

# COAD GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

## MINUTES FOR MARCH 11, 2026

Date of Meeting: March 11, 2026

Time: 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Location: Jackson County Public Health

Hybrid on Webex

Featured Presenter:

Chief, Bob Ingram-Retired FDNY Battalion Chief over Hazmat, FDNY Hazardous Materials Operations Command, Lead for the rebuilding of the FDNY Hazardous Materials Operations Division, and Manager of the WMD Branch Office at the FDNY Center for Terrorism and Disaster Preparedness.

In-Person Attendance:

1. John Ezell
2. Gail Hodges
3. Carl Dahlquist
4. Maddy Langemach
5. Grace Wineinger
6. Dante Gliniecki

On-Line Attendance

7. Carter Goetz
8. Connie Ferro
9. Kristin Slocum
10. John Boling
11. Eric Winebrenner
12. Tracie Smith

13. Bary Kramer
14. Maddy Langemach
15. Amanda Prough
16. Olivia Malay
17. Kristen Engelbrecht
18. Carl Hopkins
19. Reuben Samuels
20. John Callahan
21. Stephanie Norton
22. Emma Boyd
23. Shari Sims
24. Suzanne Smith
25. John Ezell
26. Seroja Schwager
27. Jen Vernon
28. Dante Gliniecki
29. Lorie Snyder
30. Sue Johnson
31. Loretta Bonds
32. Bill Cooke
33. Jeff Huff
34. Katie Spears
35. JD VanWay
36. Greg Topping
37. Gloria Noble
38. Loretta Bonds
39. Jennifer L'Heureux
40. Cindy Naber
41. Sarah Newell
42. Zac Lay
43. D. Scott Penman
44. Greg Topping
45. William Hawkins
46. Steven Robinette
47. Shannon Maloney
48. Scott Burdin

### Meeting Procession

- A call to order was had at 1:35 p.m.
- Welcome and attendance with brief introductions occurred
- Minutes were distributed, vote taken, and adopted w/o changes. John Callahan motioned to accept, and William Hawkins seconded the motion.
- The focus this month was on a general overview of safety at mass scale events.
- The following individual committee report-outs occurred:
  - Long-Term Recovery  
Chair, Greg Topping provided his update which was as follows: Working on building a larger group of Church volunteers who will go through training for ARC sheltering, CIT, and Team Shepherd training. Ongoing mission analyses of capacity gaps and how best to respond. Ongoing recruitment efforts, Participating in FIFA planning and building their

meeting schedule. Greg has set a monthly meeting on the 2nd Tuesday at 2pm, every month if possible.

- Mass Care (including Health and Medical)

Chairs, John Ezell and Emma Boyd. The following report out was given:

Current business:

1. Both committees have been combined and met previously on Tuesday, 02/19
  - a. Presentation from Heart to Heart International – Maddy Langemach
  - b. Biweekly World Cup Planning with SEMA Mass Care
    - i. Considering creating a GIS shelter location tracker for WC Mass Care efforts
    - ii. Organizing WebEOC training – Gloria Brandenburg (SEMA)
    - iii. COAD Posture
2. Mass Feeding Subcommittee – Steven Robinnette
3. Sheltering Subcommittee – Emma Boyd
  - a. Upcoming Red Cross Shelter Training
4. Clinical Support Subcommittee – Carter Goetz (MRC)
  - a. Medical Reserve Corps - Main POC for clinical/healthcare organizations looking to volunteer: [your.mrcgkc@gmail.com](mailto:your.mrcgkc@gmail.com)
5. Donations Management Efforts
  - a. Approaching chambers of commerce for Mass Care needs
  - b. Created donations management form and PowerPoint for outreach
6. Now hosting regular monthly meetings until World Cup Concludes
7. Finalizing a COAD Multi Agency Resource Center (MARC) Quick Guide Document

Training:

