

**Tulsa Regional Trauma Advisory Board**  
 St. Francis Heart Hospital  
 6161 S. Yale, Tulsa OK

Minutes of Meeting of July 5, 2011 – 1:00 P.M.

**Board Member**

Agency Name	Representative	Status
Aerocare Med. Trans	M. Paston	P
Bailey Med. Center	Rachel Caudill	A
Broken Arrow FD	Ryan Lawson	P
Collinsville	Russell Young	P
EMSA East	Duffy McAnallen	P
Hillcrest Med. Ctr.	Dr Jeff Dixon	P
NE Ok. Eye Inst.	Lori Eggers	A
Okla. Surg. Hosp.	Delores Copp	P
OSU-Med. Center	Dr. M. Blubaugh	P

Agency Name	Representative	Status
Owasso Fire Dept.	Bruce Kelley	A
Shadow Mtn.	Selena Stockley	A
Skiatook Fire EMS	Chuck Williamson	P
Southcrest Hosp.	Dr Robert Stone	P
St. Francis	Dr David Thomas	P
St. Francis-South	Dr. Greg Gray	P
St. John Med. Cntr.	Carolyn Hanig	P
St. John-Owasso	Dr. Jason Lepak	P
Tulsa Spine Hosp	Kim Sherrod	P

**General Members**

Agency Name		Status
Brookhaven Hosp.		P
Collinsville EMS		A
CCC-Tulsa		P
EMS Plus, inc.		P
Laureate Psy. Clinic		P
Meadow Brook		P
Air Evac Lifeteam		P

Agency Name		Status
Southwest Reg M.C		P
Parkside		P
Oklahoma Neuro.		A
Select Spec. Hosp.		A
St. John's BA		P
Mercy Reg of OK		A
Tulsa Life Flight		P

- I. CALL TO ORDER – by Duffy McAnallen at 1305
- II. ROLL CALL – Please see listed above
- III. INTRODUCTION AND/OR ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - CEU are being offered to EMS personnel who are in attendance today. The CQI case study will count as one hour. Each individual will need to sign in on the clipboard

provided. Please write legibly so your name can be listed accurately on the certificates.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: - Approval on minutes for April 5, 2011 as presented: Motion by Dr. Thomas, seconded by Dr. Dixon. Roll call vote taken, motion passed unanimously.

V. REPORTS

A. Emergency Systems Report- Brandon Bowen

1. Patrice Greenawalt, Asst Chief of Medical Facilities, has retired effective 7-1-11.
2. Daryl Bottoms is our new Administrative Assistant for EMS.
3. The new Trauma DVD has finally been completed. We are very confident that this is a quality production. We ask that at the next RTAB that the individual who is responsible for training for your agency/facility be here. There will be additional handouts available for those educators. Following distribution of the DVD's a post-assessment.
4. The Emergency Systems newsletter is ready for the second edition. This is where we will be sending out information on several topics to keep everyone current with the State Health Department.
5. The next Trauma Registry class is scheduled for July 21 / 22 at the OU Schusterman Campus. If anyone has questions on Trauma Registry training, please contact Dr. Kenneth Stewart. OKEMISIS questions, please contact Martin Lansdale.
6. OTSIDAC last met on May 4, 2011. This was a big meeting where the alternative funding methodology was voted on. A quick breakdown is as follows:
  - a. EMS enhancement pool at 8% of total funds – passed
  - b. Rehab enhancement tool - up to 3.5% of available funds – passed
  - c. Stabilization and transfer - up to 2% of available funds – passed
  - d. Hospitals and physicians – at least 86% of the funds available – this failed with a vote of 4 for and 10 against.
7. Next OERSDAC is August 3, 2011 at Metro-Tech at 1:00. OTSIDAC will also meet on the same date and time at Metro Tech. At 2:30 the same day will be the first combined meeting of both councils. The new Trauma Triage DVD will be shown to both councils. The framework for the state emergency response plan will be introduced.
8. OERSSIRF awardees are listed on the state website and will also be in the next Newsletter for your review. They will list who and what was awarded.
9. Please check your SPAM filters on your e-mail accounts. We do receive a lot of returned mail.

QUESTION: From Dr Thomas: "At the last RTAB we had asked about response times for physicians (surgeon or orthopedics) to respond at a Level III facility for an ER patient. Has an answer been determined? A question could be seen in the aspect of a transfer request for the patient – has the on-call seen the patient? Could this be construed as an EMTALA violation? What is the answer?"

BRANDON BOWEN: "This would be a Medical Facility question for Tom Welin. I will find out."

DR THOMAS: "This was brought up at a previous meeting. An answer needs to be found."

DR SACRA: "If the scope of the needs of the patient is above that which could be supplied at the facility, the patient should be transferred. I do not feel that this would be an EMTALA issue. The educational programs that we support state that we should stabilize and transport without additional testing. If the patient is P1 and the local facility is not capable of treating the injuries, the patient should be transferred without bringing in the on-call surgeon or orthopedics. We have to be careful how we address this answer. P1 patients are only 8% of all patients."

