Southeast Nebraska Emergency Management Group Regional Governance Board

MINUTES – Regular Meeting

Draft November 5, 2015

Gage County EOC, Beatrice, Nebraska

Call to Order

Chairman John McKee called the regular meeting of the Southeast Regional Emergency Management Governance Board to order at 10:02 a.m. on November 5, 2015 at the Gage County EOC, Beatrice, Nebraska. Chairman McKee noted that the meeting was being held in compliance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act and a copy of the Act was available for inspection in the meeting room.

Board members present were John McKee (Jefferson County), Renee Critser (Nemaha County), BJ Fictum (Saline County), Bill McPherson (Thayer County), Gregg Goebel (Otoe County), Tim Stutzman (Gage County), Brian Dixon (Richardson County), Clint Strayhorn (Johnson/Pawnee Counties), Gary Petersen (Seward/York Counties), Jim Davidsaver (Lancaster County) and Roseanne Dobesh-DeGraff (Deputy Cass County). Also present were Mark Hosking (Deputy Lancaster County), Mark Sullivan (Deputy Seward County), Joe Hawkins (Deputy Gage County) and recording secretary Jana Gerdes (Nemaha County).

Visitors at the meeting were Lisa Bloss (Southeast District Health Department), Denise Bulling (University of Nebraska Public Policy Center), Ray Ryan (City of Lincoln), Clint Kaspar (City of Lincoln), Cole Dittmer (KLKN), Laura McDougall (Four Corners Health Dept), Teri Roberts (Volunteer Partners), Julie Mayers (NEMA) and Dave Wieting (Public Health Solutions).

Introduction

McKee welcomed the visitors and guests and introductions were made.

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Otoe, seconded by Cass to approve the November 5, 2015 agenda as presented with the deletion of Requests for Funding & Claims – Lancaster County TERT. Voting aye were Saline, Cass, Gage, Thayer, Richardson, Johnson/Pawnee, Seward/York, Otoe, Nemaha, Jefferson, & Lancaster; nays, none; motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Cass, seconded by Lancaster to approve the October 1, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Voting aye were Saline, Cass, Gage, Thayer, Richardson, Johnson/Pawnee, Seward/York, Otoe, Nemaha, Jefferson, & Lancaster; nays, none; motion carried.

Financial Report & Review of Grant Funding

Jim Davidsaver gave a detailed overview of the work plans and where the grants stood. He discussed in detail the upcoming 2016 work plan and the need for sustainability in the work plan. Jim handed out an overview of both the 2014 and the 2015 work plans that the board reviewed and found very helpful. The board discussed the Rapid Tag system and how many counties still did not have the system. Nemaha County will get a bid 6 full rapid tag systems with 1 additional printer for the remaining counties to be put into the 2014 and 2015 work plans.

Memorandum of Agreement – Fusion Center

Motion was made by Otoe, seconded by Seward/York to approve the Memorandum of Agreement for the Fusion Center. Voting aye were Saline, Cass, Gage, Thayer, Richardson, Johnson/Pawnee, Seward/York, Otoe, Nemaha, Jefferson, & Lancaster; nays, none; motion carried.

Reports – State Update

Julie Mayers gave an update to the grant system. She informed the group there were some slight changes to the 2CFR200; the state has gone back to micro purchases less than \$300.00 no longer need bids or quotes, however Lancaster County's purchasing department still requires the bid or quotes to be submitted. Julie also informed the group that there is now a conflict of interest form located on the GMS and NEMA websites for all federal grants.

Requests for Funding & Claims – Thayer County ICS 300

Motion was made by Seward/York, seconded by Johnson/Pawnee to approve the funding request for Thayer County ICS 300 for \$1633.00 out of the FY2015 grant. Voting aye were Saline, Cass, Gage, Richardson, Johnson/Pawnee, Seward/York, Otoe, Nemaha, Jefferson, & Lancaster; nays, none; abstaining, Thayer; motion carried.

