

**BIG COUNTRY REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES
8/19/2026**

Roll Call: See Sign in Sheet for Attendance

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

Minutes of June 17, 2026 meeting approved as posted on website on motion by David Allman second by Jonathan Galinak, all in favor, none opposed.

Financial Review –

EMS RAC	\$ 787.95
EMS County	\$ 0.00
Tobacco	\$ 579.97
Whole Blood	\$ 133,537.25
Dues Account	\$ 9,164.17

Fiscal year ends 8/31/2026. There is enough money is left in the accounts to pay the monthly expenses until the next installment from DSHS

Grant Review

EMS County - All disbursement have been made. Account balance is zero and end of year reports are being prepared.

EMS RAC – All equipment reimbursement/purchases have been completed and final reports are being prepared for DSHS.

RAC Development – Science of Trauma Education was held in place of the July meeting. Very well received and all that attended appreciated the content and found it to be very helpful.

There was a situation in one of our counties that needed peer-support recently. Recommendation to continue to pursue opportunities for our region to develop a CISM support group. Executive Committee recognized Kellie Batangan, Jonathan Galinak, Russel Thomas, Deni Davis, Jimmy Bryant and Ann (with Scurry Co) have completed the training and are recommended to be on the CISM/Peer Support Group for RACD. Abilene Police Department may already have a CISM group. This will be put on the agenda for October 2026.

Final Cadaver lab of this FY is 8/20 with 15 attendees.
RACD sent 54 members to the Cadaver lab this past year.
Recommendation to continue providing this training next year as we had multiple people show interest, but the classes were full.

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,

Motion to approve the Financial and Grant Review by Marta Pagura; second by David Allman; all in favor, none opposed.

Bylaw Review – By-law Review committee has completed it's review and the draft version of the changes was sent to the membership to review. No responses from the membership. We will vote on this in October.

Committee Review

STEMI – STEMI plan has been sent to the membership for review – will vote on this in Oct
Stroke –

Performance Improvement –

Hospital –

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

Education and Injury Prevention –

Whole Blood – Initial purchases have been made. Several items have been received.

Pediatric – Rac-D will be hosting the Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinators (PEEC) 10/26 at Hendrick in Aux B with Sally Snow. I've also spoken to Hely Long and Eleanor Barrie at Hendrick and they will start attending RAC meetings to provide a report for Pediatric

Open Forum

- Reminder of Survey on the home page and also 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.
- Starting to get Dues and required docs. All are available on website
- Martee Tebow indicated Hendrick is nearing a decision on continuing with Lifenet and Pulsara . Lifenet contract ends 12/31/2026. As decisions are made, Martee will inform the RAC so that this information can be shared with the RAC membership.
- Next years meetings will be held at the Shelton Building, Hendrick Hospital

Meeting adjourned at 10:32 am on motion made by Jimmy Bryant, second by Aaron Maxwell; all in favor, none opposed.

Respectfully submitted,
Marlee Puckett, Executive Director

BCRAC Executive Committee

8/19/2026

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