

# East Central Region Governance Meeting

June 11, 2018

1:00pm to 3:00 PM

## MINUTES

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

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

**Co-Chair:** Michelle Evert, *Colfax County*

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

- i. **Review of the Open Meeting Laws** - The Open Meeting Law was present in the meeting room for reference.
- ii. **Roll Call of Counties Present:** Platte, Saunders, Colfax, Region 44, Howard, Butler,
  - a. **Not Present:** Dodge, Polk
  - b. **Guests:** Larry Fitchner, Patrick Rooney, NEMA; Gina Tronccone, ARC; Chris Newland, Four Corners Heath Department.
- iii. **Approve April Governance Board Meeting Minutes (Action):** Platte County Motioned to accept the May Governing Board Minutes as written; Colfax County Seconded the Motion; Motion passed.
- iv. **Public Health Report** - Chris reported she is still working on closed pods with the medical facilities and businesses that will be taking part in the four county exercise with the health care coalitions in south east Nebraska.
- v. **Red Cross Report** - Gina Tronccone reported there is a campaign in Columbus this week with volunteers in targeted areas on June 16 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.
- vi. **EC-911**
  - a. **Update on regional expansion**
    - i. The upcoming meeting will be held at the Platte County EOC on July 10, 2018 at 10:00 AM. The Interlocal Agreement is updated to include Hall County/Grand Island. As centers update to the new consoles and as they tie to the new 911 center they are looking at options for backing up each other and sharing the load. This may include an exercise in the future for preparedness. Early next year, equipment will need to be moved and this may be a good time to do an exercise for the dispatchers while the equipment is shut down.
    - ii. With the Next Generation 911 approved by the Legislature Public Service Commission will establish a Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) plan. EC 911 needs to develop a plan exercise it for preparedness. The EC Governing Governance Board may be helpful to address this.
    - iii. Tim will be speaking to the Northeast PET group regarding the project.
  - b. **Dispatch Center Backup**
    - i. There are several options being discussed by the EC 911 Board to ensure that there is a backup plan in the event that there are problems with connectivity.
- vii. **Current HSG Grant Progress**
  - a. **LETTP project status** - Thirty-one participants took part in the training last week; most were from East Central and there were attendees from outside the Region.
  - b. **CCP Funds** - A Citizen Corp triage Tabletop Kit is now available for use. The 2015 funds are nearly finished. Tim has discussed a Teen CERT program for next Fall in Platte County. Columbus. Teen CERT will be held in Grand Island June 12-14, 2018. CERT Fire Corps is being considered for implementation that would include a registry. Firefighters are having a difficult time finding volunteers in general, so this may be a way to interest young people in that field.

- viii. **2018 HSG Grant Updates** - The Senior Advisory Committee met to determine funding. There were five projects “on the bubble” (considered for funding based on funding availability). NRIN was allocated \$50,000 for future projects. The actual amounts have not been determined.
- ix. **Regional Communications Projects**
  - a. **Mutual Aid Base Stations**
    - i. The Platte County console equipment is on the state radio network, meaning anyone with a Motorola console can access it. Discussions with First Wireless was to hook up other areas in this manner to fully cover other counties - Colfax, Butler, and Saunders.
  - b. **NRIN**
    - i. NRIN Build Out - The north part of the state is being worked on now and East Central is also in the queue. There was not a Quorum so the meeting was not continued. Equipment was replaced and repaired in Colfax County and environmental monitors have been installed.
    - ii. **NRIN Governance update - none**
- x. **Regional Planning/Training**
  - a. **Regional Planning/Training in East Central – Subcommittee Report**
    - i. Two participants are signed up for the Planning Section Chief course - it may have to be cancelled; and it is not yet up on the NEMA website. Todd is willing to do the 402 class in Butler or Colfax at no charge.
  - b. **Regional/Local Exercises**
    - i. Active Shooter - scheduled at the Community College in May 2019;
    - ii. Tabletop exercise for Saunders County with the hospital in August/September as a step up to the Full Scale exercise in October.
    - iii. **Platte County exercise with Columbus Fire Department there was tape interference so I was not able to hear this clearly**
  - c. **Regional/Local Training**
    - i. Basic Academy Capstone is scheduled for July 11-12, 2018. Check the NEMA website for details.
    - ii. Wayne has a Logistics 967 Class as does Chadron
    - iii. Behavioral Health TTP July 19, 2018 in Omaha
    - iv. CISM training will be held in August
    - v. Terry has a Health Care Coalition Organization meeting and will be unable to attend next month’s meeting.
- xi. **Update on Meetings**
  - a. **NEMA Updates**
    - i. Emergency Manager Handbooks are available; new employee Terry Miller has joined the NEMA staff. Interviews for the ETO position are being held as well as other staff changes were discussed.
  - b. **Meeting Updates**
    - i. Regional policy for sirens is unlikely as each county is in charge of when to activate sirens.
- xii. **Public Comment - None**
- xiii. **Upcoming Meetings** - Michelle is moving the Planning Section Chief Class to Aug. 28-31, 2018 - Mark your calendars and a flyer will be sent out next week.
- xiv. **Action Items for next meeting**
  - a. **East Central Governance –July 9, 2018.**