Requests for Funding & Claims - Thayer County ICS 400

Motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Nemaha to approve the funding request for Thayer County ICS 400 for \$1677.94 out of the FY2015 grant. Voting aye were Lancaster, Jefferson, Nemaha, Otoe, Seward/York, Johnson/Pawnee, Richardson, Gage, Cass, & Saline; nays, none; abstaining, Thayer; motion carried.

Requests for Funding & Claims - Saline/Fillmore ICS400 Amended

Motion was made by Johnson/Pawnee, seconded by Thayer to approve the amended funding request for Saline/Fillmore ICS 400 for \$1300.00 to include meals out of the FY2014 grant. There was much discussion on the issue of not having the proper time to send request to the state before the class was held. Voting aye were Johnson/Pawnee; nays, Lancaster, Jefferson, Nemaha, Otoe, Seward/York, Richardson, Thayer, Gage, Cass, Saline; motion failed.

Saline County, B.J. Fictum and Seward/York Counties, Gary Peterson left the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Board Retreat Report

Denise Bulling handed out an overview of the Board Retreat that was held October 15th and 16th in Norfolk, Nebraska. Denise stated that the retreat was a success and that it should be done again. The board discussed possibly holding another retreat in early 2016 to come out of the 2014 work plan.

Bylaw Changes Discussion

The board discussed the changing of election of officers terms and rotation in detail. Motion was made by Cass, seconded by Johnson/Pawnee to have the changes discussed made in writing and then reviewed again in December before officially changing the bylaws. The board asked that Denise Bulling write up the changes for December's meeting. Voting aye were Cass, Gage, Thayer, Richardson, Johnson/Pawnee, Otoe, Nemaha, Jefferson, and Lancaster; nays, none; motion carried.

THIRA/SPR/TWPW Report

Denise informed the group that the state THIRA was being voted on at their meeting later in the day. Mark Hosking updated the group on Lancaster County's THIRA being held on November 18, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with registration starting at 8:30 a.m. He told the group that the THIRA would consist of 32 Core Capabilities.

FY2014 & FY2015 Grants

No further discussion than what was previously discussed earlier in meeting.

Reports – Executive Board

No further discussion than what was previously discussed earlier in meeting about the bylaw changes in term of office and rotation.

Reports - Communications

Ray Ryan informed the board that NRIN is now an official committee under the Nebraska Public Safety Communications Council and that Tim Hofbauer was elected as the chairman. The next NRIN board meeting will be November 12, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at the Buffalo County EOC in Kearney, NE. Ray relayed from Sue Krogman that all the Southeast Region's NRIN equipment would be out of storage by the end of December. Ray also told the group that only 25 counties had currently turned in their interlocal agreements for the participation in the election of the NRIN board. He is asking that everyone that has not gotten their interlocal agreements signed and returned do so as soon as possible, they are due by December 1, 2015. Ray also discussed the Proposed Quality of Service Standards that determine what type of data has priority when the network gets congested.

Reports - Exercise/Planning/Training

March 21st thru 25th Cass County is hosting an Advanced All Hazards class given by Blue Cell. Nemaha County is hosting an All Hazard Incident Command course November 9th thru 13th. Gage County is hosting a Rapid Tag Evacuation class on November 20, 2015 and is also looking at hosting ICS 300 and ICS 400 courses.

Reports – SE Health Care Coalition Update

It was noted that the SE Health Care Coalition is starting planning for the spring training session.

Reports – Fusion Center Update

No report at this time.

TICP Project Progress Review

John McKee asked the board to please complete the progress that has been completed for the TICP and get it turned in as soon as possible.

Board & Public Comment

The board discussed radio communications between hospitals and possible ways to improve the connections.

Set Time, Date, and Location for meetings

The board scheduled the next meeting for Thursday, December 3, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the Gage County EOC, Beatrice, NE.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Thayer and seconded by Richardson that the meeting be adjourned at 12:11 p.m. Voting aye were Cass, Gage, Thayer, Richardson, Johnson/Pawnee, Otoe, Nemaha, Jefferson, & Lancaster; nays, none; motion carried.