Southeast Nebraska Emergency Management Group
Regional Governance Board
MINUTES-Regular Meeting
Wednesday, May 9, 2012 10:00am.

The regular meeting of the Southeast Regional Governance Board convened, as required by statute, in open and public session at 10:00 a.m. on May 9, 2012 in the meeting room at Valentino’s, 701 Court Street, Beatrice, NE.


County Representation Absent: (Mike Wilcox) Pawnee, (BJ Fictum) Saline

Guests present: Shawn Weise, Regional Exercise Training Officer, Mark Jobman, Beatrice Community Hospital, Brian Daake, Beatrice Fire & Rescue, Lisa Bloss Southeast District Health Department, Janell Walther, Public Policy Center, Chief Deputy Matthew Schultz, Jefferson Co Sheriff’s Office, Ray Ryan, Lincoln Co Radio Maintenance.

Notice of the meeting was given by publication. A copy of the publication is on file in the Saline Co Emergency Management office. All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. Chairman Ahlberg noted that the public meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and available for public distribution if requested.

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 10:05 by Chairman Ahlberg.

Introductions & Reception of Visitors – Introductions were made and all visitors were welcomed by the Board.

Approval of the Agenda - A motion was made by Cass Co to approve the Agenda of May 9, 2012 as presented, Gage Co seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:
Ayes: Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Johnson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Otoe, Richardson, Seward, Thayer, York
Nays: None
Chairman Ahlberg declared the motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes - A motion was made by Gage Co to approve the Minutes of April 18, 2012 as presented, Johnson Co seconded the motion.
Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:
Ayes: Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Johnson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Otoe, Richardson, Seward, Thayer, York
Nays: None
Chairman Ahlberg declared the motion carried.

Claims Approval/Requests for Funding – No claims were presented for approval.

Law Enforcement Protective Equipment Request – Jefferson Co Sheriff
Chief Deputy Matt Schultz, Jefferson Co Sheriff’s Office presented a funding request for equipment for an 8 member tactical team based out of the Jefferson Co Sheriff’s Office, this team would be a regional resource for law enforcement. The equipment requested is for 8 each of the following: Blackhawk Ultramax body armor $19,352.00, Medical Kits $559.52, Optics for weaponry $6382.48 and Flashlights for weaponry $840.00. Total requested $27134.00. Any assistance in part or full is appreciated, if unable to cover the total requested amount, the most important piece at this time would be the body armor at $19,352.00.

A motion was made by Thayer Co to approve request for funding in the amount of $27,134.00, contingent upon NEMA’s approval for the Governance Board to move allocation from Training to Equipment in 2009 FY Grant, approve a change to the work plan and the change in GMS, Cass Co seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:
Ayes: Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Johnson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Otoe, Seward, Thayer, York
Nays: Richardson
Chairman Ahlberg declared the motion carried.

Thayer County Console Upgrade/Digital Radios Request – Thayer Co Sheriff
Emergency Manager, Bill McPherson presented a request from Thayer Co Sheriff’s Office for Dave Lee, Sheriff, the request included hardware and installation for State Radio, Repeater Upgrade for digital, console reprogramming for digital operation, 4 XPR4550 digital mobile radios, 7 TRBO XPR6550 portable digital radios, labor and mileage from York, to Hebron.

After discussion, further clarification is necessary; Bill McPherson withdrew the funding request. No action was necessary by the Board.

Committee/Board Reports –
Executive Committee did not meet, nothing to report.
Communications Committee –
Mutual Aid – Donna Mainwaring, Fillmore Co reported that the bid process has been started, advertisements and bid specifications have gone out. Fillmore Co will be receiving the bids on Tuesday, May 15th at 3:00; members from the Communications
Committee will be on hand and will accept bids. First Wireless and Racom are the only ones at this time that have requested bid specs.

**NCOR/NWIN** – Jim Gerweck, Richardson Co reported that there is not much going on at this time because the LT Governor is still working toward combining the two into one committee. They have met a few times but just to cover a few minor issues. As far as the statewide microwave system they are in the process of getting clarification of equipment that is needed for future sites. South Central Region is getting ready to test the microwave system that has been installed to make sure it works before much more is done.

**Area/Regional Training Update** – MGT315 Enhanced Threat and Risk Assessment training is June 12th & 13th, 2012 location to be determined.

**IED Training Update** – Doug Ahlberg, Lancaster Co reported that any IED training to be set up needs to be set up by the EM’s for each county by contacting Moody directly at 402-525-9631.

**SEMRS Update** – Donna Mainwaring, Fillmore Co reported that her trailer was in, Mark Meints, Gage Co already picked up his trailer and he’s having trouble getting his title. Doug Ahlberg, Lancaster Co will get Tim Timmons to handle getting things straight for titling purposes. 8 trailers were purchased 6 of which came to the Southeast Region.

**Resignation & Replacement of Exercise Training Officer** – Board members expressed their good wishes and the difficulty in accepting Shawn Weise, Regional ETO’s resignation. Shawn expressed his concern about hiring a new ETO for the Region with future funding undetermined. Proper utilization of the ETO and what they can offer is also important. Mark Meints, Gage Co stated that Gage Co will not host the responsibility or the budget for another Regional ETO, another county will have to take on that responsibility if it is determined that we will hire another ETO. Inventory items will remain on Gage Co’s inventory until another ETO is hired and then the equipment will be transferred to the new host county. EM’s expressed concern that they are not all together certain how to move forward with training and exercise planning within the Region and individual counties, most of the responsibilities will fall on the EM for the County or hiring contractors, if funding remains available. The Executive Board will look into our options for future ETO responsibilities.

**FY2010 Workplan Discussion/Approval & FY2011 Workplan Discussion/Approval** – Chairman, Doug Ahlberg tabled these items until the next meeting since we have to make changes to the workplan and GMS as discussed with the approval of the Law Enforcement Protective Equipment Request from Jefferson Co Sheriff’s Office.

**Public & Board Comment** – Janell Walther, Public Policy Center, commented on the ATAP Conference that was April 30th – May 1st, she stated that it went well. The IJA’s Investment Justifications were submitted May 4th more information on this can be found on the website [http://homelandplanning.nebraska.edu/planningresources.php](http://homelandplanning.nebraska.edu/planningresources.php). The Preparedness Guide corrections that we have can still be sent to John Cutler or we can use the link for the survey that was sent to us, however, they won’t be printing the update sheets until the August-September time frame. Janell also reminded the EM’s
about NEMA’s Strategic Planning Survey, they really need our input, if we need the link contact her and she will resend it to us.

Doug Ahlberg, Lancaster Co reminded us that at the States Roll Out Session for the EMPG that it was brought up that the MMRS requests will be handled through Lancaster Co; it will no longer be a separate fund through the health department. More information on how this will work will be coming...

Donna Mainwaring, Fillmore Co will follow-up on the following projects: printing of the weather spotter guide books, the NWS Saline Co project - $55,000 and whether or not we need an addendum to the bid specifications stating “P25”

**Set Time, Date and Location for next meeting** – June 6th, 10:00 at Cass County EOC, 8400 144th Street, Suite 200, Weeping Water, NE, (building is at the entrance of the fairgrounds)

**Adjournment**
As there were no other items remaining on the agenda for the Southeast Regional Governance Board meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 11:33.