1. KC Health Department - 2 participants needed. This exercise will be a drill/tabletop from 9am to 1pm March 16th. No prior experience necessary. For inquiries email [Tobias.Liu@kcmo.org](mailto:Tobias.Liu@kcmo.org)
2. American Red Cross –
  - a. March 9th, 2026, St. Joseph, MO, Shelter Fundamentals and Simulation  
Register: [Shelter Fundamentals and Simulation - St. Joseph March 9th \(or Chillicothe March 12th\) REGISTER](#)
  - b. March 18th, 2026, Kansas City MO - American Red Cross Office, Shelter Service Associate in a Day (this training is for folks wanting to become fully background checked and engaged Red Cross volunteers), To register or for questions: contact [richard.fretwell2@redcross.org](mailto:richard.fretwell2@redcross.org)
  - c. May 2nd, 2026, Kansas City, MO, Shelter Fundamentals and Simulation  
SAVE THE DATE
3. CDRN s Bistate Community-Based Organizations Exercise - Operation Heat Shield
  - a. Free virtual exercise Tuesday, April 14, 8:30am-12pm
  - b. Register at [2026 CDRN Virtual Exercise Operation Heat Shield - Event Registration](#)

Next Committee Meeting: Thursday, March 19th, 1pm (Virtual)

- Behavioral Health

Chairs, Bary Kramer and Laurie Cox. They continue to meet every other month and focus on Disaster Mental Health. Bary continues to acquire documents pertaining to

behavioral health in disasters for the resource library. There is discussion about behavioral health in relationship to FIFA WC. Ongoing access to mental health services is a primary focus.

- Planning, Training, and Exercise Operations

Chairs, Dan Reece and JD VanWay. Dan discussed the upcoming KCR COAD Avengers Assemble that is set for April 30th. The MARC Quick Start Guide will be exercised.

Donations Management

Chair, Karen Whitson and Chair of Financial Management is Todd Jordan. They continue to stand ready to assist when needed and remain on-call in the event of a disaster or emergency. Draft presentation about donations management from KCR COAD for chambers of commerce is a prominent project that the team has been working on. Karen has been active in reaching out to Chambers of Commerce. Karen showed a detailed slide with information.

- Volunteer Management

Jennifer L'Heureux, Chair. We continue efforts to develop protocols pertaining to disaster preparedness, response, and recovery. We are serving as a connector between various partners and the FIFA WC Planning Commission. We meet the third Friday of each month. Thought is being given to where volunteers could stay when FIFA begins if they do not wish to try to navigate coming and going. We donated a large amount of sunscreen to the MRC.

- Children in Disasters

Jennifer L'Heureux, Chair. We meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at 9. We were in the Independence Schools to speak about children's needs in disasters. We are connected to the local CMHCs to ensure services continue during FIFA. We gave a presentation to the MO ECHO pertaining to childcare and educator's roles in attending to the unique needs of children in disasters. The CID piece of things that was with the SOC, is now fully integrated into the COAD CID Committee. We are working with local CMHCs to ensure the needs of children are met during FIFA.

AFN or Access and Functional Needs

Jennifer L'Heureux, Chair. We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 9. We spoke in February to a group of seniors in Independence about disaster preparedness through our SPICE component. We continue to be a part of other AFN groups by attending their meetings to show support and share knowledge and resources. Further, we are syncing efforts with providers of AFN related services and working to communicate critical information to EM's to assist with information about AFN needs in the respective communities. We are continuing to look at how large entities such as the National Guard and others may play a role in transportation for people with AFN. Our AFN has continued to participate with FIFA WC planning to ensure human rights are protected for people with AFN. We are a part of the Partnership for Disaster Inclusive Strategies. We were prior asked by the Hagerty Consulting-Preparedness Division to consult with them as a part of a development called the St. Louis Regional AFN Project.

Additional Items

- I (Jennifer) will be speaking on behalf of the COAD at the MEMC and met with Dan Manley and Erin Lynch, prior.

- A membership slide with QR codes was put together that links people to the COAD application and site.
- The flyer for Operation Heat Shield is on the COAD's website.
- MRP discussion
- Discussed the May and July meetings.
- Our next meeting is on 5-13-26 @ 1:30.
- Meeting was adjourned at precisely 3:00 p.m. and recording stopped.