

MINUTES
Region H
Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee

October 16, 2006
11:00 AM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rhonda Wiley, Emergency Management Director	Corey Sloan, Police Chief
Phil Rickabaugh, Fire Chief	John Hesson, HSR T
Jay Ebersold, City/County Public Works	Don Moore, Mayor/City Admin.
Dan Hausman, County Commissioner	Bob Vey, Industry/Utility
Mike Strong, Sheriff	Susan Staashelm, 911
Steve Groshong, Emergency Medical Service	Karla Long, Volunteer Group

ALTERNATES PRESENT:

Bill Brinton, Emergency Management Director	Mike Curran, HS RT
Drew Bontrager, City/County Public Works	Rodney Hummer, Industry/Utility
Jon Roe, Emergency Medical Service	Tabby McClanahan, 911
Dennis Martin, Sheriff	Keith Wood, Police Chief

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:

Sgt. Eldon Wulf, Mo State Water Patrol	Cpt. Johnnie Hoggatt, MSHP
Koelle Barbour, MoDOT	Stoney Bowers, DFS
Steve Cheavens, SEMA	Roarke Holzschuh, MDNR
Tom Bliss, Mo-Kan Regional Council	Paul Fennewald, DHS

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jackie Wilson, Mo-Kan Regional Council	Tye Parsons, NW Regional Council
Lance Rains, Green Hill RPC	Zada Farris, SEMA
Jackie Wolf, Mo-Kan Regional Council	Arnie Kreek, NW Regional Council
Randall Willoughby, DNR	Bill Bangerter, Midwest Mobile
Clarence Green, NWMSU	Alan Garrison, DHS
Sgt. Brian Carter, Buchanan Co Sheriff	Tom Hill, FSD

The meeting of Region H Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee was held October 16, 2006 at the American Red Cross Building, 401 N 12th Street, St. Joseph, MO at 11:00AM.

1. **Roll Call**-Sign-in sheet was circulated with everyone signing in.
2. **Approval of September 21, 2006 Minutes.** Dan Hausman made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2006 meeting, seconded by Bob Vey. Board Approved.
3. **Paul Fennewald, Homeland Security Coordinator.** Paul Fennewald spoke to the board about school safety issues. There is a great need for consistency across the state for these issues. Thursday, there will be a web telecast from the Missouri School Board Association where we are with school safety and where do we need to be. Web based planning tool for school safety.
4. **Presentation of Region H Website.** Tye Parsons, NW Regional Council Director, gave a brief look at the proposed website for Region H. Tye asked for any feedback about the website. The staff has come up with a logo that is part of the website. The website should be a tool for communication about the Homeland Security grants and the committee meetings. One e-mail to go to Jackie and she will forward to Chair and Vice-Chair, then consensus would determine which discipline that would go to.

5. **Discussion of Additional Discipline Members.** Glen Barry, Russell Thompson or Nassar might be good contacts as Ex-Officio members for schools since they are already involved with these issues on the State level.

Agriculture, School Members, and Hospitals. The thought was the Hospital Association was going to have a representative. Steve Groshong will contact the Hospital Association. Discussion of the Agriculture section, need to decide because it is such a wide industry. Dan Hausman was thinking something from the University Extension or someone like that. Need someone with a broad based knowledge not just one field.

Rhonda had sent some names of administrators in Atchison County. Determine as to how the new members will be voted on and become a board member.

Under current By-Laws can add a discipline as needed. Any new discipline would have to be approved by the state and then amend By-Laws to reflect such change.

Media was a suggestion to add to the discipline. After discussion, that idea has been dropped; maybe add as an Ex-Officio member if needed in the future.

Don Moore made a motion to add schools as a voting discipline member with Bob Vey seconded. Motion approved.

Rhonda Wiley made a motion to add hospitals as a voting discipline member with Phil Rickabaugh seconded. Motion approved.

Dan Hausman made a motion to add agriculture as a voting discipline member with Don Moore seconded. Motion approved.

Adjourned for lunch at 12:05 will start again at 12:38

6. **Discussion and Adoption of Region H By-Laws.** Jon Hesson made a motion to approve the By-Laws as written with Dan Hausman seconded. Motion approved.

Discussion was held and decided to wait to amend By-Laws with the new disciplines until after they have been approved by the State.

7. **Reports from Working Groups**

Susan Staashelm 911- Only received one comment back needing radios.

Rhonda Wiley Emergency Management Director- Overwhelmingly supports all justifications Agriterrorism to help in each community, needs to be more planning, maybe hire full time person for the region. Cert Teams citizen core cert teams funded. Interoperable communications more information will be forwarded only a couple of radios maybe. All the interoperable needs are overwhelming.

Karla Long Volunteer Group-Have had some trouble getting a working group together. Have been talking with counterpart in Kansas City about what would work well. Shelter trailers in the area, currently have one in St. Joseph and one in Kansas City. Goal would be communities to have shelters themselves. Hire a mass care specialist, someone to go out in the 15 counties and train people on how to run a shelter. One trailer for every two counties.

Mike Strong Sheriff- Meeting hasn't taken place yet, but would imagine the most need will be interoperability. More information will be forthcoming

