Dispatch Report

Discussion: Brian Hitchcock

Brian introduced himself as the new SECC Director. He explained that he was just four weeks on the job, but that he has had past experience and has been involved with the consolidation of two facilities, with the most recent one being in the Chicago area.

He is currently working on putting project timelines drafted for both hardware and personnel. The plan is to have the Consolidated Dispatch open in the later part of 2010, and in the meantime, the building project designs and phone systems are being worked out. The building will house four communication systems, which include the EOC, mobile command center, MCIRV, as well as a video monitoring system. Brian is also involved in putting together a technical advisory committee that will be looking at subgroups needed for projects and other committees. This committee will meet for the first time on May 8, 2008, and will include the Director, Deputy Director, Technical Advisor, and Quality Control person.

Public Health Planning Report

Discussion: Denny Coon

The Health Department is currently planning for the regional exercise on May 1, which is one of the grant requirements for both public health and hospitals in FY08. A phone call was received regarding usage of the mobile command center for the exercise, but because the drill is functional in nature, usage of the mobile command center would not be justified. RSVP is currently recruiting and will be providing the volunteers for the local hospitals to interact with during the exercise. The Exercise Planning Committee will meet after the TAC meeting today.

The Health Department continues to meet with community partners for planning purposes. Denny and Dan Darland, Region 6 Planner, recently met with Community Health Care, and will meet soon with Crow Valley ORA.

Denny and Amy Cannady are currently working on their regional deliverables for the FY07-08 grant year, and after the exercise, they will be focusing on specifics for the county's Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP). Next Monday, April 28, Steve Mercer will be coming down from the state to hold an SNS node site training at the Health Department, to explain how a distribution site would work and to review work plans.

Hospital Planning Report

Discussion: Dave Kelly / Tricia Steines / Travis Noyd/ Chris Webster

Dave reiterated that everyone involved in the May 1 drill is to meet afterwards to discuss specifics.

Tricia explained that Genesis has been busy with the Department of Inspections and Appeals the last two weeks, as well as planning for the May 1 exercise. Genesis will be supplying one representative for the EOC, and one for the JIC.

Travis stated that Trinity was also gearing up for the May 1 drill, and that they would also be sending one representative for the EOC, as well as one for the JIC.

Chris explained that Genesis Illini's involvement for the May 1 drill would depend on the number of volunteers RSVP was able to recruit, in order for them perform a decon exercise.

SCEMSA/QM Report

Discussion: Denny Coon/ Chuck Gipson

Denny explained that the next EMS Association Meeting will be held on May 15 at one of the Davenport stations, and that everyone should attend who would be along the actual route for RAGBRAI. Bob Libby from Care Ambulance has been named the lead for RAGBRAI, and will be coordinating all of the issues involved. Additional resources, like Trinity ambulances, may be called upon to help out during the race. RAGBRAI is expecting 20,000-30,000 bicyclists, and possibly up to 35,000 when counting support staff and spectators.

Scott Roenfeldt asked what the county's involvement is expected to be, and Denny explained that RAGBRAI already has the entire course covered, but that we will play a support role if needed.

The last EMS Association was held in Dixon, and grant status was discussed as to where things were at with the application. The training grant application needs to be completed by April 30, 2008, in order to make a recommendation to the Board of Health at their May 15 meeting.

At the last Physician's Advisory Board meeting was held on April 2, and MAST trousers were voted out. MEDIC is putting together a list of all medications available now. Chuck explained that intranasal medications for combative patients have been added to the protocols. Denny stated that patient refusals training has been ongoing with Law Enforcement, and that more work on this subject will continue once Brian Jacobsen returns to work.

Scott County Fire Chief's Report

Discussion: Scott Roenfeldt

There was no fire chief's meeting in April. The next meeting will be held on May 22, 2008 in Maysville.

Education Report

Discussion: Jamie Temple

Jamie stated that the Quad City Midwest Regional Fire School will be held on May 16-17 at the Rock Island Arsenal. In addition, representatives from METI, a simulation vendor, will be at the Urban Center on April 29 at 9:00am for a demonstration. Please contact Jamie directly if there is interest in attending.

Anyone interested in getting their paramedics to the National Registry basic level, should send these individuals to the next basic practical exam on June 7 at Scott Community College.

Lastly, EMS certification hours are available for participating in the May 1 drill, but you need to let Jamie know ahead of time for the correct paperwork to be completed.

Tricia Steines asked if CEUs would also be available for nurses participating in the drill, and Jamie explained that he believes there would be and that he would check into that in the meantime and let the committee know the outcome.

Law Enforcement Report

Discussion: Dennis Conard

Dennis explained that the information provided at last month's TAC meeting regarding the Civil Air Patrol was not all together correct. Instead, Ross must first be notified, next the state, and then a conference call with the HSC in Des Moines. Activation of the Civil Air Patrol will then be decided on, and help deployed. Since timing could be an issue once protocol is followed, help would come more in the form of recovery instead of response.

Partner Agency Reports		
Discussion:		
N/A		
Other Items of Interest		
Discussion:		
No new discussion		
Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
Next Meeting May 30, 2008		