

South Central Regional Trauma Advisory Council
RTAC Meeting Minutes
April 26, 2005
4:00 pm

PRESENT: Tim McKeveitt, Lynne Sears, Tim Bjelland, Joe Ketarkus, Laura Ahola, Franz Keilhauer, Lori Barto, Barb Krohn, Sue Heller, Lisa Hall, Deb Bongard, Woody Cole, Tim Houslet, Neal Zinda, Mike Abernathy, Darrin Bean, and Delight Hensler

1. Previous meeting minutes were reviewed and accepted.
2. Update from STAC and HRSA objective overview—new and old. The Administrative Rules were approved. The Hospitals must state their designation by March 14, 2005. There was a demonstration on a software program that would be web-based for data collection. The HIRSA money has been distributed to the RTACs. Each RTAC needs to mail out their Triage and Transport guidelines to the Medical Directors for signature and must receive 90% of them back in order to spend the HRSA money. An educational subcommittee (WEAP) is being organized through STAC in order to help train EMS providers in regards to bioterrorism issues.
3. Advertising Campaign Update. Tim Lemmons from UWHC Public Affairs has been working with Lynne Sears on some advertising campaigns. He was unable to attend the meeting but would forward the commercial to Lynne which she will then forward to the Executive Council via email.
4. Executive Council. There was a discussion regarding the Executive Council in its current state. In the By-laws it stated that the Council would be made up of Hospital Administrator (1); Medical Directors/ED Physicians (2); Trauma Surgeon (1); Seat at Large (1); Trauma Coordinator (1); Pediatric Specialist (1); PreHospital Provider (Rural) (1); PreHospital Provider (Urban) (1); Nurses (1). The current Council members were reviewed and the attendance of missing members was discussed. It was decided to change the By-laws to have (2) PreHospital Provider (Rural) and (2) PreHospital Provider (Urban). Lynne Sears will draft a memo asking PreHospital Providers to apply for the Executive Council. This memo will be distributed via the List Server and interested parties will be voted on at the March General Session meeting.
5. New Business. Lynne Sears made the suggestion for one of the future general session meetings to possibly invite a Grief Counselor and some EMS Providers and Community Members from Belleville to attract a higher attendance by discussing an actual situation that happened. The Council thought this was a good idea.

The next meeting will be held on February 22, 2005. at the EMS Building. The meeting was adjourned at 535 pm. Respectfully Submitted, Delight Hensler, Admin. Asst