

**DISASTER PREPAREDNESS
MINUTES**

MAY 14, 2009

150 N 18th Avenue, Conference Room 345-A

MEMBERS PRESENT

Joe Gibson, Chairman
Mark Venuti
Garth Gemar

MEMBERS-TELECONFERENCE

David McCarthy
Ray Klein
Bill Johnston
Michael Ward

ADHS STAFF PRESENT

Terry Mullins, Bureau Chief
Ed Armijo, Deputy Bureau Chief
Jennifer Herbert
Tina Wesoloskie
Elizabeth Roig
Angie Cauthon

MEMBERS-ABSENT

John Gallagher
Teresa Ehnert, Ex-Officio

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m. A quorum was present

II. DISCUSS/AMEND/APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 05, 2009

Mark Venuti made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Garth Gemar. The motion was approved.

III. REPORTS

a. Chairman's Report

Joe Gibson reported on the 2009 visit of President Obama to ASU Graduation. The planning and execution were exemplary, demonstrating significant inter-agency cooperation and planning efforts. Participating agencies have had a significant joint exercises involving multi-agency, County and State participation that have been successful in the past and look forward in continuing the successful path that we are headed in the future with EMS and other agency participants

i. Membership Updates

We are still in need of a Pre Hospital Coordinator and a Representative of ADEMA

b. Bureau Chief's Report

Terry Mullins, Bureau Chief apologized for not finishing his review of the Statewide EMS Pandemic Influenza Plan until a couple of days before the meeting. This resulted in little time for the members to review the document before today's meeting.

IV. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

a. Discuss the draft EMS Annex to the Statewide Pandemic Influenza Operational Plan (SEPIP) document.

Jennifer Herbert, Pandemic Influenza Planning Advisor and Tina Wesoloskie, Partnership Development Coordinator provided an overview of the existing documents. Following considerable discussion it was decided that each member would lead the analysis of their assigned section and submit any changes and recommendations to Jennifer Herbert by June 4, 2009. Terry Mullins indicated that he would review the annexes with Jennifer to identify which would be tabled for future action.

Joe Gibson notified members of the upcoming Maricopa County Health Care Disaster Preparedness Council on May 15, 2009 at 10 a.m., 2801 W. Durango.

b. Discuss the BEMSTS Communication Pathway

Bill Johnston discussed a concern, shared by Jim Bratcher, that the pathway for information dissemination proposed in the SEPIP could be enhanced by adding the regional EMS Councils to the information pipeline during a declared disaster. The group was in favor of the change and it will be revised in the SEPIP.

c. General discussion of 2009 H1N1 agency impacts

No new information was presented.

V. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There was no response from the Public

VI. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

- Maricopa County Health Care Disaster Preparedness Council Meeting May 15, 2009 at 10 a.m. 2801 W. Durango, Maricopa County Flood Control District
- EMS Odyssey May 28-29, 2009

VII. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING – NOVEMBER 12, 2009 3:00 P.M.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Joe Gibson made a motion to adjourn this meeting, seconded by Mark Venuti. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

Minutes created by: Angie Cauthon

Minutes approved by the Disaster Preparedness Committee 11/12/2009