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SOUTHWEST REGIONAL EMS COMMITTEE  
Cox Medical Center South  
ED Command Center  
Springfield, MO

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March 15, 2013

**Members Present**

Bob Patterson, Chair 11/01  
Susan Crum 11/01  
Mark Alexander 11/01  
Larry Beatty 11/01  
Janet Jordan 5/08  
David Hoover 5/08  
Ted Shockley 5/10  
Jim Morgan  
Jack Bates (pending appointment)  
Jeff Hawkins (pending appointment)

**Members Absent**

Jim McGee 1/06  
Marc Kaufman 5/08  
Sean Smith 5/10  
Michael Krtek 11/01  
Denny Baier (pending appointment)

**Appointment**

**Guests**

Kenneth McKenzie  
Chris Hoag-Apel  
James Cooper  
Darrell Donham  
Donna Hughes  
Sandra Woods  
Rita Stiles  
Angeline Hein  
Neal Taylor  
Jason Henry  
Russ Conroy  
David Compton  
Larry Faulkner  
Jami Blackwell  
Jim Lawrence  
DJ Satterfield  
Matt Benzen  
Luke Walker  
Morgan Young

**TCD Subcommittee** – the TCD Subcommittee met prior to the Regular Meeting.

**Lunch Presentation**

A lunch presentation on the Missouri EMS Mutual Aid Plan was presented by Bob Patterson, EMT-P. Representatives of the Mutual Aid Working Group (who drafted the plan) include MAA, MAFC, MEMSA, ADAM, MHA, SAC, and MOAAMS.  
Thank you to CoxHealth for providing lunch today.

**Call to Order**

Bob Patterson, Chair, called the Regular Meeting to order at 1300. A quorum was established.

**Review and Approval of Previous Minutes**

Minutes from the January 18, 2013 meeting were reviewed and approved as written (first and seconded by Mark Alexander and Larry Beatty).

**Old Business:**

**TCD Update and Report from Subcommittee**

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Report given by Mark Alexander: Held a 2 hour TCD meeting before the Regular Meeting; was productive. Discussion on how to create our regional plan. Waiting to see which hospitals are going to participate and at what level. Quality Improvement – lack of peer protection for medics is a problem, but achievable under the Missouri Center for Patient Safety. Discussion of rotation of the meetings and having a physician at the host site do a TCD presentation (CMH is hosting the next meeting). Discussion on a feedback mechanism for EMS – i.e. website to post information on.

### **Legislative Update** – Mark Alexander

- Changes at the Bureau of EMS – Greg Natsch resigned as of 1/31/13 and has been replaced by Les Jobe. Shirley Gastler and Cindy Gillham are gone. Dr. Muzzafar went to Medicaid.
- There are 3 open positions on SAC which may be an overarching reason why our committee applications haven't been addressed. Mark will approach Les Jobe about this.
- Legislative bills – there are more things now than in recent years –
  - Debt Set-off bill – has been heard in the House and Senate and passed out of the Senate. Some minor revisions made.
  - 911 Bill – died this week; might be resuscitated later.
  - Safety Zone violation – is going well
  - HB 335; Communicable Disease legislation; Rep. Henson – requires that if EMS has an exposure, a patient will be tested and the employee notified. Also includes due process language regarding licensure actions by the Bureau (right to due process). Also language regarding community paramedics in Missouri; language needs revision and restructuring.

### **Southwest HealthCare Coalition Update** – Russ Conroy and Jason Henry

- Asper (?) funding comes thru the coalitions. There were the Springfield Coalition and the Region D Coalition. Expansion outside of Region D including Lebanon, Rolla, Mt. View and Salem becoming the “Southwest Health Care Coalition”. Neal Taylor and Morgan Young sit on those committees also.
- April 1, feds will be here to look at a federal alternative care site at JQH Arena.
- Exercises coming up: 4/11/13 – Greene County “twisted twister” exercise at the Greene County EOC. 4/18/13 – Earthquake drill at MSU West Plains campus
- (Jason Henry) – State Coalition Council meeting held last week. Three groups over 2 days; tremendous amount of work accomplished.
- Web EOC – “pages” for different sectors; EOC activations; activation for the Southwest Coalition
- RHSOC – *hospital representation* and a voting member have been added to RHSOC; Jason Henry is primary, Russ Conroy secondary.

### **Medical Director Comments** – Dr. Jordan

Dr. Jordan was complimentary of the purpose and value of the regional EMS committee and its accomplishments. Will plan to leave Dr. Jordan on as a regular agenda item.

### **Other Business:**

- Matt Benzen gave a presentation on Mercy Lifeline's IFR program which will go into effect April 1.
- Regional Education Offerings/Other Announcements – Larry Beatty mentioned that Barton County Hospital is looking for a new administrator.

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**Next Meeting Date:** May 17, 2013 at Citizens Memorial Hospital, Bolivar.

**Adjournment** – meeting was adjourned at 1400.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Crum, RN, BSN, CCRN