

**Capital Area Trauma Regional Advisory Council
Executive Board Meeting
May 24, 2018
12:00pm – 2:00pm
CATRAC Offices
4100 Ed Bluestein Blvd Suite 207, Austin 78721**

Minutes

I. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:07pm by Dr. Gonzalez, and began with roll call of the Executive Board.

A. Roll Call of Executive Board

Kimberly Gill, Dr. Robert “Bob” Stewart (CC), Dr. Ernest Gonzalez, Karla Jones, Dr. Jayson Aydelotte, Scott Fernandes, Dave Golder, James “Scooter” Green, Ben Oakley, Darlene Parker, James “Jim” Jewell, Ken Strange, Rodney Mersiovsky (CC), Dr. Ira Wood, Adam Johnson, and Mike Knipstein.

B. Introductions of General Membership and Guests

Malissa Mieth, Fayette County EMS

II. Minutes

A. Approve March 22, 2018, Executive Board Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Kimberly Gil. Jim Jewel seconded the motion and the motion carried.

III. Public Comments

There were no public comments today.

IV. Treasurer & Financial Report

TSA L, M, and N haven’t been using EMTrack effectively and TSA-O doesn’t use it. It cost us \$50,000/year and the other RACs \$14,000/year. Our contract ends June 30. Emergency Tracking Network (ETN) is used by the state, and they are pushing us to use it. ETN is a part of WebEOC. Ron is working on getting it to a point where he can present it to the Board. Ron will set up a presentation of available solutions.

V. Chair Report

Thanks for efforts and involvement on committees. Getting more physician involvement and board member involvement on committees.

Texas Registry doesn’t seem capable of keeping up with large amounts of data.

Hoping they will try to fix it. Would like to look at RAC funding and what’s needed to be sound without grant support. Create our message for what CATRAC does to bring value to the region. Look to STRAC to learn how they have grown and succeeded.

What do we do? Look into different funding options The following suggestions were given: create a community medic school that is funded by the hospitals that will be saving millions by our students; find some things that our agencies and hospitals are all doing and do that for them.

VI. Executive Director Report

Dave reported on TETAF board and committees. Dave is on Finance and Robin is on Education. More open following their recent audit. Karla Jones requested to be on their survey committee, but she has not heard back from them. Dave Golder

requested to be on Finance committee, but hasn't heard back. Staff have been moving equipment and trailers to Temple, Lake Travis, and Bryan/College Station for storage.

VII. DSHS/HHSC Update

June 11 video conference meeting to project what the budget will look like for the future. Dave and Robin will be there to speak for 3 minutes on why the RACs are important to the system.

VIII. TETAF Update

Dave gave report during Executive Director Report.

IX. Discussion Item: CATRAC Dues Increase Workgroup

Karla Jones, Jim Jewel, and Dave Golder volunteered to be on workgroup. Workgroup needs to establish a plan to present what we are going to do to add value for the additional money.

X. Trauma Systems & Operations Committee: Items for Review

A. Management of O-Positive Blood in Region – CATRAC Blood Consensus Statement

Ben Oakley made a motion to approve and Dr. Wood seconded. The Board voted in favor 16/0.

B. Medical Examiner Communication Standardized Examiner Reports – Sample Letter to the Justice of the Peace and CATRAC JP List

Need to take this back to JPs in Burnet County. Ken Strange made a motion to approve and Dr. Aydelotte seconded. The Board voted in favor 16/0.

C. Burn Protocols – Acceptance of Burn Patients from Outlying Facilities

Motion made to make a statement to the RAC members that the document we presented stating Dell Seton was open for business, is not a replacement for the CATRAC Burn Guideline. The Board voted in favor 16/0.

Will discuss at General Membership

D. Regional Trauma Plan

The Board discussed approving the document and revising it and approving it each year. Continue to build and improve, but keep something approved. Needs to be approved by board, then General Membership. We've also worked on Stroke, Cardiac, etc. to the document that isn't in this version, add them as addendums. Reference to QI committee doesn't exist. Need to change some wording. Page 25 trauma arrests get transported to nearest acute care facility (not our practices and not best practices). Ken Strange made a motion to approve and Karla Jones seconded. The Board voted in favor 15/1. The Board voted to review it annually and vote again in July of 2019. Karla Jones made a motion to approve and Dr. Gonzalez seconded. The Board voted in favor 16/0.

XI. Legislative Updates

None were presented.

XII. HPP/EMTF Update

A. Healthcare Coalitions TSA's L, M, N, O

Ron invited by Terry Cane with DSHS Hospital Preparedness Program to speak at the Texas Association of Home Care and Hospice - Emergency Preparedness Summit. There were 129 people there representing home health/hospice. Ron explained why it is important for them to be part of the coalition so we can reach out to them during disasters. There is a mandatory

Coalition Surge Exercise – surge 20% of acute care beds (all of RRMC and St. David’s). Found actual beds and transport for these patients.

B. Emergency Medical Taskforce

No update

XIII. Committee/Workgroup Reports and Action Items

- Education Committee – 3,000 plus people have been taught Stop The Bleed, 2nd in the nation! The Education Committee is looking for a co-chair from pre-hospital.

XIV. Hospitals Update (All Levels)

- Westlake Hospital is planning to acquire Arise Austin Hospital.
- SAMC officially verified as Trauma Level 2
- Dell Children’s verified for behavioral health and surgical

XV. Other Business

- TDEM Conference Healthcare Coalition: CATRAC helped representatives from TSA L, M, N, and O attend. There will be another one at SETRAC in the fall.
- Williamson County EMS holding a ribbon cutting tomorrow at their new Training and Administration Building.

XVI. Review Follow-Up/Action Items

None were discussed.

XVII. Discussion

None were discussed.

XVIII. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned.