

AEMS
Functional Group Meeting Minutes
January 21, 2015

Voting Members in Attendance: Janet Backers, RN; Marcia Barry, RN; Barb Bovee, RN; Kathy Brown, RN; Sheila Bryant, RN; Peter Como; Gabe Gabriel, RN; Garth Gemar, MD; Joe Gibson; Rebecca Haro, Mickey Kovach, RN, Robert Londeree, MD, Terry Mason, RN, Tracy Moroney, RN, Sandy Nygaard, Tracey Schlosser, RN, Rebecca Stewart, RN, and Mary White, RN

Distinguished Guests in Attendance: Lynn Akin, Brian O'Leary, Jorad Massengak, Mark Essary, Tomi St. Mars, Karla Good, Ryan Herold, Nicola Crim, Shane Kelber, Alyson Welch, Franco Castro-Marin, MD, Jesus Rugra, Willie Haro, and Daniel Didier

- I. Meeting called to order at 10:05 am by Sandy Nygaard. Introductions done.

- II. Administrative Affairs
 - A. General Report—Sandy Nygaard
 1. Approval of meeting minutes----done with change to Arizona Resuscitation Academy to be held February 13, 2015. Please register.
 2. AEMS Report: Peggy Baker. The National EMS Museum has requested items related to EMS in the State of Arizona. They are a non-profit organization and have a traveling museum. They have been invited to come to the AEMS Odyssey. More information can be obtained from www.emsmuseum.org.
 3. State Activities:
 - a. State meetings: STAB/EMSC/PMD Thursday January 22, 2015.
 - b. AZ Resuscitation Academy February 13, 2015
 - c. STEMI reports will be released in late January
 4. Announcements: nothing new
 5. Old Business: nothing new
 6. New Business: nothing new
 - B. Planning and Outreach Report---Sandy Nygaard
 1. Committee/Task Force: met prior to Functional Group
 2. 2015 AEMS Odyssey Conference:
 - a. 15th Year for the AEMS Odyssey. June 10-12, 2015.
 - b. Always looking for new sponsors. Let Peggy know if interested
 - c. Scholarship Fund monies always welcome and appreciated
 - d. Added Public Safety track. Speaker will be discussing suicide bombing.
 - e. Pre-Conference added June 10, 2015-Pediatric Emergency Preparedness.
 3. 2015 Aces of Hearts Award nominations will kick off in February, "heart month."
 - C. Patient Management Report-Sandy Nygaard
 1. Transfer of Care:
 - a. Sector Updates: Central Sector had a rotation issue and education was done.
 - b. Administrative Oversight Status Report-Dr Gemar
 1. Last meeting December 2014
 2. Diversion times for the East Valley were very minimal Sept/Oct/Nov.
 3. Offload times remain under 30 minute benchmark for all facilities
 4. Behavioral Health Hours and Holds discussed; numbers were down in December.
 5. Next meeting February 10, 2015 at 0900 at Mesa Fire Administration.
 2. Categorization: Dr Londeree
 - a. Committee met just prior to AEMS meeting
 - b. Very few hospitals missing categorizations now. Please let AEMS now of any contact numbers/e-mails for missing hospitals.
 - c. Hospital Categorizations will be voted on in February Board Meeting.

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3. Arizona Stroke Initiative: Dr Londeree
All designated Arizona Stroke Centers have been sent info for review. Stroke has now dropped from the 4th to the 5th cause of deaths in the United States.
4. REDbook: Alyson Welch
Will meet February 18, 2015 at 0930 for Medical Directors. Location will be announced.
5. Pediatric:
 - a. PACES will meet February 3, 2015 from 1000 to 1200 at DHS.
 - b. Arizona Pediatric Symposium will be February 8-9, 2015 in Sedona.
 - c. SIDS training to be done in Tucson March 3-4, 2015.
 - d. National Pediatric Conference-November 2-4, 2015 at the JW Marriott
 - e. Pediatric Mental Health Workshop will be announced soon.
 - f. SIDS death's increasing-more education will be done for the public.

6. Trauma

- a. Super Bowl Sunday: 5 K Run to benefit Arizona Trauma Centers. See aztrac.org for information.
- b. First Annual Geriatric Trauma Conference Planned
7. Behavioral Health: nothing new First Annual Geriatric Trauma Conference Planned
8. Hospital Updates: nothing new

D. Other:

1. Committee and Other Program Updates
 - a. EMS council: scheduled for January 29, 2015
 - b. STAB: scheduled for January 29, 2015
 - c. PACES: already reported
 - d. PMD-scheduled for January 29, 2015.
 - e. Mass Casualty Management: Joe Gibson
 1. Focusing on Super Bowl, Pro Bowl, and other events coming to the valley in January and February.
 - f. Other: nothing new

- III. Topical Focus: EMS Border Patrol Issues presented by Jim Belschner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection
- IV. Central Region Agency/Hospital Profile: Observation Services for Children and Adolescents (OSCA) Program presented by St Luke's Behavioral Health Center Eureka Ragan and Luiz Gonzales
- V. Lunch and Learn: Drugs of Abuse Frank LoVecchio, DO, MPH, FACEP, ABMT Professor, Emergency Medicine, Pharmacology and Medicine, University of Arizona COM Co-Director Banner Poison and Drug Information Center
- VI. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Mickey Kovach RN