

**Region 4 EMS Council, Inc.**  
**August 11, 2015 Minutes**  
**Ellsworth County EMS**

**Attending:**

Kathy Coleman, Miltonvale EMS  
Dave Beam, Dickinson County EMS  
Joe House, BEMS  
Tracy Cleary, EMSC  
Rod Reese, Ellsworth County EMS

Patrick Eastes, Smith County EMS  
Eric Voss, Concordia Fire/EMS  
Marvin VanBlaricon, Clay Count EMS  
Shane Pearson, Salina Fire/EMS

**Approval of Minutes June 2015:** Approve Minutes Rod/Marvin

**Treasurer Report:** No Report

**Old Business:**

- Concordia trailer generator- just getting it back – No cost under warranty
- Outstanding certificates – Miltonvale emailed to Pam last week

**New Business:**

- August BEMS Meeting–
  - Looking for ideas on ways to improve ambulance inspection policy
  - Executive – KRAF grant authorities released
  - 4 Federal Bills – not likely any will pass
    - Multiple transport – highest likely hood to pass
    - Field EMS bill – need more sponsors
    - Doc fees schedule – may be viable to set rates for fees
  - Education-
    - CE regulation clarification
    - Legal recognition for instructors
      - 3 regulations that would possibly open up
  - Investigations-
    - Most deal with practicing outside their scope
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> was narcotics violations
  - Planning & Ops-
    - What care is available in what areas of the state
    - Staffing – ALS/BLS
    - Mapping those resources out
  - Sepsis Training in every region
  - EMS Compass Project-
    - switch off ambulance fee schedule and move to care provided reimbursement model
- Educational Grant Approvals – 4 full KEMSA conference for Miltonvale – motion to approve Marvin/Rod
- Region 4 elections – Elections at October meeting in Concordia

**Committee Reports:**

- SRHC – Giroux:
  - Shane reported she is busy with lots of paperwork and working on ACS
- EMS-C Updates – Cleary:
  - Pediatric Mini Conference for Region 4 – Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> CCCC, Concordia.
  - Starting to send out performance measures and disaster preparedness.

- Develop a recognition system that recognizes pediatric patient care- is it warranted? Is it needed? Consensus is that a program may not be helpful to recognize that a hospital is pediatric “friendly”. A sticker on the door is not going to make a parent take their child to that facility for treatment.
- Pediatric hospital opening by next year in Wichita – Wesley contracting with OU Pediatric Medical Center.
- EPC 3.0 release will be in October the earliest, details to follow.
- Data Collection/KEMSIS- Beam:
  - No movement or update – too many variables on the state level and troubles with collecting the data from different departments.
  - Discussion on data collected for ambulance licensures, ie, accidents by ambulances and need for classes for training. If BEMS collects that data, who uses it and for what?
  - No current data out from data collection- ie, falls over 60 in any given area and fall prevention training for that service and their residents.
- EDTF- Weeks/Champlain:
  - Trying to reorganize with changes in committee members
- Regional Homeland Security-VanBlaricon/Hultgren:
  - Completing 2013/2014 funding and starting to release 2015 funds
  - Projects
    - CO monitors for each ambulance in Region 4 to put on jump kits.
    - Intruder/Active Shooter for schools program. For school personnel. Schools need approval through County EM or Brad Homman/Dickinson County. Schools should get notification for the 8 hour program.
    - More thermal imaging cameras coming
    - Active shooter for first responders – future discussion
- KRAF Grant -Coleman:
  - No update from Kathy yet- meeting will be in late September or early October
  - Changes in KRAF process for next round
  - Discussion on history of KRAF recipients and how it has evolved over the years.
  - Additional discussion on Region IV assisting new directors/administrators, etc. Involvement from other services which have not been involved and do not participate in any programs or don’t know how to get involved. Marvin putting together New Director resources information packet.
- Regional Trauma Council – Buller/Cramer:
  - Meeting this month in Beloit
  - Trauma criteria guidelines discussed by Joe House
    - Requests good EMS representation for the Regional Trauma Council
- MERGe Update – Hultgren/Beam:
  - Worked Symphony in the Hills
  - Participated in Field Ops in Hutchinson
  - Standby for medicine Lodge event coming
  - Added mini LARC’s – Region 4 now has 7 available across the region
  - Working to set up DMSU using Regional concept
- Regional Testing Update – Voss:
  - Test site September 17<sup>th</sup>
    - Nobody registered yet but expect Kansas City will have students coming due to failure rate at previous site in their region
  - Test site December 6<sup>th</sup> in Concordia
  - Discussion for testing criteria at test sites
- Website- Kemp:
  - No update

### **Round Table Discussion:**

- Dickinson
  - Kids Camp completed – 30 kids – successful
  - County Fair over
- Miltonvale
  - Grain Engulfment training Sept 29 & 30
  - Tootlefest - August 22nd
- Clay County
  - County Fair over
  - EMT class – 9-10 students
  - Bid for 2 ambulances
- Concordia
  - 130+ patient transfers
  - Approved hiring 3<sup>rd</sup> person on staff
  - Approved new ambulance
- Smith
  - 2 employees starting paramedic class
- Ellsworth
  - No update
- Salina
  - 2 Employees headed to critical care paramedic class
  - Fire rehab patients have good outcomes
  - New Fire Chief
- KEMTA & KEMSA having booths at each others conferences

### **Meeting Adjourned**

1:39 PM

Coleman/Marvin