

# Minutes

# EMS Technical Advisory Committee

Friday, December 3, 2010

8:30 AM

MEDIC EMS Lower Level Conference Room

1204 E High Street

Davenport

**Meeting called by:**

Sheriff Conard

**Type of meeting:**

Regular Monthly Meeting

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SECC Report

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Public Health Report

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### Attendees:

Amy Cannady, Ross Bergen, Nick Border, Mary Briones, Mike Brown, Dennis Conard, Terry Conklin, Dennis Coon, Dave Donovan, Linda Frederiksen, Chuck Gipson, Robert Gonzales Sr., Kevin Greenley, Brian Hitchcock, Brian Jacobsen, Dave Kelly, Steve Knorrek, Nita Ludwig, Jeff Means, Adam Meuser, Lee Milner, Steffan Nass, Linda Nielson, Phil Redington, Ed Rivers, Scott Roenfeldt, Gary Ronzheimer, Jack Rudsel, Brenda Schwarz, Jerry Shirk, Jamie Temple

### Agenda topics

Call to Order-Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves.

Minutes of the 10-29-10 Meeting

Motion to approve the October 29<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes was seconded and approved unanimously.

### Homeland Security, EMA, IMT Report

Discussion: Ross Bergen, Denny Coon, Jerry Shirk

Ross reported on the nuclear power plant exercise that took place on November 17<sup>th</sup>. The evaluated exercise takes place every two years and is required by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and FEMA. Overall, the exercise went well. Ross attended the Iowa Governor's Security Conference in Des Moines, and the overriding theme for the first day was the usage of critical thinking skills during an emergency. The importance of NIMS and ICS, and the role that strong decision making skills has in assuring that those structures are effective was also discussed. Interoperable communications was another subject that received much attention. Additional topics included Mass Fatality Management, Emotional Crisis Management, Effective Distribution of Medical Countermeasures in Disasters, Safe Water Systems in Disasters, and Children and School Systems in Disasters. A link has been added to the EMS website regarding Children and Disasters information. Lastly, the Volunteer Management Program will be added to the monthly agenda.

Denny added that the Health Department was contacted by Iowa American Water regarding ICS training. He will work with Ross to provide the training in the near future.

Jerry reported Rock Island County has a Volunteer Management Program already established. He is willing to share protocols and what has worked well for them. Jerry added that it would be beneficial for both counties to partner on a Volunteer Management Program for the Quad Cities.

### SECC Report

Discussion: Brian Hitchcock

Brian reported the SECC building is currently on track. Gloria continues to work on the CAD/RMS System with the various departments. They are currently in the hiring process for one to two Dispatchers and an Administrative Assistant. Currently, they are on track to bring MEDIC EMS on at the end of March. Lastly, Pam and Mike attended a Policy and Procedures writing school.

### Hospital/Healthcare Report

Discussion: Brian Jacobsen

Brian reported to the group that Trinity College of Nursing and Health Sciences have decided to focus their attention on their Bachelor and Master of Nursing Programs instead of the Certificate Programs for EMTs and Paramedics. Discussion followed.

### Public Health Report

Discussion: Denny Coon, Nita Ludwig

Denny reported the Health Department is currently working on new Point of Distribution (POD) locations. They have toured the Scott Community College, Belmont Campus and will be working on an MOU with the college. The Region 6 Education and Exercise Coordinator resigned from her position and a possible replacement for the remainder of the grant year is being researched. Denny added that there is a movement for hospitals and public health to put their plans in an Emergency Support Functions (ESF). Currently the EMA's are putting their plans in this format.

Nita reported that Denny and she met with Mark Hunt, Bi-State Regional Planning Commission, to discuss the utilization of a database maintained by Bi-State for elected and appointed officials representing the Quad Cities. This database will be released to the Scott and Rock Island County EMAs for use during an emergency response and resource management through the new local area IMT. Nita recently attended a Regional Medical Reserve Core meeting. The meeting addressed how to utilize the identified volunteer core in day to day public health as well as other training the volunteers may need. The meeting also spoke about the National Level Multi-State Exercise in May that will be based on an earthquake along the New Madrid fault. It is a federal exercise that will take place May 16<sup>th</sup> thru May 20<sup>th</sup>. Nita also explained she received training from individuals from Texas A & M University Preparedness Division regarding mass prophylaxis. She is working on getting the trainers to come to the Quad Cities for some similar training for public health and the hospitals.

### EMS/Fire Service Report

Discussion: Brian Hitchcock, Scott Roenfeldt

The Scott County EMS Association and Scott County Fire Chiefs Association held a joint meeting on November 18<sup>th</sup> at the Scott County Administrative Center. The Fire Chiefs group held a Strategic Planning session prior to the regular meeting lead by Dan Ebener from St. Ambrose University. Highlights of the combined meeting were centered around the upcoming service reauthorization for EMS provider agencies by the IDPH Bureau of EMS. All Scott County provider groups will expire on May 31, 2011 and have a 90 day window to complete the reapplication process. By Iowa Code, each service has to have the application completed 30 days prior to their expiration date, which means all services must have their applications completed by May 1, 2011 to be compliant with the code. Protocols will have to be updated and each service must be current on their training records and their information on the IDPH EMS System Registry. Grant spending plans for both groups were updated. Brian Hitchcock briefed the group on the progress of the SECC building project. The next meeting for SCEMSA is scheduled for December 16, 2010 at Durant and Scott County Fire Chiefs next meeting is January 27, 2011 in Dixon.

### Law Enforcement/Intel/TSA Report

No Report.

### Follow up on "permit to carry"

Discussion: Sheriff Conard

Sheriff Conard wrote a request to the County Attorney for an opinion in regards to the new gun law. A copy of the opinion has been distributed. It was the opinion of the County Attorney to call local law enforcement to turn the weapon over to them. However, it is advised that agencies contact their legal counsel for their opinion.

Education Report

Discussion: Mary Briones, Gary Ronzheimer

Mary reported that the Basic Refresher course is scheduled for February 18, 19 and 20, 2011. Gary added that they are currently working on coordinating a Fire Fighter I Course in central Scott County with more details to follow. They are also exploring offering a First Aid Officer Down course.

Other Community Partner Reports

No Report.

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