# Metropolitan Emergency Services Board

**Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee**

**Draft Meeting Minutes**

**September 5, 2023**

**Committee Members:**

Allina –Kyle Strege  
Anoka County – **Absent**

Burnsville Fire – Neil Dwyer  
CentraCare - **Absent**  
Cottage Grove EMS – John Prichard

Edina - Ryan Quinn

EMSRB Rep **- None**

HealthPartners – Tyler Ostman  
Hennepin County PH – **Absent**   
Hennepin EMS -Tyler Lupkes  
Lakes Region EMS - **Absent**  
Lakeview EMS – **Absent**

Minneapolis Fire - **Absent**  
M Health Fairview – Nick Lesch  
MRCC EAST – Alisha VarsMRCC WEST - **Absent**North Memorial Ambulance – Scott Oberlander

Northfield EMS – Joe Johnson  
Ridgeview EMS - **Absent**   
St. Paul Fire – **Absent**  
University of Minnesota - Robert Ball  
White Bear Lake - **Absent**  
Healthcare Coalition – **Absent**

**Others Attending:**

Greg Hayes, MESB; Jacob Kallenbach, MESB; Chad Macheel, 55th CST Representatives

# Call to Order- 09:00 a.m.

1. **Roll call- NO QUORUM**

# Approval of Agenda- NO QUORUM

# Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes- NO QUORUM

# Action Items- NONE

# Presentation

1. 55 CST presentation on the team. The team has expertise and capabilities in determining, detecting, and responding to chemical related incidents. They are federal responders who can engage and deploy in a quick manner. The 55th CST has various equipment caches related to first responders, chemical detection devices, and a fully operable ambulance/equipment vehicle that can be used in instances of chemical disturbances. The 55th CST also aims to coordinate with metro EMS to further plan, practice, and engage in topics surrounding possible incidents.

# Discussion Items

1. **EMS System Plans for escalating incidents- Lupkes**

Discussion surrounding the EMS system in relation to the incident at Stillwater prison. Overall reports suggested the system was capable and well-working. Some comments related to user login information arose, which is more of an admin issue than it is a testament to the system.

1. **MESB Progress Reports – Hayes** 
   1. **Grants**- Grants are all approved for the next 2 years. We still have some funding for FY23 out of the EMS Support Grant extension until 12/31/23. Looking at equipment and training to utilize those funds. Any leftover will go into the MESB System funding account, so we don’t leave any funding in the grant.
   2. **Review of Ambulance Strike Team Class**- Great class with Allina and M Health staff. Tyler and Greg will be updating the course and will look to offer another class.
   3. **Website updates**- [www.emsmn.org-](http://www.emsmn.org-) Review of the updates on the website.
2. **Workgroup Updates- Lupkes**
   1. **Incident Response Plan**- Group has met a few times and there are changes for agencies. The layout will change somewhat. The new plan will blend the original purpose with new ways of doing things. The EP Group will get a chance to review.
   2. **Ambulance Strike Team**- Similar to the IRP, the workgroup is cleaning up the document. The EP Committee will get a chance to review.
3. **MN EMS Triage Guidelines**- Approved by STAC & EMSRB- Overview of the new guidelines. Tyler and Greg will work with the Medical Directors to clarify a few key points.
4. **EMS Services & MRCC Updates**

Nothing to report.

1. **Special events within the Region- Lupkes/ Hayes**:

-North- No events. Some new trucks.

-Northfield- Jesse James days this weekend.

-Allina- Waiting on new trucks. Special event season is almost over with Renaissance and Anoka Halloween. Working with M Health on transporting highly infectious patients.

-U of M- Football and sports season has begun. A few sold out games. Homecoming is Sept 30th. Some street impacts that weekend.

-East MRCC- Close to moving to Zip It. Start with Regions and will expand from there. Woking with West MRCC on process. Moving to Bloomington next year.

-Burnsville- Burnsville festival this weekend.

-Edina- Fall into the arts festival.

-M-Health- MIR bus going to a training in Eden Prairie. Vikings Training camp is over. Next year, they will utilize the MIR Bus to help at the Camp. Soccer game and some mutual aid support.

-Health Partners- Interest in how the Metro keeps wall times to a minimum. Also asked to speak on violence against EMS and how the Metro manages it.

-Hennepin- Number of events with Football. Exercises in Eden Prairie doing an active shooter EX at Hennepin Tech college.

1. **Other Business- NONE**
2. **Meeting Adjourned- 10:57 a.m. Next Meeting Scheduled for November 7, 2023, 9:00 a.m.**