

COAD GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MINUTES FOR MAY 13, 2026

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MEETING MINUTES FOR MAY WERE NOT VOTED ON IN THE MODIFIED JULY MEETING BECAUSE OF FIFA. THEY WILL BE VOTED ON AND CHANGES (IF NEEDED) MADE AFTER A FULL VOTE IN SEPTEMBER. THESE MAY MINUTES HAVE NOT YET BEEN FINALIZED.

Date of Meeting: May 13, 2026

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

Location: Jackson County Public Health

Hybrid on Webex

Featured Presenter: Jonathan Kurtz, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, NWS

Mr. Kurtz discussed severe weather hazards and providing critical information about tools and services available from the NWS to help ensure the safety of all. This was further done within the context of large scale events like the upcoming FIFA WC 2026.

In-Person Attendance:

1. John Ezell
2. Dan Reece

On-Line Attendance

3. John Boling
4. Loretta Bonds
5. Richard Brummitt
6. Kristen Engelbrecht
7. Bob Potemski

8. Dante Gliniecki
9. Libbey Tucker
10. Carl Hopkins
11. Breanne Wasinger
12. Jon Kurtz
13. Kristen Yates
14. Randy Hartmann
15. Kevin Hardy
16. Todd Jordan
17. Heather Korth
18. Derek Olcott
19. Jennifer Vernon
20. Jennifer L'Heureux
21. "Shannon"
22. Richard Fretwell
23. Jeff Hirst
24. Hollie Tapley
25. Lorie Snyder
26. William Hawkins
27. Cindy Naber
28. Tracie Smith
29. Call-in User _ 1
30. Scott Burdin
31. Dorinda Nicholson
32. Greg Topping

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 Ezell motioned to accept, and Lorie Snyder seconded the motion.
- The focus this month was on a severe weather preparations especially as they pertain to large scale events such as the upcoming FIFA WC 2026.
- The following individual committee report-outs occurred:

- Long-Term Recovery

Chair, Greg Topping provided his update which was as follows: Greg participated in the COAD's Avengers Exercise. He further participated in the near activation in response to the Belton tornado. United in Crisis lead by Greg was instrumental in assessing needs in Belton and responding to needs. 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:

John created a QR code that has been added to the COAD's website to assist people interested in joining the COAD.

1. Both committees were invited to the COAD annual Avenger's Assemble table top exercise on Tuesday, 04/30 in lieu of our standing monthly meeting
 - a. Quick thanks to those who participated
 - b. Now up to 13 Mission Ready Packages
2. Biweekly World Cup Planning with SEMA Mass Care
 - a. COAD Posture
3. Mass Feeding Subcommittee – Steven Robinnette
3. Sheltering Subcommittee – Emma Boyd
 - a. New oncoming Mass Care Co Chair – Derek Olcott
4. Clinical Support Subcommittee – Carter Goetz (MRC)
 - a. [Medical Reserve Corps](#) - Main POC for clinical/healthcare organizations looking to volunteer: your.mrcgkc@gmail.com

New Mass Care document:

- a. COAD Multi Agency Resource Center (MARC) Quick Guide Document
- b. MARC Flyer

Training:

1. WebEOC Training - Tuesday, May 19th from 1pm-3:30pm at Jackson County Public Health
 - a. Need: Each participant will need a WebEOC account and a laptop (or something to access the internet). Attached is the form to request an account. Fill it out and send it to the email listed on the form.
 - b. A WebEx meeting to access the training virtually will be sent out closer to the date. In person attendance is highly encouraged.
 - c. Register here for details:
<https://sematraining.com/courses/3411/offerings/17610>

Next Committee Meeting: TBD

- Behavioral Health
Chairs, Bary Kramer and Laurie Cox. They continue to meet every other month and focus on Disaster Mental Health. This committee has participated in the COAD's Avenger's Exercise, developed a DBH one pager with contacts to share with EOC partners, and they have added a link to the PFA app to the COAD's website.
- Planning, Training, and Exercise Operations
Chairs, Dan Reece and JD VanWay.

Dan reported:

1. Discussed the COAD's Avenger's exercise in detail that recently occurred.

2. Updates to the Membership Guide
3. Updates to Donations Guide
4. Reported on updates to the MARC Quick Start Guide
5. Discussed the 2017 Red Cross document that is quite comprehensive.
6. Discussed the Code of Ethics.

Dan is retiring from his COAD duties as he now lives in Texas. There was a small going away recognition for Dan to honor his incredible work with the COAD. The search is on for a new Chair of the Planning committee.

Donations Management

Chair, Karen Whitson and Chair of Financial Management is Todd Jordan.

It was reported:

1. They continue to connect with Chambers of Commerce.
2. Stand ready to assist when needed.
3. Karen provided clarification for disasters affecting 100 or more people, activation of donations management-request must go through Adventist Community Services for material goods. Once approved, ACS Leadership would support the KC team to set up a multi-agency warehouse.
4. Has met with United Way
5. Involved with Synergy and other organizations to combat sex trafficking at events.

- Volunteer Management

Jennifer L'Heureux, Chair. We meet the 3rd Friday of each month. The following was reported:

We are designing a recruitment campaign to recruit a diverse range of volunteers to build out our response capacity.

Focus is on skills-based matching of volunteers.

Used Track it Forward to track volunteer hours for the Belton tornado response.

- Children in Disasters

Jennifer L'Heureux, Chair. We meet the 4th Monday of each month at 9. The following was reported:

Partnered with local CCBHOs to ensure the mental health needs of children continue to be met during FIFA.

Focus is on interagency coordination which aligns with the COAD's strategic plan to bring human service providers together more often with emergency planners. We are doing this to strengthen collaboration between entities to ensure resources are allocated efficiently and effectively to meet the needs of children.

AFN or Access and Functional Needs

Jennifer L'Heureux, Chair. We meet the 2nd Friday of each month at 9. The following was reported:

We did not meet this month because of vacation.

We continue to attend the National Stakeholders calls for the Partnership for Disaster Inclusive Strategies.

We have started a large scale project involving developing an interactive local resource map to identify gaps in supportive services and create directories locally for durable medical equipment, supplies, and other critically needed items during a disaster including transportation needs.

Additional Items

- Aly Breeze is the COAD Treasurer and the balance in our account remains at: \$9,908.93. She is filing our form 990 which is due on May 15th.
- The COAD is planning next year's exercise and we are open to ideas and suggestions.
- Our next meeting is on 7-8-26 @ 1:30. This will be a modified and virtual only meeting because of FIFA. So many partners will be busy with FIFA that we are instead going to use our meeting as a huddle type call to backfill any needs and to increase situational awareness about any needs that have evolved.
- Dan Reece was formally thanked for his incredible expertise and many years of service to the COAD.
- Meeting was adjourned at precisely 3:00 p.m. and recording stopped.