

# East Central Region Governance Meeting

May 9, 2016

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

## MINUTES

**Location:** Platte County EOC, Map Room, 2610 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Columbus Nebraska

**Chair:** Bob Carey, Polk County

**Co-Chair:** Terry Miller, Saunders County

**Secretary/Treasurer:** Tim Hofbauer, Platte County

- i. **Review of the Open Meeting Law** - The Open Meeting Law document was present in the meeting room.
- ii. **Roll Call of Counties Present**
  - a. Present: Platte, Butler, Sanders, Colfax, Howard, Colfax Polk (via phone),
  - b. Not Present: Region 44, Dodge
- iii. **Approve April Governance Board Meeting Minutes (Action)** Butler County Motions to accept the April Board Minutes and Colfax County seconds the Motion. Motion Carries.
- iv. **Special Presentation (if scheduled)** None
- v. **Public Health Report**
  - a. Sachin reports the following illnesses:
    - i. Investigated and reported two cases of Food-borne diseases: Campylobacteriosis, one blood-borne investigation on chronic Hepatitis B infection, 5 vaccine preventable diseases, (included HBV counted in blood borne), 2 vector borne diseases: Zika virus investigations in pregnant women, both travel-related exposure, 2 other bacterial infections, and 8 investigations on human exposures to potentially rabid animals (7 Bat, one dog); 1 each of Hepatitis, Pertussis, and Streptococcus pneumoniae in Platte and Nance Counties.
    - ii. Platte County was recently added to the list of increased risk of elevated blood lead levels in children. During April Lab Surveillance reported two elevated blood lead levels from Platte and Colfax, and the state Lead program with participation of ECDHD staff visited one child's home that has been followed since December 2015. ILI School Surveillance showed one Colfax and one Platte County schools with 10% or more of student absenteeism due to sickness. Our jurisdiction numbers for ILI surveillance were just above the national average during April.
    - iii. Tuberculosis Surveillance: One Class B1 TB Immigrant follow up investigations was reported to the state from Platte Counties.
- vi. **Red Cross Report** - None
- vii. **Report on grant for Polycom equipment** – None – Michelle Evert will follow up on this for next month
- viii. **2016 HSG Grant Progress**
  - a. Tim attended the Investment Justification and the Policy Group meetings to represent the Region.
  - b. Nikki Weber sent an email that all of the cuts have not been made so there will be an additional meeting on June 2, 2016 in Grand Island because 20% still needs to be cut. There were some items that were recovery rather than preparedness.
  - c. The process was better this year and was transparent.
- ix. **2014 & 2015 HSG Grant Progress**

