



**Capital Area Trauma Regional Advisory Council**  
**Executive Board**  
**August 28, 2014**  
**12:00 – 2:00 pm**  
**CATRAC Offices**  
**4100 Ed Bluestein Blvd Suite 207, Austin 78721**

**MINUTES:**

- I. **Call To Order** - Kenny Schnell called the meeting to order at 12:13pm
  - Roll Call of Executive Board & Introductions:
    - **Phone:** Karla Hosick, Diana Kraus, Cristy Knapp
    - **Present:** Kimberly Gill, Ben Oakley, Darlene Parker, Sharon Muzny, Ken Strange, Sylvin Mersiovsky, Annie Burwell, Mike Elliott, Kenny Schnell
    - **Absent:** Dr. Neel Ware, Scott Fernandes, Pat Pratt
  - Review of July 24, 2014 Ex. Board/General Membership minutes. The minutes were reviewed by all, and will be approved at October 23rd meeting. No Action Taken.
- II. **Treasurer & Financial Report** – Ken Strange provided the Treasurer report. Ken reported that the HPP grant closed out, he reported that they are having to send \$10,455.99 back to the State due to not expending all the funds. He reported that we just received the FY15 RAC money. The Injury Prevention checks will be issued tomorrow so that line item will zero out. A motion to approve the Financial Report was made by Sylvin Mersiovsky, seconded by Cristy Knapp. 9 voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.
- III. **Public Comments** - There were no public comments.
- IV. **Chair Report** - Kenny Schnell provided the Chair Report. Kenny reported that he had the opportunity to attend the GETAC meeting last week. Kenny provided an update on the HDE project, he stated that they are providing ePCR for 4 agencies. He reported that the talks with the Seton Network are still ongoing. Diana Kraus further added that they are having a meeting on Tuesday at DCMC to talk about the HDE project, they are writing a project scope and it is looking favorable. Kenny reported that there will be a Medical Directors meeting on October 23rd from Noon to 1pm, and asked everyone to encourage their Medical Directors to attend.
- V. **Executive Board Action Items** - Dave Reimer presented an item regarding a charter for the Capital Area Public Health and Medical Preparedness Coalition. The coalition serves a multi-disciplinary coordinating group to facilitate collaboration and cooperation throughout the region to ensure partners have the capability to mitigate against, prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergency and planned public health and medical events. There was a considerable amount of discussion regarding the history of this group and what they had accomplished over the years. Mike Elliott commented that while this group has been working together over the years, this is just a process to actually formalize what this group is doing. There was significant discussion by various board members questioning why this group is even needed and what they are going to achieve. Additional concerns were raised about what funding this group would need. An idea was proposed by Dr. Aydelotte to make the coalition its own nonprofit agency, but Mike Elliott says that the group does not need funding. A motion to gather these stakeholders for a meeting on September 12th and discuss the formation of this coalition and the draft charter was made by Dr. Aydelotte, seconded by Ken Strange. 10 voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.
- VI. **Executive Director Report** - Dave Reimer did not have any additional comments to add for his Executive Director report today.
- VII. **DSHS Update** - There was no DSHS Representative present for an update today.

## VIII. Trauma Centers Update

- UMC Brackenridge - Dr. Aydelotte advised that they have broken ground on the new Brackenridge, Dr. Brown was interviewed on TV. He also reported that they will be hiring a Chair of Surgery this year.
- Dell Children's - Mike Hastings reported that they recently had a MCI that resulted in 5 critically injured pediatric patients being transported to Dell. They needed better pre-notification, EMResource should help this though.

## IX. Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF) Update - Dave Reimer will distribute information about the upcoming EMTF7 meeting.

### X. County Representative Updates

- **Burnet** - Darlene Parker reported that Lakefest went well.
- **Llano** - Cristy Knapp reported that things are going good in Llano County.
- **Hays** - Ken Strange reported that SMHCEMS has 5 new ambulances on order from Horton and they are switching to STRAC Zoll ePCR.
- **Fayette** - Sharon Muzny reported that they are busy preparing for Fair & Rodeo, and their community paramedicine program is going good.
- **Lee** - Sylvin Mersiovsky had no report.
- **Travis** - Keith Noble reported that UT football has started, they are preparing for COTA races coming up, and that ACL is coming up in October.
- **Blanco** - Ben Oakley had no report.
- **San Saba** - Dave Reimer reported that San Saba County EMS will be closing its doors on October 1 as Capitol Ambulance prepares to take over EMS in San Saba County, based on a decision made by the County Judge and Court.
- **Williamson** - Kenny Schnell had no report.

### XI. Committee/Workgroup Reports and Action Items

- **Air Medical** – [Traci Fox and Terri Thompson] - No Report
- **Bylaws** – [vacant] - No Report
- **Cardiac Care** – [Dr. Wozniak & Dr. Giglotti] - Amy Jones presented the Mission: Lifeline STEMI Fast Track to Cath Lab Guidelines in an effort to reduce patient time in the ED on STEMI cases, based on data collected. Ken Strange made a motion to accept the Mission: Lifeline STEMI Fast Track guidelines, seconded by Kenny Schnell. 9 voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried. Amy Jones also reported that they are working on tweaking the STEMI activation criteria to possibly include posterior MI's.
- **Education** – [Sarah Leach & Vangie Barefoot] - Kim Gill reported that the committee is working on planning the next conference.
- **Injury Prevention** – [Stewart Williams] - Dave Reimer reported that the committee is working on collecting reports and distributing funds for this year's mini-grants.
- **Performance Improvement - Trauma** – [Dr. Aydelotte] - Dr. Aydelotte presented the committee report. He stated that there has been a considerable amount of discussion between UMC Brackenridge and Austin Travis County EMS regarding development of a field amputation process & team. Dr. Aydelotte reported that if any of the agencies in the region need a field amputation to contact Austin Travis County EMS and they will get with UMCB and send a trauma surgeon to the scene to complete the field amputation process.
- **Pre-Hospital** – [Jim Persons & Robert Hartigan] - Jim Persons reported a survey will be coming out regarding provider numbers so that the RAC can distribute CAT Tourniquets throughout the region and reported there was a lot of other good information sharing today.



- **Regional Preparedness & Response Committee (RPRC)** – [Freddy Krail & Mike Elliott] - Dave Reimer reported that they discussed the grant requirements and that they are changing the agenda for grant requirements to more clearly define Committee discussion and its relation to a particular grant capability.
  - **Stroke** - [Dr. Morton] - No Report
  - **Trauma Coordinators/Registry** – [Karla Hosick & Diana Kraus] - No Report
- XII. Events / Exercises** - Glenn Spradlin reported that the November 5th all hazards exercise is still on as planned.
- XIII. Other Business** – Dave Reimer added that St. David's Main will not have Acute Interventional Stroke coverage this weekend. St. David's is actively recruiting additional staff to help with coverage
- XIV. Discussion / Scuttlebutt** –
- Chris Alexander provided a quick update on the EMResource revamp and provided a demo to the Executive Board.
  - Dave Reimer shared that Marcie Wilson got a national recognized award for Community Outreach and Education in Hispanic populations and was featured in the newspaper.
- XV. Adjourn** - A motion to adjourn was made by Ken Strange, seconded by Ben Oakley. 9 voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried. Kenny Schnell adjourned the meeting at 2:12pm.

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Respectfully Submitted,  
**Ben Oakley, BA, LP**  
*Board Secretary - CATRAC*