

# MINUTES GENERAL ASSEMBLY MARCH 11, 2025

**Attendees:** Please see sign-in sheets kept by the RAC via Microsoft Forms

Call to Order: 0902

**Introductions:** RAC members introduced themselves

**Committee Meeting Break Out: 0915** 

General Assembly: Resumed at 1100

**Minutes:** Motion to approve the minutes by Desirae NEED LAST NAME and seconded by Daniel NEED LAST NAME. No further discussion and motion passed.

## Financials:

- The Financial reports were given by Diana Grimm-Mapp.
- Budget vs actual for FY Q1 and Q2 were presented.
- Total revenue \$481,000 dollars and with membership dues we are up to \$502,000.
- Total expenses for grants \$82,000 most of that is spent on education.
- County grant nothing has been spent (was discussed in the EMS committee meeting).
- El grant nothing has been spent (last year was hospitals, this year EMS)
- RAC rollover money we sent back to the state 17,000 for FY23 in administrative money.
- 2024 rollover is being spent right now on administration fees.
- SB8 anyone that has participants that did not complete the course or failed will need to pay back the money. Individual EMS agencies will need to reach out to those students to obtain payment and if they are unsuccessful, contact the RAC and a certified letter will be sent out by the RAC requesting payment. If that is unsuccessful, we will send off that information to DSHS.

Motion to approve the financials made by Daniel NEED LAST NAME and seconded by Dustin Lowe. No further discussion and motion carried.

## **Executive Report:**

- Prehospital Whole Blood Program:
  - A task force is being put together on how to increase whole blood usage throughout the state in the prehospital setting.



- EMS is going to start reaching out to their local hospital partners to discuss exchange programs.
- There is some funding for the EMS agencies coming with the project. They asked for 4 million dollars in funding across the state of Texas.

## Pediatric Readiness

- There was a very big push for pediatric readiness which will affect EMS providers as well.
- There is free pediatric education that provides CEs and the QR code to sign up for that was provided.
- There is also information on how to get started for pediatric readiness for both hospitals and EMS. There will be a train the trainer class for PECCs. A flyer was handed out and QR code to register was presented.
- Kudos was given to HCA mainland for participating in the NPRQI data collection efforts and encouragement was given to other hospitals to start participating.
- Only 10% of RAC-R is participating in the NPRQI data collection efforts.
- Emphasis was placed on hospitals holding their own pediatric simulations evaluating ED performance in caring for a variety of pediatric patients.
- Please nominate an EMS agency/crew if they did a phenomenal job caring for a pediatric patient that was brought to your facility for the Pediatric EMS for Children Crew of the Year. A QR code was presented to submit nominations

## Legislative Session:

- Several Bills that are being watched by TETAF that impact hospitals were presented by Kathy Rodgers
- Lucille Maes presented several bills impacting EMS

## State Data

- EMS data from 2023 was presented including all runs, 911 responses, trauma runs, stroke runs, and cardiac runs.
- Trauma data from 2023 was presented including all registry submissions, fatalities, MOI, patients in shock, and double transfers.
  - The trauma committee reviewed this data in their break-out and it was noted that the data is flawed. More discussion regarding this in trauma committee will be had.

## Stop the Bleed

 Reminder was sent out that the QR codes need to be filled out anytime a STB class is put on so the RAC can track who needs more equipment.

## Educational Courses



 It was asked that if your facility/agency is hosting any sort of educational class that is open to the public to please send that to the RAC and we will send it out to the region as well as get it posted on the calendar.

#### Arm Bands

 Hospitals will need to acquire arm bands in the event of a disaster where they would need to evacuate their hospital. TDEM will no longer carry bands specifically for hospitals to use. More information to come.

## • Committee Reminders

 Each Committee needs its own SOP. These need to be created and presented to the committee in June for approval and then submitted to the RAC. Minutes from committee meetings needs to be submitted to the RAC to post on the website.

# Website Updates

- Please go onto the RAC-R website and look at your agency/facilities logo and ensure it is correct or please send an updated logo to the RAC.
- Upcoming educational opportunities were presented
  - Chaos control on March 18<sup>th</sup>
  - PECC train-the-trainer course see flyer
  - Active Shooter Exercise Development Workshop
  - Cyber Security Workshop
  - All events will be on the RAC website

## Committee Updates

- EMS: Given prior with the discussion of the introduced bills that would affect EMS.
- Trauma/Hospital: Data was discussed for Q4 and Calendar Year 2024. Additional data will be collected in 2025 focusing on pediatric metrics and diving more into our transfer data. We will be engaging our EMS committee members to help when transfer times are prolonged due to EMS delays. The 2023 trauma data from the state has flaws and we will be diving deeper into that data. For RAC-R in 2023 70% of our transfers are over 2 hours. Also we discussed survey updates and it was noted that 66% of surveys at this time are contingent.
- Acute Care/Stroke: Working on updating the Stroke Plan and it will be ready for approval in June. Sepsis and Maternal Sepsis were discussed as well.
- Perinatal: They have a new PI project working and they have a new chair Kim Stewart and new co-chair Amy Shapley.
- Stryker provided lunch and gave a quick presentation on their products.

