



**North Central Regional Board
Denver Urban Area Working Group**



Joint Governance Meeting

West Metro Fire Training Facility
3535 S. Kipling
Lakewood, CO

August 10, 2017

Minutes

1. Call to Order / Welcome

Ryan Broughton called the meeting to order at 9:30am.

2. **Attendance / Quorum Established**

NCR Board Members Present:

Richard Atkins, Michelle Askenazi, Dave Daley (proxy for Bob Baker), Sam McGhee (proxy for Nick Metz), Peter Perez (proxy for Dan Eamon), Dave Anderson (proxy for Kent Davies and Dave Ramos), Jane Thomas (proxy for Kathleen Krebs), Ryan Broughton, Sylvia Sich, Tim Johnson, TJ Steck, Stephen Cole, Jim Crawford (proxy for Kevin Armstrong), Clint Fey, Brian Daley (proxy for Mark Gutke), Marci Linton

NCR Board Members Absent:

Mike Chard, Rick Albers, Craig Rollins, Alex Jakubowski, Charlie Mains

9 members were present, 8 members were represented by proxies, 5 members were absent. A quorum was attained.

UASI Working Group Member Attendance/Quorum Established

UAWG Members Present:

Ron Sigman, Nate Fogg (Arapahoe Co alternate), Dave Mitchell (Arvada Fire alternate), Matt Chapman, Kirk Dominic, Stephanie Hackett (Brighton alternate), Jerry Rhodes, Ryan Broughton, Sylvia Sich (Denver PD alternate), W J Haskins (Glendale PD alternate), Brian Daley (alternate for Jefferson Co), Dave Daley, Clint Fey, JJ Elliott, Mike Hendershot

UAWG Members Absent:

Stuart Sunderland, Tim Englert, Scott Jones, Chris Armstrong, Gene Enley, RTD, Dave Bierwiler, Stephen Kelley

15 members were present, 8 primaries and 7 alternates. 8 members were absent. Quorum was reached.

3. Addition/Deletion of Agenda Items- None

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Scott Kellar made a minor change to the minutes on behalf of the Red Cross.

Sam McGhee made a motion to approve the minutes. Peter Perez seconded. Motion passed with no objections.

5. Regional Committee Updates

Citizen Preparedness Committee: Peter Perez updated the board. The committee has been updating their bylaws. The biggest change is that CPR and CERT instructors will no longer be paid after the FY17 Grant. Current projects will still be funded. The committee also approved an itemized list of equipment that will be allowed in future grant applications. Peter asked the board to approve said changes.

Stephanie Hackett made a motion to approve the minutes. Clint Fey seconded. Motion passed with no objections.

Animal Emergencies Committee: Anne Walton updated the board. The committee has built tremendous capability over the past 10 years and has enough equipment to cover the region. They also have built great relationships with neighboring regions. The committee updated their work plan in June, participated with the state in an exercise in June, and are putting on two CART trainings.

Scott Kellar asked about the animal response teams and if the region needs one per county. Anne thinks we have the capacity but they not be formalized as “CARTS”. Still some room to grow but mostly on the human/volunteer side.

Fatality Management Committee: Jill Romann updated the board. Jill is the coroner for Douglas County and the new chair. She is proud of the cohesiveness of the group and thinks the mass fatality plan is great but my need work in the future. They participated in the DIA exercise. The plan worked out well, paperwork worked out well, and the management philosophy worked (lead agency where the incident occurs). Jill also discussed how most coroners are revising their computer programs in the region.

6. Old Business

a. FY17 Planning Calendar

Scott Kellar walked the board through the rest of the year’s planning process. Starting with the risk assessment workshop, we will move into possibly two TEPWs. Capability assessments went out to the committees and have a three step process: (1) Committees will look at capability measures and make any changes (2) Committees will score the capability measures and (3) Risk assessment and capability assessments will help inform both the TEPW and THIRA planning workshops.

Tim Reutiman talked about the two part TEPW. Whatever comes out of the first workshop will then be vetted by the T&E Committee. Training and exercises need to have better justification to go to the state. The trainings need to be filling a gap and work towards a larger series.

