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SOUTHWEST REGIONAL EMS COMMITTEE  
Cox South ER Command Center  
Springfield, MO

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May 11, 2012

**Members Present**

**Appointment**

**Guests**

Bob Patterson, Chair  
Janet Jordan  
Larry Beatty  
Patty Parrish  
Mark Alexander  
Ted Shockley  
Sean Smith  
Jim McGee  
Janet Jordan  
David Hoover  
Dr. Sean Smith

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Jack Bates  
Jason White  
Jeff Hawkins  
Velvet Reed  
Dr. Matt Brandt  
Chris Mattes  
David Compton  
Sonny Saxton  
Jami Blackwell  
DJ Satterfield

Robert Minter  
Russ Conroy

**Members Absent**

David Hoover 5/08  
Susan Crum 11/01  
Marc Kaufman 5/08

**Call to Order**

Bob Patterson, Chair, called the Regular Meeting to order at 1310.

**Introductions** – Chris Mattes, new outreach coordinator for Lifeline, Velvet Shultz, Trauma Director

**Review and Approval of Previous Minutes**

Minutes from the February 2012 meeting were presented for review and were approved as written. Motion to accept by Mark Alexander; seconded by Larry Beatty .

**Establish Quorum/ Review Agenda**

Quorum established; no additions or changes to the posted agenda.

**Old Business:**

**SAC Updates**

**Committee Reports:**

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**TCD Task Force Subcommittee report** – All education items are completed and awaiting state approval. Once all approved rollout for public education. Regulations are moving after spending some time in the Attorney's office, currently at the Governor's office

**Aircraft Subcommittee**

**Medical Directors Subcommittee**

**Communications/911** Jason White gave an update on the 911 cell phone tax initiative. Not likely to move this year for a variety of factors. The 911 and other groups are loosely organized. Strategy is to build support for future legislative sessions. It will take support of all Emergency Services organizations to pass. Jason provided a status map of 911 map which illustrates current coverage.

14 counties currently do not have formal 911 centers and route calls to the appropriate Sheriff's Office or Police Department.

Sonny Saxton discussed efforts for next gen 911 in the state. A committee has been formed to address the various of mediums that 911 calls may be received i.e Facebook messaging, video etc. Many counties still do not have access to EMD.

**ARA (FRA)/Debt Set Off Update** Mark Alexander gave an update on the status of ambulance reimbursement allowance program. Services are receiving funding with one additional mass adjustment anticipated. A survey is in progress of all providers. 0-5 miles review all charges to ensure that providers are being paid.

Debt set-off is present on two bills currently and still moving forward although we anticipate some opposition from the Senate.

**PSO Update** Jason White gave an update on activities of the PSO effort for EMS in the state. Program is somewhat stalled as it relates to provider participation. Funding after year three of the current agreement has been identified to continue the program.

The annual PSO conference is May 15<sup>th</sup> in Columbia. Registration is free.

Just Culture update provided by Mark Alexander. Training is available.

**Metropolitan Healthcare Coalition** Russ Conroy gave an update the Healthcare Coalition efforts in region D

**EMS Mutual Aid Plan** – Bob Patterson provided an update on the progress to date in revising the Statewide Mutual Aid plan. Next steps are to present the draft changes to the SAC and request authorization to begin polling the Regions to identify coordinators for both ground and air.

**Fire Scene Rehab procedure** – Bob Patterson provided an update on the subcommittee scope of work to date on the development of a Regional Guidance for rehab on the fire scene. Brian Athen has offered to present the program at our next meeting as the lunch educational opportunity.

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**Regional Updates**

- Decisions in Trauma (CoxHealth) – May 18, 2012, Evangel University, Springfield
- June 20<sup>th</sup> regional communications exercise. Will include amateur radio operators.
- EMS Week May 20<sup>th</sup>
  
- Joplin Update – Dr. Smith provided an update on the recovery efforts in Joplin. Annual EMS Appreciation event will be May 25<sup>th</sup> at the Holiday Inn all regional services are invited. A great deal of progress from Memorial Hall to the tent hospital, then to the modular structure up to the recent opening of the component hospital until the new hospital is completed 424 beds, eight story facility.

**Next Meeting Date/Location:**

The next meeting will be July 27th at Mercy - Springfield .

**Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Patterson, Chair