

SIoux FALLS REGIONAL EMS AUTHORITY MINUTES
JANUARY 20, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 P.M. by Vice Chair Tiefenthaler

Roll call

Wahlstrom: present, Tiefenthaler: present, Hart: present, Olson: present, Heineman: absent
Others present: Judy Buseman, Deanna Larson, Mike Stuhr, Scott Christensen, Faron Wahl, Mike Deitschman, Dennis Olson, Bryan Read, Julie Charbonneau

Approval of minutes

- 10-01 Motion by Wahlstrom, seconded by Hart, to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2009, meeting as distributed. Vote was as follows: Wahlstrom: yes, Tiefenthaler: yes, Hart: yes, Olson: yes, Heineman: absent.

New business

- 10-02 The Medical Board has approved two revised EMD policies. These were distributed and discussed. Motion by Wahlstrom, seconded by Hart, to adopt EMD Policy 4, "Medical Priority Dispatch Quality Improvement Plan," and EMD Policy 12, "Medical Priority Dispatch Continuing Dispatch Education Process, Roles and Responsibilities," as revised. Vote was as follows: Wahlstrom: yes, Tiefenthaler: yes, Hart: yes, Olson: yes, Heineman: absent.

REMSA received a request to do QA for ambulance service in Brandon. That request was distributed to the REMSA board members via e-mail prior to this meeting. Dennis Olson, Brandon City Administrator, was present to discuss the city of Brandon's request. The Medical Board discussed this request at their last meeting and voted to recommend that REMSA decline involvement because retrospective call review of just ambulance calls is not a quality process they support. The REMSA board and Mr. Olson discussed the request and the Medical Board's recommendation.

- 10-03 Motion by Wahlstrom, seconded by Hart, that REMSA accepts the Medical Board's recommendation and declines involvement in ambulance QA in Brandon. Vote was as follows: Wahlstrom: yes, Tiefenthaler: yes, Hart: yes, Olson: yes, Heineman: absent.

Futures Planning

The presentation from SFFR is deferred until Jim Sideras can attend a meeting.

Reports

Mike Stuhr discussed the recent weather and weather related ambulance crashes. He reviewed the driving training that staff receive, explained how drive cameras are used to assure quality, and noted the replacement ambulances that are in place.

Chair Heineman had asked prior to the meeting for an update from Metro Communications on any issues concerning the open records process. Daren Ketcham noted that there have been no problems thus far.

Faron Wahl noted that Rural/Metro has not received the used replacement portable radios from SFFR yet but they are working towards this goal.

Adjournment

- 10-04 Motion by Hart, seconded by Olson, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

Submitted by

Approved by

Julie Charbonneau
Executive Director/Executive Secretary

Phyllis Heineman
Chair