

Northwest Kansas Regional Homeland Security Meeting
December 08, 2008 Sheridan County EMS Building, Hoxie

Keith Haberer, Region Chair, called the December 08, 2008 meeting of the Northwest Kansas Regional Homeland Security Council to order at 10:00 a.m. Participants were asked to introduce themselves.

Members and Guests Present:

Toby Prine, NWKS Regional Coordinator for KS EM
Bob McLemore, Colby Fire Dept./Fire Service
Ray Smee, Goodland PD
Lorraine Baughman, Rooks Co. Public Health
Tami Wood, Northwest Kansas Hospitals
Kerry McCue, Fiscal Agent / Ellis Co.
George "Pappy" Lies, Gove Co.
Cindy Mullen, Logan Co.
Chris Brown, Phillips Co.
Jim Fisher, Rush Co.
Mike Albers, Thomas Co.
Corina Cox, NWKPDC / Fiscal Agent
Capt. John Eichkorn, KHP, HS Operations
Lt. Amy Ayers, KHP, HS Grants Coordinator
Michelle Wishon, CPHP Oper & Plan RS/KDHE
Gail Ogle, Russell Co. GIS Coordinator

Keith Haberer, Russell Co.
Deb Kaufman, Region I EMS
Doug Janssen, Russell FD
Gary Winter, Region I EMS
Gary Rogers, CH/RA/SH Co. EMS
Al Pietrycha, National Weather Service
Steve Hirsch, Decatur Co.
Mickie Helberg, Graham Co.
Dave Snyder, Ness Co.
Jim Schroeder, Rawlins Co.
Crissy Conger, Sherman Co.
Kathleen Fabrizius, Trego Co.
CPT Kelly McGuire, KHP
Steve Sutton, Kansas Board of EMS
Connie Satzler, EnVisage
Susan McMahan, Thomas Co EM

Jim Fisher moved for approval of the November 10, 2008 minutes. Mike Albers provided motion second. Motion carried.

Keith Haberer turned the meeting over to Captain John Eichkorn and Connie Satzler for the FY09 grant planning meeting. Captain Eichkorn provided grant planning meeting welcome. Connie Satzler provided background information and led an initial discussion regarding target capabilities. The Regional capabilities, strengths and weaknesses, and funding priorities were identified. They provided an overview of the FY09 grant application preparation and timeline for meeting application requirements.

The Council divided into sub-groups to identify potential projects to meet project sustainability needs, projects for enhancement of current projects, and needed new projects. Assignments were given for the working lunch. Following lunch, projects were prioritized. Group leaders were assigned for identified projects. Groups completed project worksheets and provided project summaries. With knowledge that projects identified were completed to allow for regional flexibility to modify emphasis after the award, identified 2009 projects were Communications, GIS, CrossMatch enhancements, IMT enhancements, Food Safety, Agroterrorism Planning, EOP Enhancements incorporating community preparation and other priorities, and Medical Surge and Pre-Hospital Treatment. Members were urged to utilize the website for updates.

The Council will next meet at 10:00 on January 12, 2008.

Cindy Mullen moved the Council adjourn. Tami Wood provided motion second. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Kaufman, Secretary
(These minutes are not yet Council approved.)