



# TENNESSEE VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVE IN DISASTER

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## VOAD MINUTES FOR AUGUST 14, 1997

LOCATION: Cleveland - Bradley Co. Red Cross  
125 Inman St.  
Cleveland, TN 37320-2314

### MEMBERS PRESENT:

ARC - Heather Freeman, John England, Chris Jungerman, Joan Lange, Becky Szymcik  
ACS - Henry Beaulieu, Terry Haight, Ed Kier, Jane Nixon, Richard Ramey  
TBA - Tim Bearden  
UMCOR - Tom Rascoe  
SHFB - Christine Lopez  
TEMA - Bill Cooper, Cecil Whaley  
TEMA EAST - Russell Newman, Richard Taylor  
Hamilton Co. Emergency Services - Bruce Garner, Wayne Stuntz  
The Volunteer Center of Chattanooga - Pat Eaker  
SETVOAD - Steve Thomas  
Cleveland FD - Bill Griffith  
Cleveland JCs - Michael Woodman

Call to Order: 10:15

Minutes: Read and accepted by vote.

### Program:

Presented by Russell Newman, Regional Director of TEMA East, Mr. Newman informed us that East Tennessee has half the population of the State, therefore giving TEMA East a large proportion of responsibility for disaster response. Responsibilities include nuclear accidents response for Watts Bar and Sequoia Nuclear plants, plus Oak Ridge. Other responsibilities include earthquake response, acting as a staging area for goods coming into the state during a major disaster, assumption of command should the state TEMA office be disabled, operating radiological monitors for the nuclear plants under its jurisdiction, and offering training to fire, police, and other agencies (including VOAD agencies). Mr. Newman reports very good cooperation from private industry in disaster planning. Telephone access to TEMA East is: 1-800-533-7343. State TEMA Office: 1-800-262-3300.

### Other Business:

1. Proposal to open future meetings with prayer - accepted.
2. Red Cross Disaster College - Chris Jungerman reported that 175 people attended and received certificates. He said that they are looking at having the next college at Fall Creek Falls State Park.

3. TEMA - Bill Cooper and Cecil Whaley told that FEMA is doing away with their Train-The-Trainer courses, and that the states are being expected to foot the cost in the future. They said that TEMA will have to look at restructuring disaster response to reflect the lack of Federal funding. Bill Cooper announced that he is working on new disaster training. TEMA also proposed that videos be produced to solicit funds and educate the public through the media.

4. ACS Training: Richard Ramey announced a 5 day session of the SDA 5-Step disaster training to be held in Silver Springs, MD, September 11-15.

5. Membership Packet: Proposal to assemble a membership packet for new prospective members, that would contain information on VOAD, including by-laws, statement of purpose, Resource Directory, etc.

LUNCH: Provided by our hosts, the Cleveland - Bradley Co. Red Cross. Thank You!

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6. Resource Directory: Proposed to have a directory in a 3-ring binder in order to be able to update it more easily at a lower cost. It was also proposed to have the Resource Directory put on the TVOAD web-site.

7. Donations Management: Discussion centered around the necessity of educating the media and the public, collection of funds, "Donations Hot Line". A Donations Management Committee was appointed. - who?

8. Volunteer Legalities: Lawsuits resulting from volunteer work was discussed. Information about the Volunteer Protection Act, or the so-called "Good Samaritan Law" can be obtained by calling: (615) 259-3900 (ext. 31).

9. VOAD Conference: Voted to spend \$200 to help defray expenses for Richard Ramey and Tim Bearden to attend the conference.

10. Old Business: Discussion on Regional VOADs - tabled. By-laws: Accepted with minor changes. Mission Statement: accepted by vote. Promotional Items: Richard Ramey to look into these.

#### NEXT MEETING:

Where: Kentucky - Tennessee Conference of Seventh-day Adventist  
850 Conference Dr.  
Goodlettsville, TN 37072

When: November 13, 1997

Time: 10:00 - 3:00

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 Jane Nixon.....615-824-7990  
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TEMA:

Cecil Whaley.....615-741-0640  
 Bill Cooper.....615-741-0001 (ext 4298)

TEMA EAST:

Russell Newman.....1-800-538-7343  
 Richard D. Taylor.....423-339-1185

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Steve Thomas.....423-478-2059

CLEVELAND FD:

Bill Griffith, Chaplain.....423-476-5526

CLEVELAND JCs:

Michael Woodman.....423-472-9782

Richard -

Got your message last evening. One of my volunteers is attending the training session in Silver Spring, Md. & I asked him to confirm the dates on the November classes in Huntsville. I believe they will be held over the weekend, so wouldn't affect our VOND meeting. Will let you know as soon as I find out something.

Terry

