

MINUTES
Region H
Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee

July 16, 2007
6:00 PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Corey Sloan, Police Chief	Bob Vey, Private Industry/Public Utility
Bill Brinton, Emergency Mgmt Director	Mike Strong, Sheriff
Phil Rickabaugh, Fire Chief	Jay Ebersold, City/County Public Works
Don Moore, Mayor/City Administrator	Kenneth Warren, County Commissioner
Susan Staashelm, 911	Karla Long, Volunteer Group
Mike Curran, HSRT	Steve Groshong, Emergency Medical Services
Lisa Becton, Agriculture	Wally Patrick, Hospital Association
Mike O'Neal, County Health	

ALTERNATES PRESENT:

Keith Wood, Police Chief	Dennis Martin, Sheriff
John Gannon, Fire Chief	Kim Oaks, County Health
Don Jagger, 911	Rodney Hummer, Private Ind/Public Utility

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:

Lt. Ralph Bledsoe, Mo State Water Patrol	C. Jon Hinkle, DHSS
Koelle Barbour, MoDOT	Stoney Bowers, Mo Division of Fire Safety
Tom Bliss, Mo-Kan Regional	Roger Wolken, Mo Dept. of Conservation
Jeffrey Daise, MoANG	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jackie Spainhower, Mo-Kan Regional Council	Tye Parsons, NW Regional Council
Zada Farris, SEMA	Jay Bosch, SEMA
Lance Rains, Green Hills RPC	David Finch, Mo OHS
Tyler Warner, Dept. of Natural Resources	Richard Bennett, Cameron Fire Dept.
Steve Clay, Cameron CERT	Mike Wood, Mo DHSS
Ralph Dishong, American Red Cross	George Albert, Training Coordinator
Bill Bangerter, Midwest Mobile	Jackie Wolf, Mo-Kan Regional Council

The meeting of Region H Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee was held July 16, 2007 at Red Cross, 401 N. 12th Street, St. Joseph, MO.

1. **Roll Call**-A silent roll call was taken.
2. **Approval of April 16, 2007 Minutes**-Wally Patrick made a motion to accept the minutes of April 16, 2007 as presented, seconded by Karla Long. 15 yeas, 0 nay, motion approved.
3. **Working Group Reports-Voting members**
 - Karla Long, Mass Care**-Continue to work on getting shelter training issues resolved. The group also needs to identify an alternate member for the volunteer discipline.
 - Susan Staashelm, Interoperable Communications**-Survey is almost complete, just waiting on one county. New alternate member for 911 is Don Jagger from Atchison County.

Don Moore, Volunteers and Donations-Need to find a replacement for the city discipline alternate. Mo-Kan is currently working on this issue.

Dan Hausman, Agri-terrorism-Jackie Spainhower reported that the subcommittee hired an Agri-terrorism planner for Region H. Dan has also located an alternate to serve under Lisa Becton in the Agriculture discipline. The alternate will be Bob Kelly from the University of Missouri Extension Office in St. Joseph.

4. **Chairman's Report, Corey Sloan**- Issues have surfaced concerning the individuals who were hired as Emergency Services Coordinator, George Albert and Ag-terrorism Planner, John Hesson. These have been addressed by Mo-Kan, Steve Groshong and Corey Sloan. Region H received three proposals for the Mass Care Coordinator, and two proposals for the Emergency Service Coordinator. A group of board members, ex-officio members and Mo-Kan employees reviewed the proposals and made recommendations. The Agri-terrorism Planner position received no proposals for the first round, and for the second round received two. Again a committee reviewed and made recommendations.

Safe Schools working group will host a Safe Schools Summit on August 8, 2007 in St. Joseph.

Corey attended a grant seminar in regards to CERT Teams and would like for CERT trainees to get involved and attend the HSOC meetings.

5. **FY06 Grant Updates**

- a. **Ag Terrorism Planner**-Introduction of John Hesson who is currently attending training in Branson.

Emergency Services Training Coordination-Introduction of George Albert who presented information about training classes, and asked for assistance in deciding what classes are needed and where to host them.

Mass Care Specialist-Introduction of Ralph Dishong with Red Cross who gave a brief presentation of what is being planned with for this position.

- b. **Equipment Purchases**-Mo-Kan has received all the agreements and MOUs from the jurisdictions. Preparing bid packets for procurement. Working on a timeline to get installation and programming completed.

6. **Approval of Region H HSOC Bylaws**-There are 16 core disciplines as of the October 2006 meeting. **Karla Long made a motion to accept the By-Laws as introduced on October 16, 2006 with the 16 core disciplines, seconded by Mike Curran. 15 yeas, 0 nay, motion approved.**

Break

Meeting resumed 7:38pm

7. **Region H Membership**-Corey Sloan read a letter of resignation from John Hesson, HSRT primary member voting member. Mike Curran will move up from the alternate position and HSRT has named Brian Carter as the alternate.
Zada Farris from SEMA answered questions concerning terms of members. After the first year of the committee all positions will be for two years, two years as an alternate and two years as a primary. Ultimately they will be serving four years. **Wally Patrick made a motion to accept John Hesson's resignation, seconded by Don Moore. 15 yeas, 0 nay, motion approved.**

Wally Patrick made a motion for Brain Carter to fill the alternate position for HSRT, seconded by Kenneth Warren. 15 yeas, 0 nay, motion approved.

Karla Long made a motion to appoint Rock Kieffer as the alternate for the hospital association, seconded by Bill Brinton. 15 yeas, 0 nay, motion approved.

8. **FY07 Investment Justification Prioritization Discussion/State Award Amount**-Zada gave an overview of the prioritization process (rating sheets) for the 2007 Investment Justifications. Need to submit one rating sheet per working group to Tom Bliss by July 27, 2007.
9. **Interoperable Communications Grants-OHS**-David Finch mentioned funding opportunities that are available for the State, but a requirement is that the State has in place a statewide Interoperability plan before applying. One key component of this plan is the communication survey. Applications will be due November 1st. Grant has a 25% match requirement and has to be in compliance with the statewide plan.
10. **Turnover in October 2007-OHS**-Zada covered the membership turnover that will take place at the October meeting. All members will be asked to attend the meeting as usual and then turnover will take place at a designated time on the agenda.
11. **Review of Training "Short List"**-A training survey was online and consisted of a long survey. Now a short list is available, but not all inclusive. SEMA would like to see each working group fill one out. It will overlap with some of George Albert's duties, so he will contact primary working group members, collect contact information and send out the surveys.
12. **Assignment of Primary and Alternate to SETAG-SEMA**-Need to name a primary and alternate to sit on a training group to represent Region H. George Albert will be the primary and Bill Brinton will be the alternate for Region H.
13. **Health Update-MO Department of Health and Senior Services**-Mike Wood presented an update for the Department of Health. Need to take into consideration special need individuals during a time of crisis. Special needs locations need to have a plan for heating, cooling, and electrical services. Social Services should be involved with the planning.
14. **Next Meeting Date/Location**-The next meeting will be held October 15, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. at Cameron Emergency Operations Center, City Hall Basement, 205 N Main, Cameron, MO.
15. **Adjourn-Don Moore made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Susan Staashelm. Meeting adjourned.**