

## Region 4 EMS Council, Inc.

**Region 4 EMS Council  
Meeting Minutes  
October 10, 2017  
Plum Creek Restaurant, 121 W. Court Street, Beloit**

### Those attending:

Dave Beam, DK Co EMS  
Rod Rees, EW Co EMS  
John Hultgren, DK Co EMS  
James Reed, KBEMS  
Kelly Hawk, MC Co EMS  
Pam Kemp, Region IV EMS

Eric Hamel, MC Co EMS  
Karl Leech, Minneapolis EMS  
Dwayne Yager, Salina Fire/EMS  
James Buller, Concordia Fire / EMS  
Shane Pearson, Salina Fire EMS

**Meeting called to order** at 1005 by Dave Beam, President

**Approval of Minutes of August 8, 2017 minutes** – Rees/Hawk

**Treasurer Report** MSA Rees / Leech

**Guest presentation-** Cory Altman requested time to present information on fire extinguishers to the group. Contact AKE Safety Equipment at [www.ake.com](http://www.ake.com) or 507-421-0758 or contact Cory Altman directly at 785-819-2783.

### Old Business:

- Legislative Update – James handed out the possible list of topics for legislative action for 2018 Legislative Session from Jason White. The KS BEMS will likely be either supportive or neutral on the listed topics. John Hultgren reported that KEMSA has its Strategic Planning session soon to determine what topics they will actively pursue. John also gave an update on legislation in the system and how those bills are progressing in Washington DC, primarily reimbursement issues. Some of those issues could negatively affect Kansas EMS agencies.
- Edu Grants – We sent 13 people to KEMSA. None have submitted the required certificate of attendance.

### New Business:

- Notice of the Kansas Resuscitation Summit 2017 and the MARCR Patient Safety Boot Camp were sent to the e-mail list
- Updates from KS BEMS Meetings – the only committee meeting held was investigations. Operations by the end of the week will only have 12 left. Will start hitting initial instruction courses this month for audits. KSBEMS identified 251 non-transporting entities in the state. Service recognition program application is completed and will be sent out soon. Info on that is on the website. There are some medication expiration dates that have been expanded. If you have those, contact BEMS for instructions. Working on the medical director process. KSBEMS has been approved as a mobile test site by Pearson Vue. The site security procedures and cyber security must be the same as for a stand-alone, brick and mortar type test site. BEMS will be bringing in the computers for use at the test site. Certification renewal phone calls are starting to be received.

### **Committee Reports**

- Salina Regional Health Center Updates – Giroux – not present
- EMS-C Updates – Cleary – not present report sent to Dave. Kansas had a 100% participation in their recent assessment survey. EMS pediatric safe transport classes – if services are interested in hosting that class, contact her or Safe Kids.
- Data Collection / KEMSIS– Beam – KEMSIS training is tomorrow in Salina. Bring laptops, power cords etc. the executive board approved expense for lodging for the instructor and we are also required to pay the facility fee since Salina Fire is not hosting the event. Expenses up to \$1000 were approved for the event at the last meeting.
- EDTF – Champlain / Wicks / Yager – Duane Yager, got the first announcement that the meeting was cancelled.
- Regional Homeland Security Council – VanBlaricon / Hultgren – John reported that the CO2 monitors will be purchased with FY2017 funding.
- KRAF grant – Coleman / Beam – Kathy was not present. Dave hasn't heard when the application review will happen.
- Regional Trauma Council – Buller / Cramer – last meeting they noticed some budget issues that may limit numbers of training they can fund.
- MERGe Update – Hultgren / Beam – did have one small activation when Norton County Correctional Facility disturbance occurred. Ended up with 12 or 13 trucks on standby in the area until it was resolved.
- Regional Testing Update – Voss – not present, James does not have any info from Eric. Test in Concordia on January 20
- Website – Kemp – nothing new on website, please consider which date in 2018 your service will host a Region IV meeting. Pam will bring the meeting date list for next meeting.

### **Round Table Discussion – All (*as time allows*)**

**Ellsworth County** – has an exercise with one of the nursing homes and with the correctional facility

**Concordia Fire/EMS** - EMT in progress in Miltonvale

**Dickinson County EMS** – is friend with an EMS Chief and has gotten updates from him, very interesting lessons learned and After Action information.

**Minneapolis** – doing CPR for the local fire departments. EMT class in Bennington. Trying to get approval for new ambulance.

**Mitchell County EMS** – Nothing new.

**Salina Fire /EMS** – several in paramedic classes. Otherwise pretty quiet

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 1245.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Kemp, Region IV Coordinator

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### **LOCATIONS FOR 2017 MEETINGS!**

- 12/12/17 - Concordia