Kansas City Regional VOAD

# Meeting Minutes

# May 18, 2016

## Opening

The regular meeting of the Kansas City Regional VOAD was called to order at 1:45 PM on May 18, 2016 at the Salvation Army Building, 3637 Broadway Kansas City, MO 64111, by Chair Gary Thurman.

**Present**

Mike Baughman Wyandotte Cty. EM

Mike Bellinger Amateur Radio Emergency Service

Mike Curry Jackson City EM

Dante Gliniecki Independence Emergency Manager

Alan Harvey Independence SDA Church

Phil Major CCNEK

Glenn McCary COR

Gary Thurman United Way 211

George Voitik American Red Cross

C. L. Webb Wyandotte City Public Health

Kristen Womack United Way 211 (UWGKC)

Erin Lynch MARC

Lorie Snyder KCMO Health

Deb Abner Salvation Army

Tina Brown SEMS

**Agenda**

1. Welcome and Introductions Gary Thurman
   * Called meeting to order at 1:45 PM
   * Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes Submitted by Phil Major
   * Minutes Approved (Gliniecki/McCary)
3. Operational Reports
   * Glenn McCary
     + Sent team to Tulsa, OK to help rebuild home after tornado damages
     + Skid loader and chainsaw training has been delayed. Dates to come.
     + Finished early responder training course
     + Great Plains conference is not doing badging
   * Olathe Cert
     + Sanchez is retiring
     + Providing building rescue training at Olathe Court House on Saturday
   * Laura
     + Universal badging system training (Salamander) completed
     + Weller Airport exercise
     + New portable shelter test will be hosted a Pride festival
       - Potential to use as a POD site
   * Phil Major
     + Summer feeding program doubled (19-20 sites) will be open
       - 1st site open next week
   * Mike Bellinger
     + Weather watches have been activated recently due to rain
   * Mike Curry
     + Weather spotters training was a successful event
       - Saturday seems to be a good day for families
     + Residential Weather Spotter program being built
       - Online training has been launched
       - Planning out grids and assigning at least one per grid
       - Text launching and they report through online program
       - Plan to be effective by end of summer
   * Wyandotte Health
     + Training for illness investigators to assess situations
     + FIT testing starting this month
     + M35s training
     + POD training getting ready
     + This Thursday public health – active assailant- training will be completed
     + New KDAG Emergency Prep position will be opening up on the state level
   * Tina (SEMA)
     + Getting ready for Mass Care exercise
     + National VOAD coming up
   * Mike (Church)
     + Working to train volunteers through Jackson County EMC
   * Mike Baughman
     + Matt May is coordinating Cooling/Warming centers
   * Gary
     + Heat Task Force for KCMO will help to reduce number of heat fatalities this summer
       - Bill Snook (KC Health Dept) is coordinating efforts
   * Debra
     + VRC supplies are now stored at Salvation Army
     + Deployed water to Ks and wellness to Jefferson County
     + Assisted with power outage in Crawford KS
     + Helped with wildfire near medicine lodge KS and Reno County
   * Gary Thurman
     + UW of the Plains coordinated with COEM during wildfires in KS to create a Virtual Donation site. People would call into 211 to report items they could donate and if they could deliver it.
     + Partnership with St Louis 211 helped establish a Disaster Intake form to get information regarding needs, damage, urgency
   * Karen (Catholic Charities)
     + MARC training June 21st
     + KCMO-St Joseph now have new AmeriCorps VISTA position to help limited English-speaking families regarding disaster preparedness
       - Position starts July 15th
       - 3 year program
       - Catholic Charities South MO also go a similar grant
   * Dante Gliniecki
     + Clean up and transportation of debris was done form last year’s storm
     + Need long term care committee
4. Mass Care (Dante):
   * Planning meeting in next couple of weeks
   * Workshop today in Warrensburg
   * Aug 24th is launch of event
     + Will be receiving volunteers (and looking for volunteers)
     + Have volunteer “actors” (100+)
     + Independence is primary response
     + ERC will be located at Silverstien Eye Center Arena
       - Start here to get essentials then directed to complex shelters
         * KS sport lodge
         * Remnant Church
       - Lee’s Summit Parks & Rec will lead shelters
       - American Red Cross will assist
       - Southern Baptist will provide food
         * Salvation Army will help distribute food
       - Pet shelter at arena lead by DARTS
       - Communications through Amateur Radio
       - Health and Medical services will be provided
         * 2 POD sites

Located at Lowe’s parking lots in Eastern Jackson

* + Purpose is to test Evacuation System (both paper and electronic)
  + VOAD roles:
    - Deb is leading Salvation Army
    - Mike – HAM Radios
    - Glenn – ERC/VRC check in
    - Laura – badging at ERC
  + There will be a MAC in KCMO and MARC is working on plan
  + Command OPS for human services branch (small MAC) will be posted
    - Who needs to staff it?
      * Possibility – Gary, Erin…
  + Olathe CERT will try to find approximately 4 people for an Instant Support Team
    - To be support staff for leads at shelters
  + New Madrid Fault plan is in place at the state level
  + KCK may do an EOC

1. Other Business:
   * Glen (COR) – has made the decision to launch separately from the conference
     + If there is a need for a volunteer team (small incidents), contact for assistance
     + Has 5 construction teams
     + 16ft trailer
     + 12ft trailer of chain saws
     + 2 man lift
     + Can get a hold of a skid loader
   * VOAD will be sending email to ensure agency updates are completed and recorded in the next month
     + Including what each agency is capable of
2. VOAD Organization & Structure:
   * By November, we need to complete elections
     + Next meeting develop structure for committees, etc.
       - Membership & by-laws
       - Long term/ unmet needs
       - Volunteer/Donation coordination
       - Mass Care
       - Faith Based
     + Email will be sent to ask what committee each would like to join
   * Access & Functional needs committee needs a new home, could they be included into VOAD?

## Adjournment: 3:32 PM

Next Meeting: 1:30 PM, August 17th, 2016, location TBA

Minutes submitted by: Kristen Womack, United Way 2-1-1

Approved by:

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