

## Region 4 EMS Council, Inc.

### Region 4 EMS Council Meeting Minutes February 9, 2016

### Salina Fire Station #1, Salina KS

#### Those attending included:

Shane Pearson, Salina Fire/EMS  
Courtney Siemers, CY Co EMS  
Marvin VanBlaricon, CY Co EMS  
Pam Kemp, Region IV EMS  
Kathy Coleman, Miltonvale EMS  
Tracy Cleary, EMS-C  
John Hultgren, DK Co EMS  
Rod Reese, EW Co EMS  
Dave Beam, DK Co EMS  
Eric Voss, Concordia Fire/EMS

James Buller, Concordia Fire / EMS  
Shannon Meier, JW Co. EMS  
Patrick Eastes, SM Co. EMS  
Kelly Hawk, MCCo EMS  
Bret Kingan, LCCo EMS  
Christan Butler, SRHC  
Rachelle Giroux, SRHC  
Craig Bloom, Genentech  
Darrian Soper, Salina Fire/EMS

#### Approval of Minutes of December 8, 2015 minutes – MSA Rees/VanBlaricon

#### Treasurer Report – MSA VanBlaricon/Rees

#### Old Business:

- **Legislative Update** – Jason's latest update was distributed. He has been putting them on the list serve as updates occur. Several bills are working right now, so details change quickly. Members should stay informed on the issues through the list serve updates. KRAF Grant funding may be affected by changes in the funding structure.
- **PHTLS Instructor issue update from last meeting** – VanBlaricon – Has contacted Bill Auchterlonie in Wichita but hasn't heard back. Still trying to figure out best way to keep a ready pool of instructors. Also would like to be able to library a cache of textbooks so they are available when needed. Suggestion is to order 15 – 20 of each book. MSA Beam / Rees to purchase 15 each of the PHTLS and EPC books to be maintained by CY Co. EMS and loaned to classes in Region IV as needed.

#### New Business:

- Educational Grant application approvals MSA to approve / VanBlaricon/Coleman for 4 from Republic County
- Regional PH Ebola TTX – April 15, 2016 at Webster Conference Center

#### Committee Reports *(may be held until next meeting unless urgent due to time constraints)*

- **Salina Regional Health Center Updates** – Giroux – This report was moved to the top of the agenda to allow SRHC personnel to leave on time. Rachelle did an update on the stroke program at the hospital. Goal is to be a Primary stroke center by the end of 2016 to ensure the same highest quality of care 24/7/365. Will be sending encrypted e-mail back to the service that transported the patient to update them on the status. It will be the same as for the trauma system. Discussion of the assessment findings the hospital wants to receive. Cincinnati scale is fine, be sure to get last known well time. Advanced Stroke Life Support training will be available in the regions soon. KISS – Kansas Initiative for Stroke Survival is in almost every hospital in the state organized into standardizing their stroke protocols and capabilities. The hospitals get a list of referral numbers they can call immediately to get assistance with patient care decisions. Eventually a website and training materials will be funded. Hospitals will be receiving a letter asking them to renew their affiliation with KISS. Educational Feb 21 and 22 Guardians of the Heart, April 21 and 22 Stroke STEMI summit in Wichita. EMS4Stroke website has multiple resources for EMS providers. Additional updates on available training of both providers and instructors will come soon. The goal is to provide a continuous protocol of patient care from first field contact through hospitalization.

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Some discussion of whether or not Salina Regional wants the 12 lead sent during EMS transport or just for STEMI patients. Shane will do some follow up on that topic for the next meeting.

- **EMS-C Updates** – Cleary – met with the preparedness group Friday afternoon and have been working on a disaster plan for pediatrics. Working on the strategic plan for EMS-C that includes both EMS and Hospitals. Some changes to EMS-C will affect EMS and Tracy will work with services to meet those requirements. EMS-C, Trauma and KSBEMS are working on a project ..... Preparedness – recommendation is to attend the classes coming into Olathe and Wichita. Tracy has been working on a emoji based tool that will help with pediatric assessments.
- **Data Collection / KEMSIS**– Beam – some progress! Image trend elite is coming out. Chad Pore has taken the lead on the transition to Image trend Elite since KS BEMS does not have a data collection person. Chad has sent information out via list serve. The support for the current version will end by January 2017 so it is hoped the transition from Image Trend to Image Trend Elite will be completed by then. Dave reported that staff transition should be easy to do, a small learning curve, but most should find it intuitive. Several questions about the long term survivability and solutions for the statewide data collection project. February 26 in Salina will be a user group meeting for those using the current version of KEMSIS and Elite. Dave encourages users to attend that meeting for updates. That notice was sent out on the list serve and also by Region IV.
  - **EDTF** –Wicks/Champlain / Kiser –working on policy and procedures, not a whole lot going on per the report given at the KSBEMS meeting last week.
  - **Regional Homeland Security Council** – VanBlaricon / Hultgren – The CO Monitors were distributed at the meeting. Working on the 2016 project development. Open for suggestions from the group as to what needs might be there for a 2016 project. Question on ballistic vests for EMS, unknown how we could afford that big of a project.
  - **KRAF grant** – Coleman / Beam – Have about 70 applications meeting later this month to review the grant applications. \$1.7 million in requests so much work will have to be done sorting.
  - **Regional Trauma Council** – Buller / Cramer – meet tomorrow. PHTLS instructor issue will be a topic of instruction. Some discussion of ensuring that the annual meeting contains information pertinent to EMS.
  - **MERGe Update** – Hultgren / Beam – Marvin presented the MERGe support bill for this year. Pam will pay it right away. Meeting later this month. Region III is setting up a display of their resources in Wichita in March. In April will participate in the statewide Full Scale Exercise. Will likely help with the Symphony in the Flint Hills too.
  - **Regional Testing Update** – Voss – Test sites held in Concordia and things are going good. Some things they want to change can't be changed due to us not having control.
  - **Website** – Kemp Please double check the contact information for your service on the website and notify Pam of any needed changes.

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

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#### Adjourned to restaurant for lunch -

EW – Purchased a new 2016 Osage to replace the one that was totaled in the crash. Neither technician involved in the crash is back to work yet. It may be a very extended recovery for at least one of the technicians involved.

JW – Nothing new to report

CY – Just finished EMT class and testing. Starting an AEMT class at the end of the month. Working on final details for new ambulance purchase

DK – Call volume up 10% last year. Doing an EPC class with CY County EMS

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Miltonvale – Been busy. Could not hear most of report due to restaurant noise.

Concordia – Call volume up. Hired a new position and certified 2 of the office staff. Unable to hear rest of report due to restaurant noise.

MC – EMT Class and building changes. Unable to hear rest of the report.

LC – Bret Kingan is the Interim Director. He had a few questions on purchasing Easy IO and supplies. EW and SA will assist him.

SM – filling vacancies with less staff. Also received new ventilators

Salina Fire – 3 new MICT. Out to bid for new ambulance. New state construction is officially finished. Call volume has been up significantly.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pam Kemp, Region IV Coordinator

### **LOCATIONS FOR 2016 MEETINGS!**

- April 12, 2016 – Clay Center
- June 14, 2016 -- Ellsworth
- August 9, 2016 -- Concordia
- October 11, 2016 -- Miltonvale
- December 16, 2016 -- Belleville