

DEEP EAST TEXAS REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE MEETING

November 10, 2021

ZOOM: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81398514922?pwd=eFpqUzcvTFBNUmV1S0pSRFArRzV5UT09>

Meeting ID: 813 9851 4922

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MINUTES

Location: ZOOM Conference Call and F-T-F CHI Lufkin Memorial

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Presiding: Scott Christopher, DETRAC Chair

1. Call to Order-

The Zoom Teleconference and in person meeting was called to order at 5:02 pm by Mr. Scott Christopher

2. Attendance – Review of Attendance Spreadsheet / Collection/Announcement of Proxies

Attendees who arrived in person signed the physical sign in sheet. Mr. Christopher announced that there were no reported or received Proxies. A reconciliation of all in attendance was performed. A DETRAC General Assembly Attendance Record will be maintained in the DETRAC office.

3. Introduction of Guests

Connie Bryant from HCA was introduced as a new attendee.

4. Review / Approval of September 15, 2021 Minutes

Mr. Christopher announced that the 'draft' minutes were not ready for review. The draft will be sent to the DETRAC members electronically for review / edit / approval.

5. Voter Representative Form Due – <https://detrac.wp.masseymedia.com/forms/>

- ◆ Mr. Christopher announced that some of our member agencies are late to turn in the Voter Representative form that was due on October 31, 2021. He urged members to turn it in as soon as possible. Members were previously sent a voter representative form to fill out and a copy of the form is also available on the website.

6. Review/Approval of Treasurers' Report

- ◆ Status of Various Funding Sources (EMS County, EMS RAC, Sys&Dev)

Members were able to view a hardcopy of the QuickBooks Reports and see where every expense was paid to.

- ◆ Local Project Grant Funding Update (spine boards x127) – DETRAC is going to be painting the DETRAC name on all backboards before passing them out to our agencies.

7. Committee Activities – All encouraged to attend

- Pre-Hospital – Jonathan Walker – EMS CE is being created and carried out by Jonathon Walker. Most CE opportunities are announced during meetings as well as emailed to each of our agencies. He held a CE course after today's Executive Committee Meeting.
- Hospital Acute Care – Thomas Brown – He announced that there was an acute care meeting held earlier that day and shared information discussed during the meeting.
- Perinatal / Maternal – Jamie Lee – Announced that they held the perinatal meeting earlier in the day and shared details from the meeting. Jamie Lee asked the RAC to help pay for an educational opportunity that was being offered by AWHONN on OB emergencies. This course would be taken by a few members of the perinatal team and then they would in return teach the rest of the staff.
- Emergency Preparedness / HPP / North Corridor – Gary Litton / Michael Rankin / Stephen Bennett
 - Gary Litton discussed the Off-the-Grid Exercise that will be coming up on 12/7/21 (9a-11a). DETRAC was asked to help spread the information via email.
- Physicians Advisory / QI – Scott Christopher
- Education / Injury Prevention – Shere Beguin
 - Ms. Beguin announced that there will be injury prevention courses offered within the next few months. She is organizing a Child Safety Seat Technician Course/ check-up events as well as a Gun Safety Course.
 - Ms. Beguin announced the Texas EMS Conference (FTF – Austin) – Nov 21-24, 2021 and the Red Duke Trauma / EMS Symposium – Houston – March 25, 2022

8. Executive Committee Report – Mr. Christopher and Carmen Stuck informed members of topics and discussions that took place during the Executive Board Meeting.

- ◆ Carmen Stuck announced that there were still at least 5 people who had not completed the ESI Triage Course. She will be emailing each supervisor to try to get those courses completed.

