SOUTHWEST REGIONAL EMS COMMITTEE
MO EMS Conference & Expo
Branson Convention Center
Roark Creek Room
Branson, MO
July 26, 2016

Members Present  Appointment  Guests
Bob Patterson, Chair  11/01  Steven Barnett
Susan Crum  11/01  Shannon Hobson
Mark Alexander  11/01  Leah Cook
Jeff Hawkins
Jami Blackwell
Dr. Matt Brandt

Call to Order/Welcome and Introductions
Bob Patterson, Chair, called the Regular Meeting to order at 1404. Welcome and introductions were made. Grace Potter introduced Sarah Woolford and Joy Mello, new employees for the CoxHealth Stroke Center.

Establish Quorum/ Review Agenda
Inadequate number in order to establish a quorum. No noted additions to the agenda.

Review and Approval of Previous Minutes
Minutes from the April 29, 2016 meeting were distributed. No quorum in order to approve the minutes.

Old Business:
SAC Updates
• TCD Update – no reports

Legislative Update – Mark Alexander
• Several good things occurred in recent legislative session.
• President signed the House Resolution 1818 bill (Veterans Support Act) which supports veterans coming back from the military to be able to bridge to EMT or EMT-P. Missouri’s regulation mirrors what federal has done. Training entities in MO have clear direction now.
• Senate bill/Omnibus bill - included several EMS items: regional committees; regional Medical Directors are now Board members; establishes a 4 year term.
• Bill making CPR mandatory before high school graduation
• Narcan administration by First Responders – bill passed
• Behavioral health bill – provides protection for EMS. Physicians can place under 96 hour hold for transfers from facility to a mental health facility.
• GEMT

SAC Air Subcommittee Update – Susan Crum
• Air ambulance group hosting the Active Shooter class today as a pre-conference to Expo. Excellent speaker and great turnout.
• Group successful in getting the hospital helipad legislation passed and enacted. Letter from MHA went out to hospital administrators advising them to no longer install fencing, etc. at hospital helipads.

Southwest HealthCare Coalition Update – Russ Conroy
Bob gave a verbal update given to him by Russ Conroy.
• Committee has recently been restructured
• Deb Hobson is new EMS representative
• Alternate Care Site drill on 8/12/16 at the JQH Arena, Springfield

Medical Director Update:
We received nominations for 2 individuals for the role of regional Medical Director, with a tie vote of 2/2 for Drs. Tom Lewis and Matt Brandt. Dr. Matt Brandt has agreed to be the southwest regional Medical Director. No updates/reports from Dr. Brandt at this time.

Other Business:
Poison Control Center Update – Kathy Hahn from Missouri’s Poison Control Center (St. Louis) gave a presentation on the role and types of calls that the Poison Control Center receives. Kathy will be manning a booth at the Expo if individuals would like to visit with her.

Regional Education Offerings/Other Announcements
• Pediatric Abuse seminar – tomorrow at Mercy
• David Miller symposium – September 22-23, 2016
• ABLS course – 9/30/16 at Mercy
• Cardiovascular Summit – October 15-16, 2016 at CoxHealth

Other – Bob Patterson and Mark Alexander attended a meeting with Cox Monett hospital regarding use of an EMS short form when agencies can’t leave a complete form, particularly on TCD patients. This form allows them to at least know who the ambulance was, and allows standardization of patient information \(\rightarrow\) improved safety. Part of the issue is there is no check and balance as to whether an ambulance document that was sent, was actually received. Bob will make requested changes to this form and send it back out to the committee.

Next Meeting Date: Pending; Bob will send out to the group.
Adjournment – meeting was adjourned at 1450.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Crum, RN, BSN, CCRN