



**Capital Area Trauma Regional Advisory Council
Executive Board
March 26, 2015
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 12:08pm
 - Kenny Schnell completed the roll call and introductions. There were 13 Board members present, 3 members of CATRAC staff and 7 guests.
 - Kenny Schnell asked those present at the meeting to introduce themselves.
 - **Phone:** Michelle Fillman, Karla Hosick, Cristy Knapp, Annie Burwell
 - **Present:** Marilyn Hollingsworth, Dave Reimer, Kimberly Gill, Dr. Jayson Aydelotte, Scott Fernandes, James “Scooter” Green, Ben Oakley, Darlene Parker, Sharon Muzny, Ken Strange, Mike Elliott, Kenny Schnell
 - **Absent:** Diana Kraus, Dr. Neel Ware, Sylvin Merskiovsky
 - **Guests:** Lydia Blankenship, Dr. Emert Gonzalez, Keith Nobel, Robert Hartigan, Kit Thompson, Frank Urias, John Hamilton
 - Review of February 26, 2015 Ex. Board Meeting minutes. The minutes were reviewed by all. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by James Green, seconded by Mike Elliott. There was no further discussion. 11 voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.
- II. **Treasurer & Financial Report:** Marilyn Hollingsworth provided the financial report. She advised they are preparing to do an amendment that they will have in by tomorrow for the HPP grant. A motion to approve the financial report as presented was made by Ken Strange, seconded by Kim Gill. There was no further discussion. 10 voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.
- III. **Chair Report:** Kenny Schnell reported he did not have a Chair Report today.
- IV. **Executive Director Report:** Dave Reimer reported that Mike Kraus, beloved husband of Diana Kraus (Dell Children’s) passed away. There will be a celebration of life on March 31st, 2015 @ 6pm at the Healing Garden at DCMC. Dave apologized for the late distribution of the agenda and minutes, and stated his goal for this year is to distribute them approximately 1 week in advance.
- V. **DSHS Update:** There was no representative present from DSHS for an update.
- VI. **TETAF Update:** Dave Reimer reported that there are multiple bills filed in the 84th Legislature relating to Healthcare/EMS, more information is available from TETAF who is monitoring these bills.
- VII. **Public Comments:**
 - Dr. Emert Gonzalez, the Trauma Medical Director from South Austin Hospital addressed the group in regards to the discussion regarding additional trauma centers in the region. Dr. Gonzalez expressed that they are receiving approximately 3000 traumas a month where as UMCB is receiving approximately 5400 traumas a month. Dr. Gonzalez advised that DSHS encouraged them to move forward with their Level II trauma designation as DSHS felt it was needed, and he reported that they are moving forward with it and intend to pursue their designation. Dr. Gonzalez expressed his discontent regarding the discussion that was had last month and the decisions were made without all of the appropriate stakeholders at the table. Dr. Aydelotte clarified what he felt was

the discussion from last meeting, which was we were just going to move forward with collecting data. Dr. Aydelotte feels that at minimum, we need to be monitoring this data.

- While on this topic, Dr. Aydelotte presented the data that he was asked to collect at the last meeting. Dr. Aydelotte did a data call and received data from UMCB and Seton Wilco, but did not get data back from DCMC or St. David's Round Rock, so he will continue attempting to gather this data. A few additional data points were provided to Dr. Aydelotte to collect.

VIII. Trauma Centers Update: There were no updates from Trauma Centers today.

IX. Action Items:

- a. *Capital Area Public Health and Medical Preparedness Coalition Charter changes for Ex. Board approval* - The updated charter was presented to the Board. A motion was made to accept the updated charter by Ken Strange, seconded by Darlene Parker. There was no further discussion. 12 voted in favor, none opposed.
- b. *Executive Board Officer Positions Nominations and Election* - Mike Elliott made a motion that the existing officers continue holding their positions, seconded by James Green. There was no further discussion. 12 voted in favor, none opposed.
- c. *Vacant Positions* - There was discussion regarding the need to recruit for the vacant board positions.

X. Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF) Update: *Bataan Death March Marathon Summary* - Dave Reimer reported that he and Glenn attended the Bataan Death March Marathon to observe the EMTF operations. He reported that over 500 patients were seen, and overall things went well, and they learned a lot from the logistics and the patient tracking.

XI. County Representative Updates:

- **Travis** - No report
- **Fayette** - Sharon Muzny reported that they are preparing for the MS150 and working with CATRAC on that, as well as preparing for the antique festival.
- **Burnet** - Darlene Parker reported that they had a great fish fry.
- **Bastrop** - No report
- **Blanco** - Ben Oakley reported that they are preparing for the HITS Triathlon and that they just finished installation of InMotion Gateways on all fleet vehicles.
- **Hays** - Ken Strange reported that Chris Alexander is no longer at SMHCEMS, Jim Swisher is serving as Interim Chief. He also reported their disaster preparedness fair will be on September 12th.
- **Llano** - Cristy Knapp reported that they are moving forward with their 1115 Waiver project.
- **Williamson** - Kenny Schnell reported that Georgetown Fire Department will be taking over EMS in the City of Georgetown effective October 1st, 2015.

XII. Committee/Workgroup Reports and Action Items:

- **Education (Sarah Leach)** – Kimberly Gill reported that the Education Committee accepted the resignation of Vangie Barefoot as co-chair due to time constraints. She also reported they are transitioning discussions over to the CATRAC Forums from the email system. They also moved forward to subsidize a wilderness EMT class. They are also working on helping Lakeway Regional with TNCC.
- **Injury Prevention (Stewart Williams & Willis Sefcik)** – Robin Wiatrek reported that they received several Injury Prevention Mini-Grant submissions. They are presently working on reviewing those submissions.
- **Performance Improvement - Trauma (Dr. Aydelotte)** – No Report

- **Pre-Hospital (Robert Hartigan & Keith Noble)** – Keith reported that they are working on the Regional MCI plan, as well as EMResource. They also reported that they are going to have postcards with the MEDCOMM number.
- **Regional Preparedness & Response Committee (Freddy Krail)** – Robin Wiatrek reported that there is some Ebola preparedness funding that will be coming down the line soon, more information will be available soon.
- **Stroke (Dr. Pullido)** – Robin Wiatrek reported that the committee met last week and they have created a Facebook page. Robin also advised they are looking for EMS Directors and Medical Directors to attend their next meeting on April 23rd to provide feedback.
- **Trauma Coordinators/Registry (Karla Hosick & Diana Kraus)** – Karla Hosick reported that they are having a meeting on Tuesday to review some agenda items, more updates will be available after that.

- XIII. Events / Exercises:** The hospitals will be having their annual full-scale exercise on November 10, 2015.
- XIV. South by Southwest Summary:** Keith Noble reported that overall SXSU was pretty slow this year. They had 289 calls within the geo-fenced area over 4 days, 139 transports. No system resources used - special events units handled everything.
- XV. Other Business:** There was no other business.
- XVI. Discussion / Scuttlebutt:** There was no further discussion.
- XVII. Adjourn:** Ken Strange motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mike Elliott. There was no further discussion. 12 voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

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