

SEMTAC Meeting Summary Notes
April 12-13, 2023

Chairman Tim Dienst called the meeting to order at 0900. Roll Call happened with a quorum present. Minutes of the January meeting were reviewed and approved.

Dr. Jeff Beckman, Deputy Director, spoke about the SEMTAC positions which have expiring terms in July. Many of those member are able to reapply for a second term and they were encouraged to do so. Some positions will be open and the community is encouraged to apply by early May 2023. The application is on the governors website.

Upcoming SEMTAC meetings

<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
	Jan 10-11	Jan 8-9
	Apr 10-11	Apr 9-10
Jul 12-13	Jul 10-11	Jul 9-10
Oct 11-12	Oct 9-10	Oct 8-9

The October 11-12, 2023 meeting was planned to be offsite in Burlington. However, there has been a lot of staffing changes at the Branch and the person who would likely plan that event is currently out of the office. The SEMTAC agreed to postpone the offsite meeting for 2023 and it will be held in Denver.

Martin Duffy provided an update on the Trauma Section

- Centura Littleton Adventist Hospital underwent a Level II designation review last quarter. SEMTAC recommended redesignation as a Level II with the proposed plan of correction.
- Martin Duffy read a nomination for Paul (PJ) Johnson for the Positively Collaborate award. PJ held a special role during the Marshall Fire and subsequent evacuation of a facility. Congrats to PJ.

Donnie Woodyard provided an update on the SB225 Task Forces

- The Ground Ambulance Licensing Task Force is meeting monthly with good progress. The draft rules need to be in place by the end of the calendar year so they can go through the Board of Health review. They are to take effect on July 1, 2024
- The Sustainability Task Force is also meeting monthly with a couple committees meeting more frequently.
 - The Human Resource committee has concluded meetings for now but will likely reform down the road. Their work will be included in the required legislative report due in September
 - The Funding committee continues to meet with a significant amount of work and data review. Once again, the work will be included in the report
 - All meetings are open to the public and the community is strongly encouraged to attend as time permits.

Will Dunn provided an update on the work of the EMPAC

- The group continues to review and refine the templates for standard waivers
- The next meeting is scheduled for May 8th

Tim Dienst provided a report on the work of the SEMTAC Bylaws Committee

- The committee had it's final meeting and will present the draft bylaws to SEMTAC in July

Chris Duran provided a report on the work of the Designation Review Committee

- St Francis Medical Center and UC Health Grandview in Colorado Springs were both reviewed in the last quarter and received automatic redesignation with no deficiencies. St Anthony's Summit also achieved this level.
- St Elizabeth (Ft Morgan) and St Anthony's North were both recommended for redesignation with a plan of correction

Dawn Mathis provided an update on the work of the Education Committee

- A group is still working to develop recommendations for psychomotor evaluation standards for the EMT level
- Most of the meeting included discussion about the EMT IV Authorization. The IV Authorization has very limited oversight and even less standard education. The group will be working to suggest options for updates.

Commissioner Lora Thomas provided an update on the Prevention Committee

Dr. Kathleen Adelgais provided an update on the Pediatric Care Committee

Chief Richard Cornelius provided an update on the Public Policy and Finance Committee

- Christine McGroarty updated the group on the status of the HUTF EMS Account. The ending balance continues to decline year over year which indicates there needs to be some discussions about solutions.
- Andre Smith updated the various grant cycles
 - FY22 still has around \$418K unspent due to the supply chain issues and ambulances
 - FY23 is expecting supply chain issues again. It appears that the fiscal office is considering options for the grants in all categories to span more than one year
 - FY24 is underway with the reviews being conducted. SEMTAC reviews are May 12-13
- Andre presented the forms to request an incentive category for the FY25 grant. The committee approved the format.
- The Committee reviewed four System Improvement grant requests for various projects.
- The committee approved all Regional Medical Direction funding requests.
- The committee approval all RETAC Supplemental Funding requests.
- The balance of the meeting was used to further discuss options to enhance RETAC operational funding in the short term before the SB225 Task Force has the ability to make long term suggestions. The group will hold a special meeting to further discuss this issue.

G Wagner provided an update on the Safety Committee

- The group reviewed state data on the use of lights and sirens
- The group heard an update on the Path4EMS program which received some grant funding recently
- G spoke about a new program for reporting of sentinel events
- The group heard a report about the recent Mile High RETAC National EMS Safety Summit

Dr. Eric Hill updated the group on the Statewide Trauma Advisory Committee

- The EMS for Children group provided a presentation about their activities
- Continued discussion regarding the Modified brain Injury Guideline for rural facilities
- Continued discussion regarding the recovery from the pandemic to a new normal

Dr. Jeff Beckman introduced Branch Director Elaine McManus. She introduced two persons who will be assuming roles as deputy directors within the HFEMTS Division

Donnie Woodyard provided an update on the EMTS Branch. The branch report is available on the website in the SEMTAC google folder.

As always, these are my notes from the meeting and should not be considered as minutes. Kim Schallenberger