

# Southwest Planning Exercise and Training Region

## June 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes

The SWPETR met Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at the Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department office in McCook, Ne. It immediately followed the 10 a.m. SWLEPC meeting.

Regional representatives from 6 of the 7 counties were present: Chase-EM Duane Dreiling; Dundy-EM Brandon Myers, Region 51 EMA Director.; Hayes- EM Char Hamilton; Hitchcock- EM Brandon Myers, Region 51 EMA director, Deputy EM Kyle Clapp; Perkins-Sheriff/EM James Brueggeman; Red Willow-Sheriff/EM Alan Kotschwar Deputy EM Diana Wilkinson

Absent: Roger Powell, Region 17 EMA director- Furnas Co.

Also in attendance were: Logan Lueking and Merci Suarez, NEMA; Ryan Lowry, UNL Public Policy Center; Myra Stoney, SWNE Public Health Dept. Director; Heidi Wheeler, Nebraska Plains Healthcare Coalition; Jennifer Doucet, McCook Police Dept.; Bill Elliott, Red Willow Western RVFD Chief; Shannon Sell, Region II Human Services;

**1) Call meeting to order-Open Meeting Law:** Meeting was called to order by Duane Dreiling at 10:23 a.m.

### **2) Introductions, review and approve the agenda**

**3) Review and approve the minutes of the previous meeting:** Motion was made by Char, seconded by Brandon, to approve the agenda and the minutes from the March meeting and waive the reading. All voted aye. Motion carried.

### **4) Old Business:**

**a) Financials:** Jim reported on the grants. 2015 deadline is Aug. 2018. Remaining funds for unfinished projects were returned to NEMA for reallocation.

**b) Grants:** 2016: \$ 186,103. About \$ 20,000 is for credentialing, some for cert. The largest portion is the \$134,000 for nrin buildout.

### **5) New Business:**

Discussion was held on use of grant funds. Group members would like to follow through on projects for the region, rather than returning so much to the state agency.

**a) Spending funds on credentialing and track apps.:** Brandon led a discussion on purchase of printers and tracking apps for the credentialing system. Tracking apps must be purchased in blocks of 5 device apps./users for \$ 500. \$ 1,381 has been allocated for purchase of printing supplies. Brandon will pursue equipment purchases.

**b) Supplies for CERT:** Brandon brought up purchasing/spending of funds allocated for CERT. Kyle will bring ideas for equipment to the next meeting.

**6) Election of Officers:** The group determined the bylaws state the chair and vice chair serve two year terms, with the vice chair moving up to a two year chair term after two years. We are currently in the middle of the two year cycle, so will not need elections at this time.

**7) Good of the Group:**

Heidi reported on upcoming training on deployment of the strategic national stockpile June 25th. She circulated a flyer to the group. She will send more via email.

Shannon reported on the Great Plains Disaster Behavioral Health Conference in Omaha July 20<sup>th</sup>. Region II has trainers for mental health first aid training. Need 8-10 people. No cost to responder agencies.

Logan reported a letter will be sent out from Nikki regarding LEOP update scheduling. They will be due June 30<sup>th</sup>. Bold Planning is still months away.

Merci reminds everyone to keep inventories current. They will be due to turn in in November. EMPG grant applications will be coming out soon.

Ryan Lowry reminded the region about scheduling a regional THIRA. The state THIRA should be in October. Kate will be happy to assist. Heidi and the healthcare coalition are also wanting to assist. After discussion, the group agreed THIRA will be Sept. 12th, following the quarterly meeting.

**8) Next Meeting: September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018:** The next meeting of the SWPETR: will be September 12th, 2018, following the 10 am SWLEPC meeting at the McCook City training office in McCook.

**9) Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned.

**Add Shannon to emails.**

/s/ Kyle Clapp, recorder