



## South Central

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KEMA South Central Meeting  
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1. Call to Order
2. Introductions
3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – Motion made by Randy Frank, seconded by Mike Loreg. Motion approved.
4. KEMA Board Report
  - a. Keri Korthals reported that the new KEMA website has been launched. Some are having trouble logging into the members' section. If you have any problems, please let Keri know. Additional features, including for the conference, will be coming in the future.
  - b. **Reminder: the KEMA membership cycle runs from October 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>, (so that it will expire after the conference).**
5. KAC Representative Report
  - a. Brian Stone has provided a written KAC report to the board for distribution, but briefly touched on the highlights. The position of Executive Director is open and a search is being conducted. The position of Finance and Operations Director has been filled. The next meeting is later this month.
6. SIAC Report
  - a. Julie McClure joined the last SIAC meeting via conference call, but deferred to Adam Chriss for the most recent information.
  - b. Adam from KDEM/ECS said they are looking into new radio system features like OTAR (over the air programming) that can push out updates from KDOT. Many existing radios do not currently support this feature, but agencies may want to consider including the ability to use this feature when buying new radios.
7. Old Business
  - a. Training opportunities in the region
    - i. Web EOC – April 16 – Pratt
    - ii. Psychological First Aid – April 17 – Wichita **1083993**
    - iii. CRMCS – April 29 – Wichita EOC **1083840**
    - iv. L146 HSEEP – May 8-9 in Wichita **1081488**
    - v. KSFFA Regional Fire School – May 18-19 in Clearwater; (held on a weekend to accommodate volunteers); no pre-registration required.
    - vi. Incident Tactical Dispatch (INTD) – June 10-14 – Salina; limited lodging available at the Kansas Highway Patrol Academy
    - vii. KS-132 Discussion Based Exercise Design – June 11-13 in Wichita **1082032**
    - viii. AWR-136 Cyber Security – June 18 – Heartland Preparedness Center with only 9 spots left. **1083364**
    - ix. Comms Unit Leader (COML) – June 18-20 – Wichita Fire dept at 31<sup>st</sup>/Oliver
    - x. SG County Hazmat TTX – June 19 – Heartland Preparedness Center **1084313**
    - xi. Comms Tech (COMT) – July 22-26 – Heartland Preparedness Center
    - xii. KS-133 Operations Based Exercise Design – Jul. 30-Aug. 2 – Topeka **1081418**

b. Regional radio tests -- John Stradal

- i. Since the last KEMA meeting the region has had a couple months of testing. Participation from some agencies has been sporadic. The general consensus is that the testing is still valuable and should continue. Discussion transitioned to notifications for the testing. There are still some individuals not receiving notifications, or not getting them in time. John said that if there are issues with notification to let him know so that he can look into them. The radio tests occur every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at around 10am.

c. No other old business

8. New Business

a. Update on EOC Support Team Project -- Jeff Welshans, KDEM

- i. The EOC Support Team was formed 2 years ago. The policy and ops manuals have been written and were sent to KDEM leadership in December to be reviewed. Jeff hopes to have them approved by June of this year. The overall structure is a work in progress; there are still some logistical pieces to figure out. There are currently 10 members on the team. If someone wants to be on the team there will be an application process; applications must be approved by the county EM. Minimum training includes the G191 ICS/EOC Interface class. In addition, FEMA is requiring that each individual be task book certified. KDEM is looking at a way to accomplish this without making it long process to get through the task book. Jeff stated that position specific task books have not been set yet. Brian Stone from Cowley County went on a deployment along with others from Greenwood County, Anderson County, Rice County and Johnson County to help Doniphan County with their flooding event last month. Jeff indicated that KDEM plans to deploy an EOC Support Team whenever an IMT is deployed.
- ii. New employees or positions at KDEM.
  1. Matt Matheis is the new state training officer
  2. Mark Willis is the new training rep in south central
  3. Derrick Montgomery is the new Biological Planner
  4. Still trying to hire someone for the position that Susan McMahan held.

b. Wildland Fire Symposium follow up -- Gary Denny, Harvey Co. and Bill Pater Derby FD

- i. The FORCE primary goal at the KEMA meeting today is to enlist EM support to encourage adding FD equipment and personal into CRMCS. The Kansas Fire service has adopted using CRMCS as their only database. On May 7<sup>th</sup> in Hutch a CRMCS training will be hosted for the fire service and FORCE. Bill Pater sent around a list so that the EM's can update their notification information. He asked that if you have a task force from your county, please put it in CRMCS. Brian Rogers from KDEM is willing to go to counties to go over CRMCS as needed. He recently went to Harvey County and helped them.

c. Printers

- i. The new proposed ID card printers were approved by KDEM yesterday and will be added to the State contract. They did get approved without the lamination requirement at a price of around \$2,500. This price includes one ribbon. The price for each additional ribbon will be around \$100; each will print approximately 85 cards. Greg will send out an email to see how many counties need a printer. Jim Leftwich believes that the state will reopen bidding so that they can add the new printer to the state contract.

9. Report from Members

- a. John Stradal sent around the Regional Contact Information list (it was also emailed out prior to the meeting). If there are changes please email him so that he can make them.
- b. John sent around the South Central KEMA membership list. If you're not on the list and feel you should be, contact Keri Korthals.
- c. Chance Hayes - National Weather Service
  - i. NWS has started sending out hot spot notifications for most counties (some will only get them when GFDI reaches extreme levels). Contact Chance to change who receives the notifications that are sent to your counties.
  - ii. If you are having a big event (or even small events) fill out the notification form and email it to the NWS so that they can add the event on their calendar. Chance asks that you include as much information on the form as possible so that they will be able to get you the information needed for the days that are requested. They also can help with emergencies and other unplanned events that may happen.
- d. Tim Branscom announced that Pratt will be hosting a Preparedness Day on April 27.
- e. Dan Pugh said that KDHE and the US Marshals Service provided a Security for Medical Countermeasures & Points of Dispensing class. Based on a continuing need the class will be held annually. They will have one in Kansas City one year and Wichita the next.

10. Next Meeting: Thursday, June 6th, McPherson County

11. Adjournment