

**Planning & Outreach Functional Group
Meeting Minutes
January 17, 2007**

I. Call to Order @1012 by Joe Gibson

II. Introductions: Rhonda Montgomery advised she is currently at Casa Grande Regional and the AEMS rep in the interim due to multiple new players.

III. Approval of Previous Planning & Outreach Minutes – motion to accept and second- unanimous approval to accept as presented.

IV. Chair's Report- Joe reported SWA is located in a new facility where the next board meeting will be in February. AEMS office has also moved from the Glendale office to a new location in the Rural Metro Granite Reef on January 1st— the phone number will remain the same. Joe invited the membership to come forward with anyone interested in working on the AEMS website. One company who developed the website has been a dead end. There are monies allocated.

V. EMS Odyssey

A. 2007 Conference Planning – Joe reported on behalf of the conference committee. Joe invited anyone interested in participating in the conference. The committee does need some additional manpower. Conference will be at the Mesa Marriott in downtown Mesa May 31-June 1. The conference will offer a variety of topics and skills, The teaser card will be going out shortly.

VI. EMS Week

A. Regional / State Activities- Terry reported on planning activities to support regions. There is a functioning EMS week planning committee including physiological scenario competition.

B. EMS Recognition Awards- Peggy reported on the current plan for the annual EMS awards. Peggy asked for volunteers to assist with the nomination process. The nominees and winners will be presented at the EMS Odyssey Conference luncheon. Terry Mason volunteered. Joe encouraged agencies to nominate someone.

VI. Mass Casualty Management

A. State Report- no new updates- Terry advised there is a new bureau chief for emergency preparedness (name to be announced soon). Faith asked for information on when the drill for the super bowl will occur—Joe advised the BCS bowl was a precursor. Joe advised SWA is a partner- understood it was well managed by Glendale. Joe will work with Chuck Montgomery for an update

B. Counties Report- no new information

C. Other Reports

VIII. Old Business-none

IX. New Business-none

X. Call to Public- Charlann advised there are three letters for review in the back drafted from the AZENA that address issues related to the state report card: primary seatbelt law, use of booster seats and graduated license changes—each of these initiatives will be represented in new bills in the next two weeks. Your review and support is greatly appreciated. Joe congratulated Charlann in her re-elected to the Air Ambulance Representative on the AZ Ambulance Association last week. Joe summarized the other positions as well including Roy Ryals as the new President, Rob Briscoe- VP.

XI. Adjournment@1032

**Next Functional Group Meeting: March 21, 2007
@ 2495 South Industrial Boulevard ♦ Tempe, AZ**

**Next Board of Governors Meeting: February 21, 2007
@ Southwest Ambulance ♦ 708 West Baseline Road ♦ Mesa, AZ**

**7th Annual EMS Odyssey Conference
May 31 – June 1, 2007
Mesa Marriott Hotel**

