# Metro Region EMS System

# EMS Technical Operations Committee

# June 18, 2024

**Members:**

## Allina Health EMS – Kevin Miller

## Anoka County – Sarah Larson

Burnsville **- absent**

Carver County **- absent**

## CentraCare - absent Chisago County - absent

## Cottage Grove EMS – Jon Pritchard

Dakota County – Tom Olmsted  
Edina Fire – **absent**

Elk River Ambulance **- absent**

Gold Cross, St. Cloud **- absent**

Hastings Fire – Chris Paulson

HealthPartners Transportation **-** Brian Fisher, Chair

Hennepin County – Kristin Mellstrom

Hennepin EMS – Tyler Lupkes

## Isanti County - absent

Lakes Region EMS – Ryan Quinn

Lakeview EMS – Jon Muller Lower St. Croix **–** Jim Stanley

M Health Fairview – Nick Lesch

Mahtomedi Fire **- absent**

Maplewood Fire – Ryan Schroeder

## Mdewakanton Fire & EMS – Mark Weiberg

Medical Director, East – Dr. Aaron Burnett

Medical Director, West **- absent**

Minneapolis Fire **- absent**

MRCC East – Alisha Vars

MRCC West – Dan Klawitter

Northfield EMS – **absent**

North Memorial Ambulance – Scott Oberlander & Eric Heuer

Oakdale Fire **–** Joe Carpentier

Ramsey County **- absent**

Ridgeview EMS – Joe Dibenedetto

St. Paul Fire – **absent**

Scott County **- absent**

## Sherburne County – Adam Boler

South Metro Fire – **absent**

## University of MN EMS – Robert Ball & Adam Arnett

## Washington County - absent

## White Bear Lake Fire – Joel Schmidt

## Woodbury Public Safety absent

## MESB Staff: Greg Hayes; Jacob Kallenbach; and Jill Rohret.

## Guests: Marvin Bachmeier, *Code4Group,* Charles Soucheray, *EMSRB.*

**1. Call to Order – Chair, Brian Fisher**

EMS TOC Chair, Brian Fisher, called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

Greg Hayes says that item ‘4A: Dr. Tim Kummer – Suboxone’ will be stricken from the agenda and will be rescheduled to a future date.

*Motion made by Jon Pritchard, seconded by Robert Ball to approve the June 2024 EMS TOC agenda with the mentioned change. Motion carried.*

**3. Approval of Minutes**

*Motion made by Joel Schmidt, seconded by Mark Weiberg to approve the December 2023 EMS TOC meeting minutes. Motion carried.*

**4. Presentation – None**

**5. Action Items – None**

**6. Discussion Items**

**A. EMS Closest Unit Situational Awareness Platform**

Dan Klawitter thanks everyone for their help and support in incident response during the shooting. He asks to create a workgroup to explore incident response and overall collaboration between metro agencies. Marv Bachmeier of Code4Group talks on Beacon Mutual which would allow for all metro agencies to see units and staging areas on a map. The application has much potential for collaboration in incident response.

Ball states that this would improve communication and transport time and help get the closest resources to the right locations.

Klawitter states that Beacon Mutual could work alongside any ‘CAD-to-CAD’ applications and has the potential to continue developing and evolving.

Rohret states that this is not an official MESB project. She says this could be brought up to the 9-1-1 TOC to discuss possible action or acquisition on the side of the PSAPs as a separate item from CAD-to-CAD.

Chair Brian Fisher creates the workgroup.

**B. EMSRB**

The recent legislation passed by the Minnesota legislature was discussed and how it will impact the EMS world. The EMSRB will be restructured, and further updates will be given once information is received.

Charles Soucheray says that they are still working through all the changes that will be made. Updated information will be provided at a future meeting.

**C. MESB Update**

**i. Review By-Laws**

Hayes says the new and updated EMS bylaws have been approved by the MESB board. Each governing body needs to reappoint a primary and alternate to the committees. Hayes says to watch your emails as he will be sending more information regarding these appointment nominations. Please send all your appointment materials to Hayes.

**ii. EMS Regional Training**

**1. STIL Class**

The STIL class will be in late June of 2024. Another opportunity to take the class will occur sometime in the winter of 2024 or early 2025. More updates will be provided once a class date is set.

**2. FTEP Course and Beyond the Streets**

Hayes says the Fitch and Associates classes are around $12,000-13,000 to host. If you are interested, please reach out to Hayes so he can determine if there is sufficient want. Hayes will email future dates for the FTEP and Beyond the Streets trainings.

**iii. EMS Grant Updates**

Hayes says current grant money is being used to purchase tourniquets as the ‘Stop the Bleed’ campaign is being pushed. If you need to borrow any of the equipment for summer events, please reach out to Hayes so he can put you on the schedule.

Rohret says that the equipment grant application is due by the end of June. Please work on getting that completed and turned in if interested in the grant.

**MMRTAC Update**

**1. MIST Trauma Time Out**

The committee has decided to get all metro agencies on the MIST trauma format. Information regarding ‘MIST’ is on the EMS website. If you need any more information, please contact Hayes.

**D. MMRC East & West Update**

East: Allina is working on using ‘zip-it’ for hospital communications processes.

West: The West has a ‘zip-it’ exercise that went well this morning. The IVR system is being upgraded.

**E. EMS Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee**

**i. Incident Response Plan Training**

The training has been designed and completed for the new IRP. To access this training please go to the EMS website. Please reach out to Hayes if you have any questions.

**ii. MNTRAC Update**

The workgroup within the EMS EP Subcommittee working on MNTRAC has been suspended. The MRCC is already working on MNTRAC upgrades, and the committee will await their results to determine future workgroup plans.

**F. Local EMS Updates**

The agencies present gave brief updates on their upcoming summer events.

**G. Other Updates – None**

**7. Other Business – None**

**8. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.