

**SIOUX FALLS REMSA MINUTES  
OCTOBER 28, 2020**

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

Roll Call

McQuisten: present, Pankonin: present, Wahlstrom: present, Wheeler: present, Myers: present  
Others present: Jill Franken, Sandy Frentz, Jon Thum, Jeff Luther, Brad Goodroad, Aimee Chase, Damian Gonzales, Jeff Kaufman, Mark Bukovich, Brian Christiaansen, Amy Marsh, Scott McMahon, Justin Faber, Mark Postma, Julie Charbonneau

Approval of minutes

- 20-25 Motion by Wahlstrom, seconded by Pankonin, to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2020, meeting as distributed. Vote was as follows: McQuisten: yes, Pankonin: yes, Wahlstrom: yes, Wheeler: yes, Myers: yes.

New business

The Medical Board has approved an equipment list for SFFR transport units and light bags for non-transport ALS units. The list was shared and discussed.

- 20-26 Motion by Pankonin, seconded by McQuisten, to adopt the SFFR ALS equipment lists as presented. Vote was as follows: McQuisten: yes, Pankonin: yes, Wahlstrom: yes, Wheeler: yes, Myers: yes.

This is Ross Wheeler's last meeting. Ross has been a valuable board member and will be missed.

Provider Reports

Metro –COVID screening continues. Scott McMahon introduced Aimee Chase, new Deputy Director.

Sioux Falls PD –Hiring continues. Academy ongoing. Law enforcement has been busy.

Sioux Falls Fire Rescue –Design and development continues on the new training facility. Hoping to open in fall of 2023. Fires are up 20% and EMS responses are up 7.5%

PatientCare EMS – Damian Gonzales presented the monthly report covering accreditation, technology status, hospital interactions, retention, hiring/training, accreditation and community events. Damian noted that the additional ambulances brought into the system for COVID-19 response will be kept here for now. PC EMS will move to N95's on all calls given the rising COVID-19 cases.

Compliance Report

Damian Gonzales reported August and September response times. All priorities are compliant but percentages are lower than historical norms. He discussed reasons and mitigation plans. Julie Charbonneau noted that response times were reviewed and found to be within contractual requirements.

Board of Health Report

Jo Pankonin reported on COVID-19, EOC operations, Vector Control, Flu Shot clinics and The Link.

Executive Secretary

The NHTSA annual report on EMS was shared.

Medical Director

Dr. Luther discussed workforce protection during COVID-19 and recent drug shortages.

Public input

Call for public input, none received.

Adjournment

- 20-27 Motion to adjourn by Wheeler, seconded by Wahlstrom. Meeting adjourned at 1:25 P.M.

Submitted by

Approved by

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Julie Charbonneau  
Executive Director/Executive Secretary

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Gary Myers  
Chair