

**BIG COUNTRY REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES
6/17/2026**

Roll Call: See Sign in Sheet for Attendance

A quorum was present. Meeting called to order by Russel Thomas at 10:00am

Minutes of May 20, 2026 meeting approved as posted on website on motion by Jonathan Galinak second by Jason Gruben, all in favor, none opposed.

Financial Review –

EMS RAC	\$ 29,537.85
EMS County	\$ 30,733.14
Tobacco	\$ 39,166.18
Whole Blood	\$ 133,537.25
Dues Account	\$ 10,176.64

Grant Review

EMS County – Deadline for submitting receipts and proof of purchase was 3/31/2026.
All disbursement have been made but some are still pending

EMS RAC – All requests have been received and are being actively worked. Reminder emails are being sent to members that have not completed the purchases or need to submit invoices and proof of payment

RAC Development – Reminder of Science of Trauma Education to be held in place of the July meeting. Survey has been sent out via email for registration in order to provide CE's
Currently only 10 members have signed up for the course
Does each facility have to send someone to qualify for attendance?

Motion made to NOT require attendance for the July meeting was made by Marta Pagura; second by Lexie Feist; all in favor, none opposed.

** Will we have an Executive Meeting on July 15?

Motion made to NOT have an Executive meeting on July 15, 2026 was made by Marta Pagura; second by Tammy Hamilton; all in favor, none opposed.

Reminder that education invoices and proof of payment up to \$500 can be submitted for reimbursement per member. These can be paid to an individual if the individual paid for the education themselves.

Stroke Committee has approved an online self-paced course "57ACLS" Advanced Stroke Life Support at \$157.00 per person. It is designed to educate healthcare professionals to effectively manage stroke patients across various clinical settings. The RAC will receive invoices from Hendrick as members sign up for the course and those invoices will be paid directly to Hendrick

Hospital Data Management course has been funded and completed

Cadaver lab dates completed 4/21/2026 & 5/19/2026
6/23/2026 is full added 7/28 and 8/25 (this was changed to 8/20 and all registered parties will be contacted to confirm they can attend the new date of 8/20)
48 people have signed up so far and still room in the July and August labs

Trauma Care After Resuscitation training was approved

Reminder: The BCRAC has the following items available to members: Rescue Me tags, thermometers, file of life magnets, STEMI/Stroke magnets, fire extinguishers, CO monitors, night lights, grabbers, non-slip socks, child ID kits, De Chokers, bike helmets and car assist devices

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

Bylaw Review – By-law Review committee has completed it's review and the draft version of the changes has been sent to the membership to review. This will be voted on during the October meeting since the General Assembly will not meet in July

Committee Review

STEMI – STEMI plan is currently being updated. Hendrick is currently being surveyed for Primary Heart Attack at North and Acute Heart Attack at S Survey.

Hendrick has received their renewal for Lifenet and is reviewing if they should renew based on many services now using Pulsara. Jimmy Bryant with MetroCare suggested both LifeNet and Pulsara are being utilized. Martee Tebow will continue to review with Hendrick and take back Jimmy's concerns.

Stroke –

Performance Improvement - Reminder that if a PI report is incomplete, the completed report should be re-submitted and the RAC office should be notified that it has been sent

Hospital –

Budget/Finance – Monthly reconciliation reports are reviewed by the treasurer

Education and Injury Prevention –

Whole Blood – Account has been opened at First Bank Texas. Ready to start making purchases

Pediatric – Discussed the need for PECC training with Sally Snow and Spencer Jackson (Hendrick). The RAC will work with Sally and get this scheduled and then notify all RAC members. Lexie Fiest indicated this training is important as the Trauma Designations are now tied to Pediatric Readiness.

Hendrick Hospital has provided the NICU evacuation plan was completed in February 2026 – after the water line break that resulted in the NICU being evacuated. The “After Action Report” has been reviewed by the RAC and all expectations have been met. This report will be kept by the RAC and can be made available if requested.

- **Open Forum** Reminder of Survey on the home page and under Injury Prevention called Injury/Prevention Program Reporting. This should be used to report and track any IP and Education Events. Added a direct link under the Injury Prevention Tab showing what events have occurred.
- Elections committee did not receive any nominations for open positions so there will not be elections during the July meeting. The members below will remain on the Executive Committee through 2028
- Russel Thomas, Scurry County.....RAC Chair
- Marta Pagura, Air Evac Abilene.....RAC Treasurer
- Aaron Maxwell, Abilene Fire Dept.....EMS Representative
- Lexie Feist, Comanche Co Medical Center....Hospital Representative
- Sheila Kuhler, Knox County Hospital.....Hospital Representative
- David Allman, Taylor County EMS.....EMS Representative
- Kinsi Voss, Throckmorton Co Hospital.....Hospital Representative
- Jonathan Galinak, Eula VFD.....First Responder

Meeting adjourned at 10:29 am on motion made by Marta Pagura, second by Tammy Hamilton; all in favor, none opposed.

Respectfully submitted,
 Marlee Puckett, Executive Director

June 17, 2026

BCRAC Executive Committee

2025 - 2026

Executive Council	Position	Term	Affiliation	Attendance
Russel Thomas	Chair - interim	August, 2026	Scurry Co EMS	present
Jason Gruben	Vice Chair - interim	August, 2027	Mitchell Co EMS	present
Tammy Hamilton	Secretary/Hospital Rep	August, 2027	Fisher County Hos	present
Marta Pagura	Treasurer	August, 2026	Air EVAC - Abilene	present
Kelby Hodges	EMS Rep	August, 2027	Throckmorton EMS	present
Aaron Maxwell	EMS Rep	August, 2026	Abilene Fire	present
Lexie Fiest	Hospital Rep	August, 2026	Comanche Medical	present
Martee Tebow	Hospital Rep	August, 2027	Hendrick South	present
Sheila Kuelher	Hospital Rep	August, 2026	Knox County Hospital	present
Kinis Voss	Hospital Rep	August, 2026	Throckmorton Hospital	present
Deni Davis	Hospital Rep	August, 2027	Rolling Plains Mem Hos	present
Jimmy Bryant	EMS Rep	August, 2027	MetroCare	present
David Allman	EMS Rep	August, 2026	Taylor EMS	present
Jonathan Galinak	First Responder Rep	August, 2027	Eula VFD	present
Stephanie Cantu	Hospital Rep	August, 2027	Hendrick North	present
Marlee Puckett	Executive Director			present
Gary Griffith	EMS Program Specialist		DSHS	present