SIoux Falls REMSA Minutes
March 27, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 P.M. by Chair Olson. New board members were introduced.

Roll Call
Hart: present, Heineman: absent, Myers: present, Saakvitne: present, Olson: present
Others present: Jill Franken, Daren Ketcham, Jeff Luther, Jeff Helm, Mike Stuhr, Tim Rave, Sandy Frentz, Jim Sideras, Toby Benson, Julie Charbonneau

Approval of minutes
13-01 Motion by Hart, seconded by Saakvitne, to approve the minutes of the November 28, 2012, meeting as distributed. Vote was as follows: Hart: yes, Heineman: absent, Myers: yes, Saakvitne: yes, Olson: yes.

New business
Dr. Taylor would like to share his Medical Board appointment with Dr. Travnicek, another EM physician from the Avera system.
13-02 Motion by Saakvitne, seconded by Hart, to appoint Dr. John Travnicek to share a Medical Board position with Dr. Garrett Taylor. Vote was as follows: Hart: yes, Heineman: absent, Myers: yes, Saakvitne: yes, Olson: yes.

The REMSA bylaws need to be reviewed and updated. Copies were distributed. Please review and get any suggestions to Julie before or at the next meeting.

Two SOP revisions from Sioux Falls Fire Rescue were discussed, clarifying the ASA dose and the use of the AED in pediatrics. The Medical Board has approved both changes.
13-03 Motion by Myers, seconded by Saakvitne, to adopt the updated Sioux Falls Fire Rescue SOP as distributed and discussed. Vote was as follows: Hart: yes, Heineman: absent, Myers: yes, Saakvitne: yes, Olson: yes.

Rural/Metro has requested a rate increase. The request was received on 3/18/2013, and was distributed to the REMSA board members for their review prior to the meeting. The request, the process and CPI information was reviewed and discussed.
13-04 Motion by Saakvitne, seconded by Myers, that the ambulance contract allows an annual rate increase in an amount equal to the USDOL Midwest Medical Care CPI Class D or 4 percent, whichever is lower; that the Midwest Medical Care services CPI is 3.9 percent as of February 2013; that Rural/Metro Ambulance is requesting a 3.9 percent rate increase; that REMSA has reviewed the supporting documentation and contract; and that REMSA certifies that an ambulance rate increase of 3.9 percent, effective May 21, 2013, is in compliance with contractual provisions. Vote was as follows: Hart: yes, Heineman: absent, Myers: yes, Saakvitne: yes, Olson: yes.

Ambulance rates, effective May 21, 2013, will be:
- BLS Non-Emergency: $550.00
- BLS Emergency: $736.00
- ALS Non Emergency: $736.00
- ALS Emergency: $965.00
- ALS2: $1142.00
- Mileage: $10.95

Jill Franken discussed upcoming revisions in City ordinance, including adding a REMSA board member on the Board of Health. REMSA will add selecting a representative to the Board of Health to the REMSA Annual Meeting/Election of Officers.

Reports
RescueNet – No issues. The state extract is working well. Future RescueNet updates will allow transfer of data to hospitals rather than faxed reports.

Metro – Daren Ketcham noted that April 14-21 is Telecommunicator Week. He invited everyone to stop in at the center. He noted the new review process and how performance is measured differently than the percentages we are accustomed to. Aimee Chase will attend the Navigator Conference in April. Metro has a new Training Officer who will also be certified to review calls.
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SFFR – Jeff Helm reported that National EMS Week is May 19-25. This year’s theme is “EMS: One Mission. One Team.” SFFR will be at the mall with a display, CPR training and PulsePoint info. They’ve invited other local EMS system agencies to participate as well.

Executive Secretary – There was an EMS presentation for the City Council on January 2, 2013. The audit of the provider contract has started.

Medical Director – Dr. Luther discussed the development of new policies for Excited Delirium.

Adjournment

13-05 Motion to adjourn by Saakvitne, seconded by Hart. Meeting adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Submitted by       Approved by
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Julie Charbonneau   Chad Olson
Executive Director/Executive Secretary   Chair