

Metropolitan Emergency Communication Council Minutes of August 13, 2011

The next MECC meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, October 8 at the Johnson County EOC, 111 Cherry St. Olathe, KS 66061. This will be the Exercise After Action Conference.

Present at the August 13 meeting were:

Name	Callsign	Organization
Kent Dickinson	KØWEW	Army MARS
Mike Bellinger	KØUAA	Jackson County ARES
Larry Widener	KAØYJE	Red Cross – KC MO
Matt May	KC4WCG	Johnson Co. Emergency Mgt. & ARES
Carolyn Wells	NØCJ	RHSCC Hospital Committee
Dennis Carpenter	KAØSXY	Northland ARES
Marshall McClure	NØHXT	MARS
Homer Sykes	WBØBTI	US Coast Guard Auxiliary
Susan Backs	KCØJCR	Leavenworth Co. ARES/KCHEART
Ed Rust	KDØBKH	Wyandotte County RACES
Sandy Rust	KDØBZI	Wyandotte County RACES
Brian Short	KCØBS	Johnson County ARES
Diane Lodge	KA9BHK	Lincoln County, WI ARES
Dick Quinlan	KAØDJR	Leavenworth County ARES/KCHEART
Rick Smith	KØKEX	KC North ARES – Platte County EC
Ron Rodveldt	KCØQIG	Platte Co. ARG/Northland ARES MO Army MARS

President Matt May called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Credentialing Members in attendance were asked to take the credentialing requirement list back to their own groups and either adopt the requirements within their organization or submit comments for feedback. The proposed requirements are minimum requirements. It is OK for individual groups to have more stringent additional requirements for each level.

SET Matt May will help develop a scenario specific EEG for any group needing that help. The exercise will include simplex checks. Exercise details were discussed.

SET evaluators Evaluators need to be experienced with the activity they are evaluating and know the emergency plan. May needs to know the names of the persons who will be controllers and evaluators for each jurisdiction.

Food at meetings The hotwash for controllers and evaluators and After Action Conference meetings will have barbeque food provided.

Fldigi training Jackson County ARES will have training on fldigi Tuesday, August 23 beginning at 7:00 pm. at the Central Jackson County Fire Protection District Training Center at 4715 West Highway 40 in Blue Springs, MO 64015-6666. In addition, there will be on-the-air digital training at 1930 local time on 147.015 (+) MHz. (PL 151.4 Hz.) Blue Springs repeater for the four Mondays in September. Any licensed amateur with digital equipment is encouraged to participate. Likely the repeater will cover a good part of the metro area.

MEMC Nothing new with the Metropolitan Emergency Managers Committee.

KCHEART Hams are needed to staff the amateur radio stations at Lee's Summit Medical Center and St. Luke's East – Lee's Summit. There have been power supply failures at least 4 hospitals. Under no or light current draw, the output voltage looks normal, but under normal load conditions, the output voltage sags significantly.

Websites Technical problems with the MECC website have been fixed.

FRS cache The Independence EOC has a cache of 100 FRS radios.

Public service events There are three events the weekend of September 17 – 18, The American Royal Parade, Bikers for Babies and MS Ride Kansas City, that will need ham volunteers.

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The meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Bellinger
Secretary