

SIoux FALLS REMSA MINUTES SEPTEMBER 26, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 12:10 P.M. by Chair Wahlstrom.

Roll Call

Hart: present, Heineman: absent, Olson: present, Tiefenthaler: absent, Wahlstrom: present
Others present: Alicia Collura, Jill Franken, Daren Ketcham, Scott Christensen, Jeff Luther, Jeff Helm, Mike Stuhr, Mike Deitschman, Richard Miller, Julie Charbonneau

Approval of minutes

- 12-12 Motion by Olson, seconded by Hart, to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2012, meeting as distributed. Vote was as follows: Hart: yes, Heineman: absent, Olson: yes, Tiefenthaler: absent, Wahlstrom: yes.

Unfinished business

Insurance networks -- We had a conference call with individuals from the state Division of Insurance. It appears that state statutes may apply to this situation and individuals can have their issues addressed through the Division of Insurance. Julie sent letters to both individuals with this information. There is some ambiguity in statute and we requested that the Division draft legislation to clarify. Tim will follow up on that. The individual who brought concerns to the REMSA meeting also contacted city councilors who asked for follow-up. Alicia provided that and we've not heard anything further.

New business

- 12-13 The Medical Board has approved revised ambulance guidelines and SFFR medical SOP's.
Motion by Hart, seconded by Olson, to adopt the following revised guidelines that have been approved by the Medical Board: General Guideline 1.20, Chest Pain Guideline 4.50, Allergic Reaction and Anaphylaxis Guideline 2.30, Respiratory Distress Guideline 3.40, Blood Glucose Measurement Guideline 3.10, Pain Management Guideline 2.10, Nausea/Vomiting Guideline 1.20, Trauma Guideline 3.30, EMS System Cancellation Policy 1.30, Trauma Team Activation Policy 2.10; Ventricular Fibrillation Guideline 4.21, Neonatal Resuscitation Guideline 2.40; and to reauthorize the remaining guidelines and policies. Vote was as follows: Hart: yes, Heineman: absent, Olson: yes, Tiefenthaler: absent, Wahlstrom: yes.
- 12-14 Motion by Olson, seconded by Hart, to adopt the SFFR SOP 300.1- Emergency Medical Technician/EMT-B Procedures version 2012. Vote was as follows: Hart: yes, Heineman: absent, Olson: yes, Tiefenthaler: absent, Wahlstrom: yes.

The public member position on the Medical Board is expiring. One individual has expressed an interest in serving. Jill Franken suggested that the board utilize the application process through the Mayor's Office to take applications. Chair Wahlstrom suggested asking for applications by October 15th and then asking Dr. Harris and Dr. Luther to make a recommendation so REMSA can act at their November meeting.

Reports

Metro – Daren Ketcham noted that Metro will be implementing version EMD version 12.2. The re-accreditation application has been sent.

SFFR – Jeff Helm noted that they will be implementing the new SOP now that it has been adopted. SFFR received an award, along with Avera Heart Hospital, for the Public Access AED program. They are giving a Citizen's Hero award tomorrow for individuals who saved a co-worker with an AED.

Rural/Metro – Mike Stuhr explained the new management structure, with Tim Rave as Operations Manager and Scott Christensen as Operations Supervisor. Scott Christensen discussed staffing changes, including adding an additional overnight crew. A current capital equipment inventory is on file.

Secretary's report – Julie distributed copies of the new Agreement for Professional Services for EMS Quality Oversight between Metro Communications and the City of Sioux Falls Health Department. The REMSA meetings schedule has changed to the fourth Wednesday at Noon. The frequent patient who had assaulted Rural/Metro staff is now getting help at a state agency. Scott Christensen was instrumental in getting the various agencies together to meet this individual's needs.

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Medical Director – Dr. Luther discussed the value of the electronic medical record and other positive aspects of care in our system. He is seeking ABEM sub-specialty certification in EMS.

The next meeting will be October 24, 2012.

Adjournment

12-15 Motion to adjourn by Olson, seconded by Hart. Meeting adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Submitted by

Approved by

Julie Charbonneau
Executive Director/Executive Secretary

Nancy Wahlstrom
Chair