- a. Tim distributes a financial document detailing the expenditures that have been spent. All of the 2014 PET funds have been used.
  - b. 2014 - LETPP has \$119.00 remaining
  - c. The balance for 2014 is \$16, 251.38
    - i. 2014 - OCIO monitoring is going to be flexed as there are some charges for work that will need to be paid as well
    - ii. 2014 - Howard County Conselette \$13, 163.00
    - iii. 2014 – Power monitor software was purchased due to power issues in the region. This program sends alert messages when there power problems before the power is out. Tim has purchased for the Intelligent Power \$2,971.00 the Intelligent Power. MOTION: Butler County: Approve payment Platte County for the purchase of the Intelligent Power Monitor system software; Howard County Seconds. Motion Carries. Tim is testing this for more than one user and anyone can receive the alerts. Remaining is \$191.38.
    - iv. 2014 - Rent for NRIN equipment in Lincoln which has now been moved to the Platte County Motor Pool building which will be \$142.00 for 2 months’ rent.
    - v. 2015 – Region 44 for Mutual Aid Base Station
  - d. 2015 Grant Funds: \$19,600.00 (Expires in 2018)
    - i. \$3600.00 will be for 2016 for tower rent for NPPD. This expense will likely go away.
    - ii. Working with Tom for Silver Creek water tower and Boone County Mutual Aid Base Stations.
    - iii. Paid - \$2500 to Blue Cell g-270 Class for and \$151.00 - Meals
    - iv. Hiring of FT or PT Staff or Contractors/Consultants to Assist with Training Activities – Professional Training Series - \$9,348.04
    - v. Tower grant money is still left and Tim suggests to use the funds for additional generators
    - vi. Butler County makes the suggestion to have the SRS equipment in the region truck
    - vii. There are funds for tower rent in the 2015 grant that may not be used - possibly will be used to purchase generators from the same vender.
- x. Regional Communications Projects**
- a. **Mutual Aid Base Stations** – Boone County is working to complete this.
  - b. **Generators**- 2016 grant will be used for this.
  - c. **NRIN**
    - i. **NRIN Install update**
      - 1. Working on connecting in several areas in the state.
    - ii. **NRIN Governance Interlocal Agreement (none at this time)**
  - d. **EC-911**
    - i. **Update on EC-911 telephone operation**
      - 1. Text to 911 is in the works.
      - 2. Dodge and Colfax both did not come on the system. Connection equipment was \$5K per county and it would be a way to use NRIN as a backup. Currently, transfer of calls can bypass the phone lines and since Colfax is not on the system this is not viable. It is done through the selective router.
- xi. Regional Planning/Training**
- a. **Regional Planning/Training in East Central – Subcommittee Report**
    - i. g 358 – Recovery and Reentry – will be held April 18-19, 2016 and 15 are registered
    - ii. g 393 – Mitigation for Emergency Managers - Approval from Dave Reisen of NEMA for the Aug 9-10, 2016 which is the same time as the LEDRS conference.
    - iii. Ebola training April 19 – from 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM at Chances R in York.
  - b. **Long Term Recovery Committee/Volunteer Coordination-Mass Care**
    - i. The group met with Ashley Mueller to develop a plan for a COAD Long Term Recovery team similar to the GI Team and hopefully this would be able to be a regional recourse. Timeline - established by September (Preparedness Month) is will be the initiation for this group. Additional information is being prepared for invitations to community partners. Each County will have their own group/organization and

collaboration within the Region will be a major focus. (NEMA, UNL Extension, Businesses, churches, grocery stores, etc.)

**c. Incident Support Team – None**

**d. East Central Retreat**

**i. Bylaws Update**

1. The Bylaws were reviewed at the EC Retreat and suggested changes were made. A review of the changes was discussed
  - a. Alternates, proxy's
  - b. Posting of Minutes
  - c. Use of video conferencing
2. The Bylaws will be updated and sent out for the membership to review. Bylaws will be reviewed at the June meeting and a plan to vote for the July meeting.

**e. Regional/Local Exercises**

**i. Ebola – April 19, 2016**

**f. Regional/Local Training**

**i. Nuclear training – David City Fire Hall**

**xii. Update on NEMA Meetings**

- a. Bob Cary reports on the meeting with the Attorney General Peterson and Polk County Law Enforcement regarding the Fusion Center. There is a possible meeting to be held in Polk County to address Fusion Center issues. Col. Rice and Atty. General will discuss ways to inform the services of the Fusion Center. Date TBD.
- b. Interface between SLUTH and NIAC was to be developed with South Central funds and it has not yet been complete – it is fast tracked at this time. SLUTH is on end of life at this time.
- c. Incident Support Team – No news.
- d. EMA Update

**xiii. Public Comment - None**

xiv. Intern – Michelle discussed her conversation with Lynn Marshall regarding the intern possibility from Bellevue University. There are 4 interns currently looking at placement. (They may assist with the following: CERT, Damage Assessment Plans and Inventory list revisions). Lynn suggested that interns are used on sort term projects to maximize their experience and are able to complete projects. He also suggests that if chosen. Interns need to visit the area where they are working to be interviewed. Tim remarked that CMS requirements for medical facilities are required to have emergency plans in place and will need to complete annual exercises, HVA's etc. Having interns assist in these activities gives them a realistic Randy Fisher has develop a template and has offered to facilitate a meeting to get this off of the ground. Tim is planning to initiate this in Platte County and invites other counties to attend. Agreements will need to be signed prior to inclusion in projects.

- a. Rick Schneider is leaving Butler County and will sell insurance in David City with Jones Insurance.

**xv. Upcoming meetings**

- a. **East Central Governance –June 13, 2016**
- b. **Mass Care LTR Volunteer Team Meeting June 13, 2016 10:00 AM**
- c. **2016 HSG Investment Justification Meeting- April 14, Kearney**