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**EMS Subcommittee on Trauma**

**Monday May 6, 2019**

**Madison Public Safety Complex**

**1380 Monticello Hwy**

**Madison, Georgia**

<b>SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<b>SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT</b>
Courtney Terwilliger, Chairman, GTC Vic Drawdy, GTC Regina Medeiros –GTC Carlton Firestone – Region One ( <i>Conference Line</i> ) Chad Black – Region Two Pete Quinones - Region Three ( <i>Conference Line</i> ) Sam Polk- Region Four Lee Oliver – Region Five Blake Thompson – Region Six Jimmy Carver-Region Seven Huey Atkins – Region Ten	David Edwards- Region Eight David Moore- Region Nine

OTHERS	REPRESENTING
Dena Abston Katie Hamilton Billy Kunkle Tim Boone David Newton Scott Lewis Mark Peters Kim Littleton Cathy White Keith White Christopher E James Jody Smitherman Anthony Grimaldi Trisha Newsome Rafe Waters	Georgia Trauma Commission, Staff Georgia Trauma Commission, Staff Georgia Trauma Commission, Staff AVLS OEMS/T Region I RTAC Region III RTAC GEMSA GEMSA GEMSPF Augusta Fire/ EMA Augusta Fire/EMA Clayton County Fire Augusta University GEMSPF

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Terwilliger called the 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2019 meeting of the EMS Subcommittee on Trauma to order and established quorum with 11 of 13 members present or by conference line at the Madison Public Safety Complex in Monticello, Georgia at 11:03 A.M.

**MOTION EMS Subcommittee 2019-05-01:**

**I make the motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting held January 30, 2019.**

**MOTION BY:** Pete Quinones

**SECOND BY:** Lee Oliver

**VOTING:** All members present voted in favor of the motion.

**ACTION:** The motion PASSED with no objections, nor abstentions.

**AVLS Report**

**By: Tim Boone**

Mr. Boone’s AVLS report is attached to the end of the minutes (**Attachment A**). In August 2019 Mr. Boone wants to develop a long term plan and a budget and develop a bi-monthly communication to all agencies. Mr. Boone will help all agencies get online. Mr. Terwilliger has RFD devices now that help monitor the temp of his medicine cabinet. There was discussion on counties that do not participate in AVL and how to get those counties that are not participating to participate. Mr. Boone says small # left not using AVLS. MR. Boone reported lots coming on board which leaves few not participating. Discussion of replacement units and costs. MP70’s do not have Bluetooth- Mr. Atkins suggests notify those that use those- Mr. Boone working on those. How we are installing is MG90s in ambulance MP70s in firetrucks of Fayette County. Mr. Boone says help is needed with Columbus. Smaller counties are those that need help. Mr. Atkins suggested paying someone to help set these agencies up. Mr. Terwilliger has no problem

with this, used to do this with installations and Mr. Boone says someone to do this could be helpful.

## **Review of Current Projects**

**By: Courtney Terwilliger**

### **GEMSA**

Ms. Littleton gave GEMSA report. On track for all classes scheduled with extensions in 2017 and 2018 budgets to allow time to complete courses. TECC and EVOC are in process with another EVOC scheduled, moving forward and planning with North American Rescue utilizing supplemental funds- (scholarship's given) week long program, in concert with work prior. Still having issue with some counties on first responder grants- next round of courses trying to do something different. Even though a contract is signed, and an instructor agreement is established, there are till last minute problems- we want to be proactive on deadlines being met and want to function in the current fiscal year without carry over from other years- all positive feedback from courses. Ms. Littleton sends survey monkey out and has positive feedback at this time. There is an upcoming course in Newnan, advertised through GEMSA website and NAEMT- Ms. Littleton reported on leadership course and the completion of module 1 and invoiced to GTC-There are 26 students in course with next module is in Gainesville. This deals with operational exposure, systems of care, adding to curriculum to keep it fresh.

### **Regional Improvement Grants**

Region 1- 501C3 working on invoicing for 2017 grant, completed 2016 with residual, will do same courses they currently do, some residual for 2017. Hostin DART classes and some nurse courses (TNCC) and a trauma symposium.

Region 2- Mr. Black reported they have funding for next symposium and discussed the trauma app (pilot program) and its need to be beta tested statewide. Mr. Black will reach out, to a core group and will work with Billy and RTAC coordinator.

Region 3- Mr. Peters reported the FY2017 finished RTTDC- at Wellstar. In Douglas, another child safety seat in August. For FY2018 the TECC class just complete at Atlanta Fire and a course at Cobb Fire scheduled for July. We also have Clayton for October. We also installed 25 bleeding control stations in Suntrust park.

Region 4- Reported by Mr. Polk that they are finishing 3 TECC courses. RTAC meeting 6/12 to finalize class details.

Region 5- Mr. Oliver reported their funds were used for mass bleeding trailers (2). They are small trailers but have lots of kits and room to spare. Trailers have been deployed several times- Mr. Terwilliger would like to see a trailer at a future meeting.

