



Oklahoma State
Department of Health
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Southwest (3) Regional Education Planning Committee

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, August 3, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

Location of Meeting: Great Plains Business Development Center •
1601 Parkridge Boulevard • Lawton, OK 73505

Minutes

1. Brad LanCaster, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.
2. Roll Call was taken. Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present at Roll Call	Absent at Roll Call
Brad LanCaster	Jamie Hennessey
Beth Malone	Dan McLeod
Jenalu Simpson	Scott Tanner
Robert Stewart	
Rachel Talley	
Tyler Walters	
Tre McPherson	

3. Brad LanCaster reports that Rachel Talley will be the new REPC chair and this meeting will be chaired by Rachel Talley in preparation for her next meeting. Tessa Cleary-Smith introduces herself as the new Region 3 EMS Regional Coordinator.
4. Tyler Walters motioned to approve April 6, 2023 meeting minutes with the addition of adding Beth Malone to the attendance list, as she was counted absent but was present. Beth Malone seconded. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Brad LanCaster		
Beth Malone		
Jenalu Simpson		
Robert Stewart		
Rachel Talley		
Tyler Walters		
Tre McPherson		

5. Strategic Planning topics

Rachel Talley presents a PowerPoint that includes regional trauma system barriers to optimal trauma care and solution-based action items to begin planning. These action items include staffing issues and acknowledging that there is a staffing issue for prehospital and hospital by acknowledging that there are finite resources that need to be respected by both entities. This can be done by respecting prehospital crews that arrive with a patient and look at transfer patients and working together to find a solution that would allow transfers to be completed without putting pressure on the prehospital system or interfering with the hospital needs. Interpersonal communication between prehospital and hospital staff is also one of the solution-based action items to work on as a region. Interpersonal communication works with understanding staffing concerns that arise and working together to create a better system for the patients within the region. Collaboration is another point that is made that is needed. Education on both sides as part of onboarding training to create an understanding between prehospital and hospital. Ms. Talley reports that she will be assigning tasks to members of REPC to begin working on the action items. Beth Malone and Tyler Walters are assigned to obtain and review the prehospital destination protocol for the prehospital providers that deliver patients to Grady Memorial Hospital. Tre McPherson and Jenalu Simpson are assigned to obtain pieces of information for a transfer algorithm to include specialties, times, bed availability, and resources to better assist transfers for prehospital and hospital. Robert Stewart and Brad LanCaster are assigned to build the algorithm to use by hospitals for transfers. Rachel Talley and Brad LanCaster are assigned to create a scalable matrix for the region, that applies to prehospital and hospital, to address transfers.

6. Future Meeting Dates for 2023:

- Thursday, October 5, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

7. No public comment.

8. The meeting is adjourned at 10:00 a.m.