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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

December 13, 2016

2407 Market Street Baytown, Texas 77520

0930 Sign-in

**10:00- 10:15 General Assembly
Introductions**

Approve Minutes of the September 13, 2016 General Assembly Meeting

motion made by Dana Dalby and second by Vicki Tarnow. Approved

10:15- 10:45 TDEM (Mike Jones) Texas Department Emergency Management

power point presentation

270 personnel to border for border control 87million to protect

90 major disasters since 1953. One major disaster every 8 ½ months

Tx must have 35 million dollar loss prior to asking for federal funds

24 disaster districts state coordinator Jay Hall

Will put power point presentation on RAC web site

10:45- 11:15 Reports:

Chair Update – Jeff Thibodeaux

Website new and running. Will begin to add new items to the website. Sign in sheets and minutes will be on website. Neonatal tab has been added. Events tab will have upcoming events. Calendar has all 2017 meetings. Trauma funding – 700 bills submitted to legislation with 4% reduction in each department within the state. RACS can be hurting for funding. DPR has had 3 bills to decrease funding to hospitals. EMS county funds – early Jan forms for funds will be sent out with Feb --- drop dead date. These are for funds from prior year most have invoices and copies of checks. CVD – GETAC 75% data submission requirement state at 65%. RAC R is greater than state average. New data points are required- will need to get those placed in our software. 3 proposals for CVD grants: there will be letters sent to the hospitals and representatives prior to Christmas. New questions that state is asking – 5 new questions – insurance, TIA info, etc. Tobacco fund down to 11 million. Have had funds appropriated to other programs.

GETAC appointment – general population council member Sheila Faske from Orange.

EMS affidavit for county funding extending to Dec 16.

Treasurer Update / BCON Update– Dave Ferguson

51k in grant funds. EMS CVD grants is paying for stroke classes. 2 more classes to be presented. On RAC webpage. Will be in Jan and March. Feb or March will have another payment submission. EMS county grant is in 94K split up for EMS. BCON – this will be sent to prehospital committee. Prehospital will coordinate with hospital for course to be presented in respective areas. Letter will be on website

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Bylaws / EMS Update – Lucille Maes

Draft rules to 157. Still not adopted. Will have to rewrite. Gathering of Eagles Feb 17 18 in Galveston

GETAC/TETAF/TTCF– Jeff Thibodeaux, Kathy Rodgers, Lucille Maes

EMS conference – Pearland and PHI received awards. Tobacco funds and RACS are being reviewed at legislation. 8 RAC hubs are being discussed. Trauma uncompensated applications were extended to Feb 28 due to ICD 10. Free standing ED to be discussed later. Kathy Perkins resigned. Capital day Feb. 21.

Committee Reports - Committee Chair's

Hospital – understand hospital participation requirements.

Prehospital – membership packets are not fulfilled. Members will be notified.

Acute care – stroke and STEMI data

Injury prevention – Fred Ortiz new chair – matter of balance –

Neonatal – discussed survey process – TETAF and American Academy of Pediatrics

HPP and Corridor Update – Jeremy Way, Lisa Spivey, Lori Upton

HPP contract has gone over 34%. SETRAC will put out an RFP for RAC R and H. CMS has made it an obligation for hospitals and other entities to be a part of the HPP process

EMTF 6- Mark Sastre

6 handouts 2017 draft calendar – regional MMU tour. Infectious disease response unit – UTMB only treatment center. Will provide update for hospitals. TMORT will be modeled after an MMU model – will be forensics

DSHS 6/5S no update

11:15-11:45 Performance Improvement Case Review (Max Nguyen)

Head injury no PI issues identified. Discussion of when to start IV's, IO, Mannitol and labetalol use in head injuries. Herniation syndromes discussed. Airway with oxygenation and ventilation differences discussed.

11:45- 12:15 Lunch Provided by Physio Control (Troy Kastens & Carlos Graudard)



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- 12:15 –12:45** **Free Standing ED’s Conversation** - Kathy Rodgers, RN gave a presentation regarding the subcommittee of GETAC dealing with free standing EDs. The criteria for a Type I, II, and III were discussed. It was stressed that there is no state rule for EMS to go to free standing EDs. The decision to go to a free standing ED is the decision of the EMS medical director.
- 12:45- 13:45** **Committee meetings**
Injury Prevention: Chair: Fred Ortiz, Co-Chair: Lisa Camp
Acute Care: Chair: Teanna Kasarda, Co-Chair: Kristina Aleman
Neonatal: Chair: Kelli Huebel, Co-Chair: Tara McEachern
- 13:45 –14:45** **Committee Meetings**
Hospital Committee: Chair: Diana Grimm-Mapp, Co-Chair: Darlene Farek
Pre-hospital Committee: Chair: Jimmy Blanchard, Co-Chair: Dustin Lowe

Meeting times are projected and may vary from the agenda.

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