



Air Medical Committee

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 18, 2008

11:00 AM

NCTTRAC RAC SMALL CONFERENCE ROOM

TYPE OF MEETING	Air Medical Committee
FACILITATOR	Rickey Reed

The meeting was called to order at 11:04 am.

DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Airway Registry Update</u> – Shawn Chisholm of NCTTRAC gave an update on the trauma registry. Mr. Chisholm has created an online version of the Airway Registry form where the entries will go into a database and the data can be manipulated electronically. Mr. Chisholm showed a live demo of the form. Rickey Reed and Steven Clinkscales asked about the possibility of problems with security without the form being password protected and suggested a generic password could keep the form secure. Mr. Chisholm stated that he could add generic password protection to the form if the committee wanted. Rick Thurman made a motion to accept the online form as the new standard for Airway Registry. Ian Curnow seconded that motion and the vote was unanimous in favor of the new online form. 2. <u>Website and Listserv</u> – Chip Orton of NCTTRAC showed the committee the new website and the new Air Medical Committee page. Mr. Orton also showed the committee the new listserv that was in place and urged people in the Air Medical Committee to sign up for the Air Medical listserv. The RAC listservs can be found on the front page of the website under NCTTRAC Mailing List. 3. <u>Helipad Safety Policy for Baylor Health Care System Facilities</u> – Officer Rick Carter with the BHCS Police Department handed out several policy documents that reviewed helipad safety at BHCS facilities. Mr. Carter explained that BCHS Dallas Campus dispatch needed to be called before any landing at one of their facilities. The number for BCHS Dallas Campus dispatch is 214-820-4444. Rick Thurman said that the North Texas Air Medical Operators met on Monday, November 17th and that Guy Del Guides was responsible for disseminating helipad information to the Air Medical organizations and suggested coordinating with Mr. Del Guides on future helipad policies or issues. 4. <u>New Meeting Dates</u> – Rickey Reed discussed the new meeting dates for the Air Medical Committee. Next month, the Air Medical Committee will meet at the NCTTRAC General Membership Meeting at Bob Duncan Community Center in Arlington on December 9th. The following meeting will take place in the NCTTRAC EMOG in Arlington on February 24th. There will be no Air Medical Committee Meeting in January. 5. <u>Texas EMS Conference</u> – Rickey Reed talked about the Texas EMS Conference which starts on Saturday, November 22nd and runs through Wednesday, November 26th. The group discussed coverage of the booth and the presentation of the EMSystem CAD interface. 6. <u>Air Medical Interface with EMResource Update</u> – Chip Orton gave an update on the CAD interface with EMResource. As of now, both CareLite and Air Evac/LifeStar are running on the interface. PHI is the only provider not yet on the interface. Mr. Orton said that he noticed that AirEvac/LifeStar's air assets were operating on the interface, but not moving on the map. Mr. Orton called Nathan Wheeler of AirEvac and was told that one of the AirEvac directors made the decision that AirEvac would not use the GPS location, but only approximates. Mr. Orton expressed his concern to Mr. Wheeler that all agencies had agreed to use GPS location and one agency not using GPS could cause the project to falter. Various staff of AirEvac at the meeting said that they would follow up on the matter. The committee also discussed doing a survey to follow up on the implementation of the interface.
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NEW BUSINESS

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Special Meeting and Executive Meeting</u> – The committee discussed both the special session of the committee and executive meeting that took place last month. Steven Clinkscales of AirEvac made a motion to have the following statement entered into the minutes: “The membership of the Air Medical Committee is displeased that the Chair – Dr. Bob Simonson – entered a vote of abstain on the matter of re-electing a chair and feel that he misrepresented the will and intent of the committee.” Kelly Lindemann seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous among the voting members. 2. <u>Vice Chair Election</u> – Steven Clinkscales made a motion to hold nominations and an election for a committee Vice Chair. The motion was seconded by Kelly Lindemann and the vote to elect a Vice Chair was unanimous. Nominations for Vice Chair included Rick Thurman (LifeStar), Chris Weinzapfel (TLC / Rowlett FD), and Kelly Lindemann (PHI). The member vote resulted in the election of Rick Thurman of LifeStar as the Vice Chair of the Air Medical Committee. The committee asked that the election results and ballots be attached to these minutes for 90 days. 3. <u>Secretary Election</u> – Kelly Lindemann made a motion to hold nominations and an election for a committee Secretary. The motion was seconded by Jack Sosebee of Cook Children’s and the vote to elect a committee Secretary was unanimous. Nominations for Secretary included Ian Curnow (Keene FD), Chris Weinzapfel (TLC / Rowlett FD), and Kelly Lindemann (PHI). The member vote resulted in the election of Ian Curnow of Keene FD as the Secretary of the Air Medical Committee. The committee asked that the election results and ballots be attached to these minutes for 90 days. 4. <u>Safety Issues</u> – The committee asked that safety issues be put at the top of the agenda for all future meetings.
ADJOURNMENT	The meeting was adjourned at 1:14 pm.
NEXT MEETING	Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at the Bob Duncan Community Center, 2800 S. Center St. in Arlington

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