Fran Santagata mentioned that other regions don't have as robust of a planning process as the NCR.

b. Regional Risk Assessment Workshop

Kevin Kay updated on the upcoming Risk Assessment Workshop. The workshop is almost full, but a push to private sector stakeholders would be appreciated.

c. Regional TICP Adoption

Discipline specific issues are being added into the TICP/FOG. The TICP will be sent out before the September Board Meeting. The TICFOG will be sent out for the October Board Meeting.

d. FirstNet Status

The State has submitted follow-up questions to FirstNet. Chief Rhodes gave an update. The National Fire Chiefs Association sent a letter to all governors to opt in. The Colorado Fire Chiefs said let us deal with it ourselves. They want to wait on other RFPs for just Colorado. Even if we opt out, the system will work but may take years to get permission. Neighboring rural states have an interest for Colorado to opt in.

e. Regional Exercise Updated

Fatality Management Exercise at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds on September 19th.

Hazmat/Decon will crosstrain with hospitals. They will record the training for responders who can't make the training.

The breaching drill will be on a Tuesday in October.

The National training support application is in for the cyber series.

f. Denver RRAP Update

Jaime Richards updated the board. The RRAP study is looking at data center and fiber line resiliency. High concentration of this infrastructure in downtown Denver and the Tech Center. Major questions include how 911 service is dependent on hardline infrastructure, and how limited broadband to rural areas affect tech services for government. Next even is August 22nd at FORTRUST. They will walk through three different scenarios. Chief Rhodes asked about the involvement of the PSAPS, Jaime said they are involved.

g. UASI Inventory and Monitoring

Lin Bonesteel said there has been a lot of depreciated equipment. If the equipment is under \$5000 she won't have to see the equipment. However, once the equipment is disposed of the paperwork must be kept for 3 years.

Lin has made a conditional offer to a new employee for the UASI.

h. Active Grant Status Update

Scott Kellar said the 2015 grant is mostly complete. From 2016, most projects are also complete.

Lin Bonesteel said there are no major issues in 2015, they just finished transfer switches. For 2016 there are no major issues. They are making sure the Regional Hospital response plan project is not supplanting. James and the EMS subcommittee have scoped out who needs programming for the green channel expansion.

7. New Business

a. State Homeland Security Strategy Planning Update

Scott Kellar said the strategy was to get a larger group of planners to work on the strategy. The group has a good makeup. Next step is a survey to collect data. The process will take a while but he will keep the board informed.

Fran Santagata mentioned that work products may go to individual regions for more specific feedback.

b. Special Event Data Call

Cory Stark updated the board. The previous threshold for special events was 3,000 people. The process opened on August 1st and there isn't specific guidance yet. This is a voluntary process. One remaining webinar on August 15th to talk about guidelines.

c. Recent Events

Ryan Broughton updated the board on recent events. Still a large number of attacks, mostly ram and stab attacks. Lots of bombings, and there is more focus on military and diplomatic targets. There was a discussion about the North Korean threat and the possibility of Denver being an evacuation point.

d. Bolder Boulder PRND Brief

Fran Santagata updated the board. Before the presentation, Fran discussed the case in Tampa with the neo-Nazis. There was also another incident in Colorado with more information to follow. Fran then went through her presentation from the Boulder Boulder – contact Fran if you want the PPT.

8. State/Regional Partner Updates

a. DHSEM

Cory Stark talked about the OEM staff changes at DHSEM. Moving recovery and resilience back to DOLA. Marilyn will lead that division. Vacancy of DHSEM OEM Director will be filled – national search. Interim OEM Director is Ezzie Michaels. Response operations, field services and SEOC overseen by Bruce Holloman.

LEPC Conference September 6th-8th.

SBA disaster declaration from the hail storm has around \$600,000.

SWIC has been hired and will start in August.

IMT money is out, may be a position to oversee that money.

Fran mentioned the Red Cross Active Threat event on September 14th at Lone Tree.

b. Other State agencies

CDOT – Elbert Hunt

Elbert briefly discussed the traffic associated with the Eclipse.

c. RETAC – No report

d. Mile High Red Cross

Katie Fisk talked about the smoke alarm initiative. They helped 913 in the fiscal year, mostly in Denver and Arapahoe. They served 40 clients in July. Red Cross participated in the DIA exercise with mental health representatives.

e. DRCOG – No report

Chief Rhodes briefly talked about the Cherry Creek evacuation planning process. There was a discussion around the scenario and some issues with the process. Sylvia Sich is unimpressed with the vendor for the plan, thinks it is unrealistic.

Ryan Broughton briefly mentioned their EOC initiative to train 270.

9. Other Business/Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 11:48am by Chief Rhodes.