

**SIOUX FALLS REMSA MINUTES
JANUARY 19, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at Noon by Chair Wahlstrom.

Roll Call

Tiefenthaler: present, Hart: present, Olson: absent, Heineman: absent, Wahlstrom: present
Others present: Judy Kendall, Jill Franken, Alicia Collura, Sandy Frentz, Jim Sideras, Aimee Chase, Ona Renker, Scott Christensen, Faron Wahl, Mike Stuhr, Richard Miller, Jeff Luther, Julie Charbonneau

Approval of minutes

11-01 Motion by Tiefenthaler, seconded by Hart, to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2010, meeting as distributed. Vote was as follows: Tiefenthaler: yes, Hart: yes, Olson: absent, Heineman: absent, Wahlstrom: yes.

Unfinished business

Judy Kendall, Clinical Services Manager at Falls Community Health, reviewed the education provided for new refugees in the community. Ways to measure effectiveness were discussed. Metro Communications will pull information on use of language line.

The Board discussed possible methods of reducing unnecessary 911 calls for ambulance service. Community education will be key. We will have a plan for education for a future meeting. In light of te state budget issues, Tiefenthaler discussed the need to minimize unnecessary Medicaid expenditures.

The RescueNet server moved to Rural/Metro on January 10th. We are working through the challenges involved.

Meeting location was discussed. The Board members agreed to continue to meet at the Health Department going forward.

New business

The Medical Board approved the use of EMD card 33 the Minnehaha County Jail and Detox. Implications were discussed.

11-02 Motion by Tiefenthaler, seconded by Olson, to adopt the use of EMD card 33 for the Minnehaha County Jail and Detox. Vote was as follows: Tiefenthaler: yes, Hart: yes, Olson: absent, Heineman: absent, Wahlstrom: yes.

The Medical Board has approved revisions to MPDS revision 12.1, Card 28, to include the Stroke Diagnostic.

11-03 Motion by Tiefenthaler, seconded by Hart, to adopt the MPDS revision 12.1, Card 28 changes to include the Stroke Diagnostic, as approved by the Medical Board. Vote was as follows: Tiefenthaler: yes, Hart: yes, Olson: absent, Heineman: absent, Wahlstrom: yes.

The Medical Board discussed the ambulance/car collision that occurred in November. The Medical Board requests that the ambulance service be allowed to use the emergency traffic preemption (Opticom) system as a matter of public safety, patient care, and crew safety. Jim Sideras explained that SFFR is the only user. He will discuss with Chief Hill and give follow up.

Dr. Arliss Thompson is willing to be appointed to the REMSA Medical Board. He practices at Avera Heart Hospital.

11-04 Motion by Hart, seconded by Tiefenthaler, to appoint Dr. Arliss Thompson to the REMSA Medical Board to fill the remainder of Dr. Jerstad's term. Vote was as follows: Tiefenthaler: yes, Hart: yes, Olson: absent, Heineman: absent, Wahlstrom: yes.

Reports

Metro -- Metro continues to be above the required EMD standards, with all December scores at 99% or higher and PAI's at 100%.

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Police – First Aid training is being worked out now. Captain Miller will get the curriculum to Dr. Luther for his review.

Fire/Rescue – Training is complete and 12 leads and glucometers are being implemented now.

Rural/Metro -- There are no inventory changes.

Medical Director -- Dr. Luther thanked the Board for their support after the death of his mother.

Executive session

11-05 Motion by Hart, seconded by Tiefenthaler, to go into executive session for purposes of contract and discussion. Vote was as follows: Tiefenthaler: yes, Hart: yes, Olson: absent, Heineman: absent, Wahlstrom: yes. The board went into executive session at 12:55 P.M. and returned to general session at 1:05 P.M.

An ambulance/car collision in November was discussed. Use of the emergency traffic light changer system was discussed. Jim Sideras noted that the system is only for the use of Sioux Falls Fire Rescue.

Adjournment

11-06 Motion by Hart, seconded by Wahlstrom, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1:10 P.M.

Submitted by

Approved by

Julie Charbonneau
Executive Director/Executive Secretary

Nancy Wahlstrom
Chair