

Region D RHSOC Meeting Minutes

June 22, 2007

1:00 P.M.

**Springfield Fire Station #6
2620 W. Battlefield**

Attendance:

RHSOC Members:

Chris Berndt, Emergency Management
Jimmy Sebree, Fire
Angela Ford, County Health
Mitch Randles, HSRT
David Edwards, Industry
Bill Deal, Utilities
David Hoover, EMS
J.R. Webb, 911
Rick Lewis, Volunteer Groups
David Brock, Public Works
Michael Pfander, Agriculture

Ex-Officio:

Diane Smith, DHSS
Debby Black, DSS

Larry Forgey, MDA
Kurt Kysar, MDC
Lt. Colonel David Boyle, 7th CST (WMD)
Candy Adams, SEMA
Diane May, SMCOG

RHSOC Alternates:

Rick Lewis, Volunteer Groups
Tom Martin, Stone County EMD
Greg Hickman, HSRT
Kent Vanderpool, 911

Guests/Visitors:

Bob Kittsmiller, Dade Co EM
Ryan Nicholls, Greene Co OEM
Michael White, Redings Mill FD
Greg Gaines
Rick Mammen, MU Extension
Rebecca Ray, Spfd-Greene Co Health Dept.

Staff:

Dorothy Wittorff-Sandgren, SMCOG
Stephanie Leibach, SMCOG
Joe Kelley, HSTCC
BJ Straw, Kaysinger Basin RPC

Open Meeting:

Jimmy Sebree opened the meeting at 1:05 p.m. Self-introductions were made.

Approval of Meeting Agenda:

J.R. Webb moved and David Hoover seconded the motion to approve the June 22, 2007 agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of April 18, 2007 Meeting:

Rick Lewis motioned and Dave Edwards seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2007 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Report on June 6, 2007 HSAC Meeting:

Chris Berndt reported on the June 6, 2007 HSAC meeting. Each investment justification study group presented their needs and recommendations. Not all investment justifications will be funded.

Discussion on 2007 Investment Justification Prioritization:

Dorothy Wittorff-Sandgren explained that SEMA is requesting the RHSOCs to rank the 2007 investment justifications for the state and region. Several questions were raised regarding certain investments.

David Hoover responded to a question on medical surge, indicating that this is not a part of HRSA funding. Angela Ford responded to a question on HRSA funding, stating that HSRA funds go to hospitals, not public health.

It was noted that prime movers were not discussed at the HSAC meeting and the need for these was questioned. J.R. Webb responded to a question on the state level 911 committee, indicating that nothing has happened yet.

Ryan Nichols asked about MERIS. Chris Berndt indicated that the next big step in MERIS is GIS. The GIS component is a big portion of MERIS functionality. MERIS replaces E-Teams.

The RHSOC members were asked to get with their disciplinary groups, rank the investments, and bring the rankings to the July meeting for discussion and final ranking.

Update on status of Region D 2006 Homeland Security Program Grant Program:

Diane May indicated that the grant award agreements with SEMA were finalized. Procurement procedures have been worked out and the first procurement will be for the staff positions. SMCOC staff is working with Red Cross to procure the Mass Care/Volunteer Resource Coordinator position.

Discussion followed on the template Purchase Agreement. Several members raised concern about the requirement for MOUs, indicating that hundreds of MOUs could be required for equipment that would be made available regionally. It was stated that Chapter 44 of state statutes addresses mutual aid and it was recommended that the section of the Purchase Agreement dealing with MOUs be revised to reference the Missouri Revised Statutes, Chapter 44. Ryan Nichols indicated that he would be attending a SEMA meeting in Jefferson City the following week and he would ask if this proposed revision to the MOU requirement could be made.

Tom Martin also noted that the requirements for insurance were appropriate for vehicles to be purchased, but that the requirement as written would be problematic for equipment or other materials. Diane May will talk with Mr. Martin to work up a revision for this in the Purchase Agreement.

The RHSOC was asked to further review the Purchase Agreement template and to contact SMCOC staff with any other comments or concerns.

HSRT 2nd Alternate Position:

Mitch Randles noted that Dan Whisler retired. Greg Hickman becomes the 1st alternate and the HSRT working group recommends David Hall be appointed as the 2nd alternate for HSRT.

J.R. Webb motioned and Rick Lewis seconded the motion to accept recommendation for David Hall to serve as HSRT 2nd Alternate. Motion carried unanimously.

Compliance Requirements for Law Enforcement and Fire Services:

Chris Berndt reminded everyone that law enforcement agencies and fire services must be in compliance with reporting requirements of state statutes, including Section 43.505 RSMo and Section 590.650 RSMo for law enforcement agencies, and Section 320.271 RSMo for fire services. Any law enforcement or fire services organization that does not comply is ineligible to receive funds or equipment purchased with homeland security funds. It was suggested that requirement for registration be added to Purchase Agreements.


Other Business:

It was noted that information is needed for location placements of the veterinary response kits in the counties. The subcommittees should meet before the next RHSOC meeting to work on details.

Adjourn:

J.R. Webb motioned and Rick Lewis seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.


Chris Berndt, Region D RHSOC Chair


Date Approved