DR GRAY: Should we bump this up to OTSIDAC? Yes.

## B. Regional Sub-Committee Report

1. RPC- did not meet
2. CQI- Sandra J. Terry. RN
  - June 9, 2011 – 4 cases for follow-up and 1 new.
    - delay of definitive care.
    - Lack of stabilization
    - Air vs ground
    - Airway management
    - Documentation problems requiring training
    - On-call specialist not available
    - Good Job Letter!
    - Medication doses
    - Ventilator issues
  - Next meeting Sept 8 at St Francis
3. MAC –
  - Non-therapeutic testing
  - Lack of resources
  - Level IV triage issues
  - Delayed response times
  - Airway management issues
  - Definitive care hospital did not have specialist available
  - Pediatric burn patient destinations
  - Next meeting July 20, room 314 at OSDH

QUESTION: Dr Gray – Do any of those cases involve: hand, neuro or maxofacial trauma transfers?

ANSWER: Sandy Terry: Yes – one was hand-related in region 7, unavailability.

## VI. PRESENTATIONS:

### A. CQI – Case Study – Sandra Terry

QUESTION DR THOMAS: "The letters for a good job are a great approach. However, what is the stick?"

ANSWER DR SACRA: "There is no longer a payment made to a level IV, for a P1 or some P2, definitive care payment made. They will only receive a patient for stabilization and transfer. Keep in mind that 2/3 of all hospitals are Level IV. This should reduce the non-essential non-therapeutic care."

QUESTION – Unknown: "Training is not getting to the field. I would like to see the State take the initiative on this. Send the DVD, whatever it takes."

ANSWER: BRANDON BOWEN: "We will be presenting at OEMTA Medic Update at the end of July. Courses to be presented are Trauma/Triage, First Responders, EMS Director Course as well as few other items. Once the DVD's are rolled out we will have a digital copy of the DVD available on the website at a later time. Our Newsletter will be used for training and information purposes. We are getting the word out."

QUESTION: DUFFY MCANALLED: "Where are the teeth from the State on agencies not training on Trauma Triage? Can the DVD be made available, like the FEMA course, for CEU's on-line? Scenario based training. Something to think about."

B. Tulsa Life Flight – Susan Cook

QUESTION: DR SACRA: "Do you know the percentage of downtime due to weather?"

ANSWER: SUSAN COOK: "25% downtime due to weather."

QUESTION: DR SACRA: "Do you have a protocol for transferring calls to other air transport when your agency is not available?"

ANSWER: SUSAN COOK: "Yes, anytime we are not the closest helicopter we will transfer them or connect them to the closest one..... we have the locations all mapped out of all of the other helicopters and where they are located."

RESPONSE: WENDE TEAGUE – AIR EVAC: "Air Evac also does this. We roll calls to whoever is closest. Eagle-Med, Air Evac, Med-Trans. We have rolled over calls to Life Flight."

C. St Francis – Sue Watkins

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

- PELA – Jackie Whitten requested that all air services assist with the collection of PELA site locations. The State is working on compiling this data for insertion into the EMResource system so that everyone has access to those locations.

QUESTION: "Is anyone with the State going to attend the next OKAAMS meeting?"

ANSWER: JACKIE: "Not at this time."

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. EDUCATION NEEDS – would like to solicit ideas on education training that is needed in Region 7. This needs to be beneficial to those who attend.

- o Those presenting next month are: Wendie Teague – Air Evac, St John

- B. 2012 Proposed Board Members Rotation: Motion to place proposed Board Members on the agenda for the next RTAB meeting for the 30 day review, as

required. Motion by Dr. Greg Gray, seconded by Dr. Mark Blubaugh. Roll call vote. Motion passed unanimously.

- C. 2012 Board Officer Nominations:
  - a. Nominations must be selected from the proposed 2012 Board Members.
  - b. Motion made that all current officers be re-elected to the position they hold at this time. Motion made by: Mike Paston, Seconded by Ryan Lawson. Roll call vote. Motion passed unanimously.
- D. 2012 Board Meeting Dates: The dates and locations were reviewed. The board requests that we look for a different date for the July meeting to leave room for holiday time. Possibly the 10<sup>th</sup>. The State has advised they will look for a different date and present them via email for review by the board.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- A. BRANDON BOWEN: - Response to Dr Thomas' question regarding time line for surgeon / ortho to be at level III on ER trauma. "Oklahoma Administrative Code 310, Chapter 667 subchapter 29:" ....physicians that are on call must be there within 20 minutes." This is for Level III. Physicians who are on call.
- B. Certificates for the CEU's for today can be found at the back table.
- C. OSU Center for Health Sciences has offered their facility for a possible location for a meeting in next year's rotation.
- D. Reminder that RTAB authorizations need to be made

XI. NEXT MEETING:

RTAB- October 4- 1:00 P.M. St John Hospital	RPC –; following RTAB	Region 2, 4, and 7 CQI: September 8, 2011 at 10:30 A.M. St. Francis Hospital
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XII. ADJOURN – Motion to adjourn