

# *Spartanburg County Volunteer Organizations Active in a Disaster*

**\*\* Minutes\*\*  
December 19, 2008**

The Spartanburg County VOAD convened at 10:00 am on Friday, December 19, 2008 at the American Red Cross.

Those present were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organizations</u>
Linda Burns	American Red Cross
Miriam Hart	MRC-DHEC Region II
Don Jones	Southern Baptist Disaster Relief
Kelly Stafford	American Red Cross
Robbie Swofford	Emergency Management/CERT
Marge Woodruff	ARC/CERT/Southern Baptist Disaster Relief

The following agenda items were addressed:

## **CALL TO ORDER – Robbie Swofford**

Robbie Swofford called the meeting to order at 10:10am.

## **CLARIFICATION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

VRC Funding: SCEMD offer all Country agencies the opportunity to write a Volunteer Reception Center plan in return for a \$5,000 grant award. One of the pieces of equipment required by the State was an ID making System. Therefore, these funds were spent on that system. However, please note that this is Phase I of this project. I would expect a Phase II to follow. If this occurs, I will let SCVOAD know. The SCEMD Award letter was emailed to those in attendance. Overall, the ID System cost \$5012.82 (tax and everything). Emergency Management assumed the remaining cost of the item

PanFlu Funds: Since the PanFlu initiative began, Emergency Management has received \$5,000 and \$17,000 for PanFlu planning. Information regarding the \$17,000 was emailed to those in attendance.. In regards to the \$5,000 from two years ago, \$3,524.31 is remaining. So far, we've purchased PanFlu Educational flyers for all the schools, Palmetto Sound Works (for PanFlu conference), Literature Display Rack, and those flyers for SCVOAD.

Regional VOAD Funding and Residual Funds: In regards to residual 2009 funds and Regional VOAD funding, neither Christy Caruso (DHEC), myself (SCOEM), nor Darlene Gathers (SCEMD) knew what Miriam Hart was referring to. However, Christy did offer additional funds for Pan Flu related initiatives if the County had them. The emails received from Christy and Darlene were emailed to those in attendance.

## **SCVOAD HOLIDAY EVENT:**

Those in attendance enjoyed playing the white elephant gift exchange game. Every left with really nice gifts.

## **CLOSING REMAKRS – ADJOURNED 11:30 AM**

Following the Christmas game, Mr. Swofford thanked everyone for coming. The next meeting is scheduled for February 20, 2008. The meeting will take place at the American Red Cross and will begin at 10:00am.

Respectfully Submitted,

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