



RETAC Council Meeting Minutes

Date: October 20, 2009

Location: Black Forest Fire/Rescue
11445 Teachout Road
Colorado Springs, CO 80908

Attendance: See attached list

A quorum was present. Ted Foth, Council Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ted presented the proposed agenda. Chief Ury moved to accept the agenda as presented. Ken Morrison seconded the motion. Motion passed.

II. APPROVAL OF JULY 21, 2009 MINUTES

Minutes were reviewed by those present. Tim Dienst moved to accept the minutes as presented. Lynn Andersen seconded the motion. Motion passed.

III. FINANCIAL REPORT

Kim Schallenberger, Regional Coordinator, presented documents reflecting the financial activity of the Regional office for July, August, and September 2009. Tim moved to accept the financial report as presented. Patty Baxter seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Kim provided the Council with a document showing the various purchases made by each County using their designated funds during the past quarter. This information will continue to be made available for the Councils review.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None at this time.



VI. REPORTS

A) Officers

Ted Foth, Council Chair, spoke about the upcoming TEEX EMS Director training sponsored by EMSAC. He and Kim also relayed information about the recent Safety Summit.

Tim Dienst, Council Vice Chair, had no report at this time.

Mark Morrison, Council Treasurer, had no report at this time.

B) Regional Coordinator

Kim indicated that all of his report information would be included later in the agenda.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A) State Council Report

Kim provided an oral update on the recent SEMTAC meeting held in Denver October 7-8, 2009. Lynn Andersen updated the Council on the work being done with the Trauma Triage Algorithm. Kim also provided a handout detailing the activity of the EMTS Section during the past quarter.

B) Board of Health Rules

Kim the progress of the emergency rule making request for HB 1275 which provides for name based provisional background checks for prehospital providers. The EMTS Section is expecting that the Board of Health will hear the request in November.

C) Legislative Update

No update at this time.

D) State Provider Grant

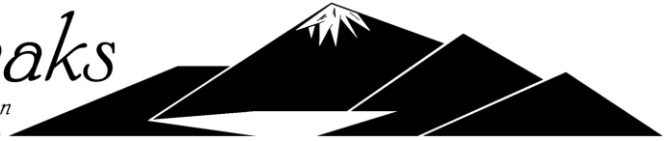
Kim provided a brief update on the progress of FY10 Cycle I grants. Most agencies have gotten their progress reports in and the Regional Power Cot grant is nearing completion. All that remains is cutting checks back to the participating agencies.

Kim informed the Council that there were 148 grants statewide and \$7.4M in state dollars requested for FY10 Cycle II. He gave a brief update on the status of the Regional grant including Safety Equipment and Education.



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Ted thanked the reviewers for their hard work this morning as they reviewed the 18 applications submitted by Regional agencies.

Kim provided an update by the work by the state Public Policy & Finance committee who has been working on updates for the Provider grant program for FY11 which will open on December 15, 2009.

E) Statewide RETAC Forum

Kim indicated that the most recent Forum included discussions about the Provider Grant and the CDOT Occupant Safety grant. The next Forum will be held in Gilpin County.

F) Pediatric Issues

Lynn reported on recent work by the Pediatric Emergency Care Committee. Each of the eleven RETACs has been assigned a PECC representative to work with them on any pediatric care issues that arise. Lynn will of course be the representative for the Plains to Peaks RETAC. All in attendance were encouraged to bring forth any issues they feel need to be addressed.

G) CDPHE Emergency Preparedness Funding

Kim reminded the Council about the most recent grant from the Emergency Preparedness Division. The EPD is once again offering \$10K to each RETAC for Education and Exercise projects this fiscal year. Ted tasked Kim with convening a task force to consider potential projects for this years funding.

H) Regional Intergovernmental Agreement proposed revision

Kim informed the Council that he had made no progress on the revision of the IGA due to the recent influx of work from the Provider Grant, Fall ALS Conference, and the CDOT Grant. He felt that completing the work this quarter would be possible.

I) Fall ALS Conference

Kim and Rob Handley provided information about the recent Plains to Peaks Fall ALS Conference. It was well received and the evaluations indicated strong support for this to be an annual event.

J) Statewide Needs Assessment

Kim introduced Ken Riddle with The Abaris Group. They are conducting the needs assessment for the state EMTS section and the Plains to Peaks review will begin today with interviews



continuing the next two days. In addition, Ken explained the ongoing process of data collection and how the final product will be provided to the Council.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A) CDOT Grant, Occupant Protection

Kelli Jones, DriveSmart Colorado, provided an update on the grant and the work to follow. Each RETAC was funded in the amount of \$50K initially with an additional \$25K available as the project moves forward. DriveSmart staff will continue to work with Kim and all stakeholders.

B) Roundtable Discussion

Kandi Kuper, Kit Carson County Memorial Hospital, spoke about their recent increase in patients due to the seasonal and H1N1 flu.

Darcy Janssen, Kit Carson County OEM, reported on upgrades to the Red Cross planning in Kit Carson and Cheyenne Counties as well as the enhanced Web EOC.

Candy Shoemaker, SW Teller County EMS, reminded the Council that 24/7 gaming is now available in Cripple Creek. They are certainly seeing more visitors to the resort but their patient contacts have not increased. She indicated that many of the new visitors are younger than the usual gamers.

Chief Dave Ury, Black Forest Fire Rescue, informed the group that El Paso County is in the process of consolidating their PPRN 800 network with the state of Colorado network.

Ken Morrison, Lincoln County OEM, spoke briefly about the search for a new Public Health Nurse for the County.

Patty Baxter, El Paso County OEM, provided a brief update local H1N1 planning.

Lynn Andersen, Memorial Health System, reported that their state and ACS reviews were completed. She also spoke briefly about the recent issues with their Neurosurgical Trauma coverage.

Mark Morrison, Lincoln Community Hospital, informed the group that LCH will be conducting a drill this weekend including the loss of all power at the facility. They will be using a full ICS staff to work their way through the exercise. Mark further noted that their first attempt at an inhouse TNCC course will beginning soon.



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Matt Hodges, Pikes Peak Regional Hospital, reported that the facility had just successfully completed their trauma review. They also completed a joint ACLS/PALS course combo weekend.

No other comments from those in attendance.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to discuss, Ted adjourned the meeting at 2:30 PM.

The next meeting of the Plains to Peaks RETAC will be January 19, 2010 in Cheyenne County.

Kim E Schallenberger, Regional Coordinator