- ◆ Mr. Christopher announced that DETRAC had been a victim of check fraud and explained that it had been successfully resolved by Commercial Bank. DETRAC also filed a police report.
 - ◆ Carmen Stuck announced that she is in the process of completing the RAC Self-Assessment packet. This will be a very extensive and detailed report and she be contacting hospital's and EMS agencies in our region to get feedback.
 - ◆ Carmen Stuck gave a brief update on the reports that were turned into DSHS this month and will email everyone a copy of the Annual Report to view.
 - ◆ Mr. Christopher announced that Massey Media will be releasing the newest version of our website in the next coming weeks. The new website will be more user friendly and include new features for cell phone users.
 - ◆ Texas Wristband Project - DETRAC will be delivering the wristbands in the next few weeks to all of our EMS agencies. Each agency should be thinking about who they would like to select to be in charge of the project for their stations.
9. **Texas EMS, Trauma & Acute Care Foundation Update** – Scott
- ◆ Mr. Christopher announced that TETAF was looking for new board members if anyone was interested or would like to nominate someone.
 - ◆ Mr. Christopher announced that the November news letter is now available on TETAF's website.
10. **Texas EMS Trauma Newsletter** – Fall Edition online
Mr. Christopher announced that the newsletter is now available to view on the DSHS website.
11. **Texas EMS & Trauma Registry Update** – Scott
Mr. Christopher announced that our area is not yet using the CARES registry, but looks forward to using it in this region in the near future.
12. **GETAC Meeting** – FTF Austin Nov 20-22
Mr. Christopher announced that the GETAC Meeting will be held as part of the EMS Summit in Austin.
13. **Trauma Center Designation Update / Announcements** - Hospital Representatives
- ◆ Kelle Harrison announced that Nacogdoches Memorial Hospital is changing ownership and is in the process of changing designation to a level 3 Trauma Center.
 - ◆ Mr. Christopher announced that the TTCF meeting will be face to face on November 19, 2021
14. **Stroke Center Designation Update / Announcements** – Hospital Representatives
There are no new announcements to report.
15. **Chest Pain Center Designation Update / Announcements** – Hospital Representatives
No new updates or announcements to report.
16. **Perinatal / Maternal Systems Development** – Hospital Representatives
- ◆ DSHS PI Tutorials (J. Klein)
17. **Pre-Hospital Provider Update / Announcement** – Agency Representative
- ◆ Scott Christopher announced that he is the new PHI Lufkin Base Supervisor.
 - ◆ Justin Cude announced that Angelina Co. 911 Coverage will be taken over by Allegiance Health/EMS on 1/1/22.
 - ◆ Kaylee McDaniel expressed her concerns with Sabine County EMS being short on Ambulances and staff and asked if the RAC could help. Mr. Christopher said that we will be looking into ways to support Sabine County EMS and asked if Justin Cude could give help in any way. Connie Bryant said that she believes that if Sabine County needed to call Air Medical One that they would come out to pick up patients.
18. **Other Announcements**
- ◆ PHI Customer Appreciation Party – Austin EMS Conf – Nov 22 (6p-9p)
Several members showed interest in attending this party. Scott will send out the invite tomorrow.
 - ◆ Jim Speier announced that The Texas Association of Air Medical Services (TAAMS) was still in need of sponsors and donations for their Hall of Honor fundraiser. The Cornhole tournament will be \$25 a person for anyone that would like to attend. They are also accepting donations for the silent auction and all proceeds will go toward financial assistance of family members of EMS personnel that die in the line of duty.

Carmen is going to send out a reminder email to all of our agencies in hopes to get the word out. Connie Bryant said that she will speak with her employer, Air One UT Health, to see if they would be interested in sponsoring the event.

- ◆ Mr. Christopher announced that the Stop-the-Bleed Registry Workgroup is looking for EMS, Level IV and Level III Providers. Jonathon Walker expressed interest in joining the workgroup.
- ◆ COVID Concerns/Stories/Needs/Best-Practices // Heroes Helpline – 1-833-367-4687 // Vaccines
Several of our members expressed that they believe that COVID is not a main concern right now because the numbers have gone way down.

19. **Next Meeting**

Mr. Christopher announced that the next DETRAC meetings will be held on January 12, 2021.

- ◆ Crofab is interested in doing a presentation at the next General Assembly Meeting and will provide food.

20. **Adjourn** – 6:10 pm