Region 6- Mr. Terwilliger finalized plan and TECC classes and symposium hopefully in fall. May want to think about the need for regional trauma symposiums. Wonder if we should minimize. Mr. Kunkle posed the question as to how many medics, and could we garner a larger participation. He is looking for one in Region 7 to go along with a trauma skills lab- could be scaled back symposium. Mr. Terwilliger suggests confirming the speakers are quality information and the right presentation- MR. Kunkle suggests we develop an approved speaker list and know their content and offer fairly consistent sitewide presentations.

Region 7 – No grant but may receive one this next FY-Russ Mcgee new director and new coordinator at medical center is very participative. – Discussion of getting the right kind of coordinator into this area.

Region 8 – Farm Extrication courses, 2<sup>nd</sup> portion of their funds to begin a DART program.

Region 9- Mr. Drawdy reported on the completed DART bag/equip purchases. New appointee DART chair.

Region 10- TECC classes scheduled, course soon- used some funding to purchase similar to region 6- farm medic course, lots of interest from this region in a course like that.

### **Trauma Skills Lab**

**By: Dena Abston**

Ms. Abston reported we held 3 successful labs in the last FY. We used \$110K and \$10K for reusable equipment. We have \$ 30K to complete Newnan lab on May 30. Region 7 will use start up grants for Trauma Symposium and Lab on 8/9 at Columbus Midtown. Ms. Abston is working with TPM on that. Tentative region 2 on 11/2- trauma skills lab- at Lanier will need funds for. Only labs to date scheduled – Regions 10 and 11 are only regions who have not had a lab or have a lab scheduled at this time. Mr. Atkins suggests scheduling a lab with the medical school.

### **Discussion of AFY19 Budget and FY20**

**By: Courtney Terwilliger**

Mr. Terwilliger presented AFY19 budget spreadsheet. He suggests funding AVLS under AFY19. There still will be funds in FY20 for AVLS airtime and a proposed 8 trauma skills labs with each lab serving about

145 students. Mr. Terwilliger is interested in online EMT training course and has been researching and talking to 2 facilitators of such programs. Allied Medical Training- and University of Texas SWTRN are the facilitators. Course is online (didactic portion of program) and contract with ambulance service to sponsor course. MR. Terwilliger would like to see agencies agree to provide a level 2 instructor- they facilitate the clinical hours on that ambulance and facilitate the testing side. Today's budget presented is for 20 students. Mr. Terwilliger's concept was shared with the group with lots of questions about how to execute properly. Both courses require practical skills testing of about 55 hours. Mr. Terwilliger would leave it up to the individual agencies as to how they' facilitate the 55 required hours. Mr. Terwilliger is basing this on Allied Medical discussion. Part of medical school training at University of Texas is the EMT course, it is a requirement for all in medical school says Mr. Terwilliger. Ms. Littleton is looking into costs of equipment. Mr. Terwilliger suggests we need gear for rural area practical skills. Mr. Thompson inquired about thinking we had a trailer full of equipment. MS. Littleton says we do have trailers but not full of trauma gear. Mr. Newton discussed software update cost on UTSW and asked if we would pay for background checks for the students clinicals. Mr. Terwilliger said good point and would need to further think on this. Mr. Terwilliger says they are doing what is required right at the moment, Mr. Newton says some ambulances do require that- Mr. Oliver suggested upfront screening for EMT students – Mr. Boone suggested it be required all students get their own background check. Mr. Terwilliger says we need to look into this and how many times it is required. We need to figure costs add to budget- prescreen discussion- Ms. Oliver asks target audience. MR. Terwilliger says we need to find out how many ambulances services would sponsor these classes- if you're in rural GA and want to become EMT, sign up online- go to approved site 20- 50 miles away to do practical skills- those small # agencies would be able to train more- Initially wants this more formal- as we want to collect data from the start. Mr. Oliver asks if target to get EMT's on ambulances. Yes, we want trained EMT-B with intent to be an EMT A in 12 months. Allied Medical has 97% completion rate- MR. Atkins does not think background checks should be funded by us- that should be on student. Swainsboro held class- 20 started 15 passed 8 taken boards all 8 passed, a couple of the other have not taken or cannot afford. Discussion on agency and or service sponsors or guarantee a job at completion- skin in game- much discussion about Pilot project. Further discussion on this to come.

*Lunch Break (25 minutes)*

### **Advanced Leadership Course Presentation**

**By: Cathy White**

Ms. White gave presentation on new Advanced Leadership class (attachment B). After presentation Mr. Terwilliger discussed talking to Dr. Ashley on what to ask the Attorney General's office in regard to utilizing SEED dollars to support education of the EMT's. Mr. Terwilliger put the FY20 budget on the screen for all to review. The group discussed the leadership course cost increase from \$113,500 to \$117,000.00. Mr. Terwilliger would like to meet in June one more time to finalize FY20 EMS budget so he can present at the August Commission meeting.

**New Business**

**By: Courtney Terwilliger**

There was no new business at this time.

**MOTION EMS Subcommittee 2019-05-03:**

**I make the motion to adjourn the meeting.**

**MOTION BY:** Jimmy Carver

**SECOND BY:** Vic Drawdy

**VOTING:** All members present voted in favor of the motion.

**ACTION:** The motion PASSED with no objections, nor abstentions.

*Meeting adjourned at 1:40*

*Minutes crafted by Erin Bolinger*