



**Kansas Chapter of AAMS Meeting Minutes
December 3rd 2008
Topeka, KS
Posez Stormont-Vail Education Center- Centennial B**

Attendees:

Name:	Program:
TJ Coker	EagleMed
Frank Williams	Midwest Life Team
Rod Pace	MedFlight
JimmMurray	Air Methods
Sherry McCool	Children's Mercy Critical Care Transport
Mitch Babb	LifeFlight Eagle

Meeting called to order by TJ Coker at 1907

Minutes from October 21st 2008 approved by TJ Coker, 2nd by Frank Williams

Old Business: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive

KanAAMS Chapter Nominations-Nominations for open chairs were made and elections will be held in 30 days (February 4th). Nominations will remain open until February 4th

- President Elect-Rod Pace nominated by Frank Williams seconded by T.J Coker
- President Elect- Ruby Meher nominated by Mitch Babb seconded by Frank Williams
- Secretary/Treasurer-Sherry McCool nominated by Rod Pace seconded by Frank Williams

Safety

Committee Meetings

Steve Payton and Sherry McCool will co-chair the safety committee information will be obtained by KC Jones and Adrian. *The next safety meeting will be held with the sub-committee meetings on January 15th at 10:00 in Emporia.*

Weatherturndown.com

Group discussion about the amount of helicopter shopping that was occurring in central Missouri and how it was visible on the site. There was discussion on who is posting information on the site at the various programs (pilots or communication specialists) the majority of the group stated that their communication center handled the posting. Rod discussed that an update of the system will allow the ability of a program to post both rotor wing and fixed wing turndowns.

Involvement of pilots and other disciplines is KanAAMS safety meetings.

The group discussed that they would like to see more involvement from pilots with the sub-committee. Frank Williams suggested that TJ or KC send out an e-mail to the group encouraging programs to invite their pilots.

Regulations/Legislative

Air and Ground Regulations

Rod gave an update on the October the 28th Kansas Board of EMS meeting held to discuss the air regulations. All programs were represented and legal council was also present it was felt the meeting went well.

Rod gave an update on the October 29th Kansas Board of EMS meeting held to discuss the ground regulations. Frank Williams represented KanAAMS. Our issues concerning critical care ground transport and other concerns were also shared by many ground providers. KanAAMS official report to the KS Board of EMS

Rod discussed the importance of providing a report to the board on a regular basis. Topics could include helicopter shopping and safety. Drafting of a helicopter shopping letter similar to Missouri and Oklahoma were discussed. *It was decided a draft will be made for the February 4th meeting with delivery on the 5th.*

It was decided that Joe Moreland with the Board of EMS need to be given a KanAAMS report 10 days prior to the committee meetings. *At the January 15th sub-committee meetings the legislative group will draft an update to send to the board.*

F.A.R.E Video

Rod Pace discussed the video put out by F.A.R.E on helicopter shopping. *Rod will mail it to everyone to review. Sherry will ask Chuck Palmer to put a link on the web-site to the video.*

Newsletter

TJ suggested that they group put together a regular communication such as a newsletter.

EMSC

Sara House from the EMSC will be attending one of our meetings and would like to form a working relationship with our group.

Education

Committee Chair

The committee is currently in absence of a chair. *TJ will recruit a volunteer from EagleMed to chair the group.*

New Business

Regional Representation of KanAAMS in the AAMS Board of Directors vote on Profit vs. Non-Profit issues.

All programs represented at the meeting voiced they were not asked to give input on this issue by our AAMS regional representative Tim Pickering of Air Evac. *TJ stated that he would contact Life Star and Life Net to see if they gave our regional representative input prior to the vote at the AAMS Board meeting in Minneapolis.*

Incorporation Notice

Frank stated the incorporation notice will be due in April

Next Sub Committee Meetings will be held on January 15th in Emporia at 10:00a.

Next General Meeting will be held on February 4th 2008 at 1900, Posez Education Center, Topeka, KS

Meeting was adjourned at 2030

Meeting Minutes submitted by: Sherry McCool