

**BIG COUNTRY REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE MEETING
5/17/2023**

Roll Call: See Sign in Sheet for Attendance

A quorum was present. Meeting called to order by Russel Thomas at 1000

Minutes of April 19, 2023 meeting approved as posted on website on motion by Jason Gruben; second by David Allman, all in favor, none opposed.

Financial Review –

EMS RAC	\$ 15306.08
EMS County	\$ 18614.14
Tobacco	\$ 15371.89
SB8	\$ 572630.76
Dues Account	\$ 6364.37

GRANT REVIEW

EMS County – All eligible receipts have received funding. The deadline for submitting invoices and proof of payment was 3/31/2023. All EMS providers met and agreed that any funds that could not be distributed due to compliance issues would be pulled for Regional Projects. These Regional Projects include but are not limited to continuation of the programs already in place for Fall Prevention and Injury Prevention and education for EMS

EMS RAC – These funds are used for administrative purposes including ED hourly pay, office rent and expenses

RAC Development – Reimbursement of education and injury prevention expenses deadline was 3/31/2023. Payments in the amount of \$2100 have been mailed to all eligible members who took part in the reimbursement project.

Senate Bill 8 (EMSE) – Currently paid out \$336,531.68

**12 Basic EMT
18 AEMT
32 Paramedic**

Motion to approve the Financial and Grant Review by Jason Gruben; second by Tammy Hamilton all in favor, none opposed.

Bylaw Review – Updated and posted

Committee Review:

Stroke Committee – Updated and posted

STEMI – Currently being reviewed

PI Committee –

Hospital Committee –

Finance Committee –

Motion to approve the By-Law and Committee Review by Sarah Alvarez; second by Tammy Hamilton all in favor, none opposed.

Open Forum

EEF – Reminder that Emergency Equipment Funding is available for EMS

Reminder of Elections in July – no nominations as of meeting date

DSHS is pushing to have more involvement from the Neonatal committee – board would like to have a person representing that committee give a committee review during GA meetings since the RAC will be responsible for reporting compliance.

Meeting adjourned at 1018 on motion made by David Allman, second by Harold “Red” Gerhart; all in favor, none opposed.

Respectfully submitted,
Marlee Puckett, Executive Director

BCRAC Officers/Board Members

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Executive Council	Position	Affiliation	Cell phone	Emails	Signature
Russel Thomas	Chair - interim	Scurry Co EMS	325-636-3819	russelthomas@yahoo.com	present
Jason Gruben	Vice Chair - interim	Mitchell Co EMS	325-242-3202	gruben58@yahoo.com	present
Sarah Alvarez	Secretary/Hospital Rep	Hendrick South	325-338-1475	saalvarez@hendrickhealth.org	present
Marta Pagura	Treasurer	Air EVAC - Abilene	417-274-9016	marta.pagura@air-evac.com	present
Steven Hobbs	EMS Rep	AirMethods	325-338-0669	steven.hobbs@airmethods.com	Absent
Aaron Maxwell	EMS Rep	Abilene Fire	325-725-6819	aaron.maxwell@abilenetx.gov	present
Lexie Fiest	Hospital Rep	Brownwood Regional	325-330-0839	lfiest@comanchecmc.com	present
Tammy Hamilton	Hospital Rep	Fisher County Hos	325-518-6436	thamilton@fishercountyhospital.com	present
Sheila Kuelher	Hospital Rep	Knox County Hospital	940-256-1488	sheila.kuelher@knoxhospital.org	present
Harold "Red" Gerhart	Hospital Rep	Rolling Plains Hos	325-227-2294	haroldg@rpmh.net	present
Lee Williamson	Hospital Rep	Stephens Mem Hos	940-473-9105	cwilliamson@smhtx.com	present
Jarrold Green	EMS Rep	MetroCare	325-244-4901	jarrod.greene@gmr.net	present
David Allman	EMS Rep/Web Design	Taylor EMS	325-733-7098	david.allman@southtaylorems.org	present
Jonathan Galinak	First Responder Rep	Eula VFD	325-668-0119	evfdchief651@gmail.com	Absent
Kayla Cehand	Hospital Rep	Hendrick North	254-541-9724	kcehand@hendrickhealth.org	present
Marlee Puckett	Executive Director		325-660-6081	marlee_puckett@yahoo.com	present
Gary Griffith	EMS Program Specialist	DSHS			Present