



REM Meeting Minutes

August 4th, 2023

9:00AM-9:30AM: In Person Networking

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❖ Welcome and Introductions

- Samantha Pickett, REM Chair

❖ Presentations

- **Good360** - Damian Morales, Director of Disaster Recovery
 - Good360 works to more donated goods where they can do the most good, to close the need gap to open opportunity for all.
 - Good360 can assist with disaster recovery efforts with an emphasis on long-term recovery. More information about specific services they can provided listed on slide 5.
 - Good360 leverages private and non-profit partnerships they have to assist pre-staging efforts. For example: During Hurricane Ian they leveraged their partnership with Amazon to obtain warehouse spaces and leveraged NPOs to manage the donation hub.
 - Good360 can solicit goods that match hazard vulnerabilities, and socio-demographics of the community.
- **NWS Chat 2.0** - Jennifer Dunn, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, NWS FWD
 - Link to get to the NWS Slack Workspace: nwschatws.slack.com
 - Can use NWSChat 2.0 in multiple ways and can be logged in simultaneously in multiple platforms (mobile app, desktop app, website)
 - NWS Chat 1.0 is no longer the primary method of communication. The web page of 1.0 will soon redirect you to the workspace for NWS Slack.
 - Training videos and informational slides are pinned to the #wfo-fort-worth-tx channel
 - Primary channels:
 - #wfo-fort-worth-tx
 - #wfo-fort-worth-tx-datafeed
 - NWS and the FW branch have set policies. These are all mentioned in Jennifer's presentation in a red font.
 - With Slack, there is a multitude of settings you can alter to your own preference. A lot of these settings are mentioned in Jennifer's PowerPoint. Please look over the presentation to ensure you are optimizing your NWSChat 2.0!

❖ Discussion

- **RCPGP Supply Chain Project** - Joshua Tincopa, Senior EM Specialist, City of Dallas
 - Dallas applied and was granted the RCPGP grant in FY21.
 - Focused in identifying and addressing supply chain gaps specifically in the food, water, and shelter supply chains.
 - Draft of the gap analysis has been completed and is available for review.
 - There is currently a Core Planning Team and Stakeholder Meetings. If you are interested in being a part of either of these please email Josh.
 - Next phase is to develop a training and exercise program with a regional exercise in mind. This phase will require additional regional collaboration and coordination.

- ❖ REM Elections
 - Please send your nominations for secretary to Hannah Myers
 - We will be voting in October during our next meeting.
- ❖ Member Comments or Updates
 - NCTCOG Updates
 - Check the training dashboard on the NCTCOG website for available trainings in our region.
 - NWS Updates
 - Training webinars are still ongoing. You can find the link to register on the pinned message at the top of the #wfo-fort-worth-tx channel.
 - TDEM Updates
 - iStat & pStat training available. First training will be hosted in Dallas County on August 8.
 - There is PPE available for distribution. More information on making a request can be found via the SOC or your CLO.
 - If your County has a Burn Ban active, please ensure you have let the SOC know.
 - TEEMs Updates
 - First social will be Wednesday, September 6 at 6:30PM at the Grand Prairie Chicken n' Pickle
 - Anyone with 5/6 years or less of EM experience or in the region is able to join. EMC's can provide information to their interns for them to join as well.
 - If you are interested in TEEM, please complete the form below to be added to the communications group
 - <https://forms.office.com/g/sp9wHh5yhF>
- **Next Meeting:**
 - **Friday, October 6th - City of Coppel**