



GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES JUNE 18, 2019

Meeting called to order at 0904.

Introductions of attendees and guests.

Approval of minutes: The minutes for March 21, 2019 were reviewed. Motion to approve made by Brian Singleton and seconded by Toni Maddox. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Finance Report: Dave Ferguson reviewed the budget vs actual report. We are approaching the end of the fiscal year and the county grant has been closed. Other grants still with approximately \$90,000 to be spent. Jeff Thibodeaux formed a Grant Advisory Committee. The purpose of the committee is to receive input from RAC committees and provide feedback to the Board with recommendations for expenditure for the next fiscal year based on the needs of the committees/membership. Jeff introduced the committee members: Max Nguyen, Tommy Leigh, Andrea Anderson, Brenda Yanez and Kelli Huebel.

Approve Stroke Plan: The revised stroke plan was previously sent via email to the RAC representative for each entity. This is a guideline to provide stroke care in the region. Motion to approve by Dana Dalbey, seconded by Tommy Leigh. No discussion. Motion carried. Plan will be added to the RAC web page.

Chair Report: Jeff provided an update on the approved bills voted on by the state legislature:

- HB 871 Telemedicine in Level IV facilities
- HB 1631 Red light cameras will no longer be utilized. Contracts will not be renewed in cities that currently have red light cameras.
- HB 1869 Three to four members were added to the GETAC council.
- HB 2794 The Texas Department of Emergency Management will be under the umbrella of Texas AM.
- Funding- EMS increased to 3%. Funding for hospitals will also increase. RAC's increased to 2%.
- HB 498 Bleeding Control in public and charter schools passed. TEA will administer however lean on the 22 RAC's to assist with teaching. This is an unfunded mandate for schools.
- Driver responsibility bill has been repealed.

Recognition of Dana Dalbey: Dana Dalbey was presented with a plaque for his dedication as a RAC board member for the past 12 years. His current position as the Asst. Chief Baytown Fire has added additional duties which limit his availability and



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participation with the Board at the level he feels is needed. He will continue to attend and support the RAC. Thank you for your dedication to the RAC.

Election Results for FY 20 Board of Director Positions: Each candidate provided a brief summary of their background and what they will bring to the RAC. Election results as follows:

- Tommy Leigh (uncontested)- Other Position #3
- Alyson Nickum-Smith (uncontested)- Air Medical
- Katrina Landry (uncontested)- Maternal
- Kathy Rodgers-Hospital Position #3
- Wendell Wiley-EMS Position #3
- Brenda Yanez-Acute Care

Motion by Brian Singleton to destroy ballots. Second by Jon Clingaman. Motion carried. Dave Ferguson will destroy the ballots.

Case Review (Trauma): Tommy Leigh and Diana Grimm-Mapp presented a trauma case with submersion injury. Case focused on rapid progression of pulmonary contusions/aspiration pneumonia necessitating ECMO. Reviewed the purpose of ECMO, considerations, complications and mortality. Discussion was opened to the membership. The group felt pre-hospital care was appropriate. Several commented that knowing the outcome with or without ECMO that the decision to place the patient on ECMO gave the son time to arrive from out of state.

Perinatal Update: Kelli Huebel stated SB 749 passed which changed the deadline to 2021 for hospitals to be designated in maternal care. She encouraged facilities to complete applications and surveys applications with submission to TETAF as soon as possible.

Guest Speaker- Dave Zaiman from Biospatial: Presentation on how Biospatial can provide analytics on trauma data in our region. DSHS is not able to provide the analytical data from the trauma registry. There is no cost to submit data to Biospatial. The company provides aggregate analytic data to subscribers. Currently 20 states provide data with 14 states providing partial data. As individual entities, you can view your own data. The RAC could have regional data depending on the contract. Hospitals can submit trauma registry data and can match registry data with EMS data. No personal information is downloaded. Company can provide clinical and operational performance benchmarks against RAC, state and nation.

Moving forward, the RAC will need to poll the membership to determine who wants to participate, annual EMS run volume and the name of the EPCR. Hospitals will also be



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polled focusing on what data do should be submitted with the name of their registry vendor.

Provide this list to Dave Zaiman and will proceed from that point with individual facility/provider contracts.

Introduction of new EMTF6 Coordinator: Jon Clingaman was introduced as the EMTF 6 Coordinator.

General Assembly adjourned at 1300 for breakout to committee meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

**Diana Grimm-Mapp, RN, BSN, CEN, TCRN
Secretary, RAC-R**