David Koscuk opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Those present introduced themselves.

The minutes of March had been distributed prior to this meeting.

**Mr. Huleatt reported on local Public Health:** Had good local participation in the regional Ebola exercise. The Statewide MCM exercise is scheduled for next week. Mr. Huleatt reported out on Zika and stated that congress is not funding a response. CDC cut $55m from the PHEP program. We do not yet know what Connecticut’s portion of that will be, do not anticipate seeing those dollars coming back into the state. A reminder of the Public Health section meeting on Friday.

Dave Koscuk asked for an update on the Project Public Health Ready (PPHR) re-recognition. Steve provided an overview of the PPHR program which is an accreditation program administered by NACCHO. It is conducted by blind peer review. CREPC did it in and received accreditation for 5 years. Following the CT DPH and the other regions did it. Now there is concern and rumor that they may not recognize regional entities. More to come.

**Mr. Desanti reported on Long Term Care via written report to the chair:** The LTC section has completed the transition to the RCC for their Coordination Center activities. There will be an orientation on March 16, 2016. There are some anticipated activation plan changes coming statewide.

**Mr. Spencer reported on EMS:** Ralf Coler has been hired as the DPH OEMS Manager, to begin this month.

**Mr. Wentworth reported on Hospitals:** Had some questions pertaining to the DECON Trailer program. Mr. Centrella provided an overview of that program/plan.

**Mr. Centrella reported on MMRS:** Completed the Ebola functional exercise, AAR is in process. The AAR conference is presently scheduled for 4/27, we anticipate that will be pushed back. Money for Full Scale is being pushed back until 2017, which is a good thing. Working on school safety programs/exercises for both the town of Farmington and Vernon.

**Ms. McCormack reported on the Medical Reserve Corps:** Eight (8) challenge awards were submitted by MRC’s in the state to NACCHO 7/8 were funded at $15,000 each. They are meeting with their Pharmacy section to determine how best to grow and sustain that capability.

**DPH Report:**

No Report
DEMHS Report:

No report, Dave Koscuk advised that Tom G has retired from state service effective April 1, 2016. We thank him for his years of service and support of this region.

Other Business:

Dave Koscuk reported on the strategic plan process. Section leadership should anticipate meetings over the next month or two to finish this up.

The Meeting Adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 4, 2016.

Submitted:

[Signature]

David Koscuk
Chair
Region 3 ESF-8
April 6, 2016
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