

Eastern Shore Emergency Medical Service Council
A sub-area council of the Tidewater EMS Council, Inc.

Minutes of Meeting held at Eastern Shore 911 Center
October 20, 2009

ATTENDANCE:

Representatives	Guests
Christina Justice, Station 2 (alt)	Randi Merritt (Sta 16)
Tonya Beasley, Station 5 (alt)	
James Bagwell, Station 6	
Shannon Lewis, Station 8	
Pam Taylor, Station 9 (alt)	
Amy Wilcox, Station 16	
Sharone Johnson, Station 18	OEMS
Terri Bochman, Station 19 (alt)	Wayne Berry
Woody Gaskins, ACDPS	
Maryann Fitchett, NCEMS	
Jeff Flournoy, At Large – Public (ESVA 911)	TEMS
Bonnie Enoch, SMH (ED Nurse)	Hollye Carpenter
Jennifer Barnes, SMH (At-Large)	Jay Porter

Minutes prepared by Hollye Carpenter

The meeting was called to order @ 1900 hours by President, J. Barnes.

IV Stat Lock Presentation

Bev Miscuna demonstrated the new IV Stat Locks and distributed several for show.

Hospital Issues

B. Enoch reported:

- The ED is currently having linen issues, which is affecting both the ED and EMS. Changes, per Riverside, are forth coming.
- IV box forms are looking good.
- The ED is in the process of developing protocols and hiring a Nurse Practitioner, a Physician Assistant and a MA to run a fast track.
- The paperwork process has begun with regards to hiring a Medical Director for the ED.

Minutes & Treasurer's Report

- The minutes of August 11th, 2009 were distributed. A motion was made by M. Fitchett, seconded by A. Wilcox to accept the minutes as distributed. Motion carried.
- H. Carpenter provided the account balances through 07/31/09 (Main ~ \$86,431.63, Petty Cash ~ \$1,170.42), with reports of bills/deposits provided for September & October 2009 (see attached). A motion was made by C. Justice, seconded by S. Lewis to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

ALS Training

- The Intermediate Course just finished up and there are 11 students continuing on to Paramedic. The EMS Council picked up the tab for the required Pharmacology Books.
- The need for an Enhanced class was discussed. A survey of interest will be done.
- We currently have 3 students attending an Intermediate Course in Portsmouth.
- J. Porter stated there were issues with the Intermediate program in Tidewater. He stated this Council should consider/discuss seeking accreditation. He stated there would be a December meeting to discuss this and simulation training.

BLS Training

- No announcement of a spring class has been made.
- R. Merritt has agreed to chair the BLS Committee, setting clear cut criteria for instructors to receive financial support from the Council for courses.
- All OEMS training funds have been exhausted. Any classes offered in the spring will have to be fully funded by the Council or done gratis.

Committee Reports

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- J. Barnes reported this committee (J. Barnes, W. Gaskins, T. Justis, & M. Fitchett) had met and will be adding Jennifer Bennett (Enhanced Provider). This committee will address equipment, training, transmission, Riverside support and transport decisions. Chesapeake currently has the best program going, with techs doing interpretation. The next meeting is scheduled for this coming Monday.

QA/QI

- The chest pain run reports were provided by all agencies in a timely manner.
- All chest pain calls will be pulled in the next go round to determine the number of STEMI's run. A future review of CPAP calls will be done.
- The TEMS region is also performing QA/QI on various types of calls.

Infection Control

- W. Berry will provide an updated list of DOs to H. Carpenter after agency inspections next month.
- Some agencies do have a fit test program on going, others do not. The TEMS Council is working on procuring test kits for agency use.

Old Business

- Panasonic Toughbooks should be here by the end of this month.
- A list of the new AV and CPR Equipment was distributed (see attached). Almost all the equipment has been received. The AV equipment is available for sign out through H. Carpenter. The CPR equipment will be distributed soon.
- H. Carpenter provided a breakdown of training equipment and associated costs, requesting further direction on what to purchase. J. Bagwell stated he wanted to ensure there was adequate equipment for EMT courses. H. Carpenter stated we now have adequate storage for all EMS training equipment at the Northampton Middle School.

New Business

- Recently a group (J. Barnes, J. Flournoy, T. Justis, M. Fitchett, H. Carpenter, & W. Gaskins) met with Chris Cannon of Nightingale to discuss issues related to air ambulance transport. The following issues were discussed”
 - ❖ Requests for a specific air ambulance verses the closest available;
 - ❖ Distance, using reference points
 - ❖ Auto-launch options
- **An Air Ambulance Committee of T. Justis, W. Gaskins, J. Flournoy and M. Fitchett was appointed.**
- W. Berry reported:
 - ❖ Various masks have been released from the national stockpile to EMS agencies and other PPE is expected to be released soon.
 - ❖ The H1N1 vaccine is available. Contact the local hospital first, then the health department. This vaccine will be available at the Symposium.
 - ❖ There is a packet of info on H1N1 available on the OEMS website. It is widespread, in every state, and all agencies should have a contingency plan.
 - ❖ OEMS needs updated leadership changes, phone and email addresses from agencies as soon as possible.
 - ❖ All agencies need to go the OEMS and review the requirements for moving to the new electronic PPCR system (Image Trend). There are forms there which need to be completed by each agency.
 - ❖ Accomack County agencies will be inspected next week. Please fax in the agency application ASAP.
 - ❖ OEMS will not allow Saturday or Sunday agency inspections.
 - ❖ Grant requests are down; money has been taken to address budget shortfalls; ½ of the requests submitted will be funded; grants are reviewed by multiple committees/individuals (Program Rep, Transportation, Regional Council, FARC, OEMS Director).

Good & Welfare

The next meeting will be our annual dinner. C. Justice will see if The Marina Club, in Greenbackville, is available on December 1st.

RSAF Grant Review

ES-C01	Cape Charles RS	Type I Ambulance - International	50/50	\$ 117,500	\$ 117,500
ES-C02	Bloxom VFC	Type III Ambulance - Chevrolet	100/0	\$ 103,192	\$ -
ES-C03	Northampton County EMS	Type III Ambulance - Ford	80/20	\$ 119,084	\$ 29,771
		Motorola GM1250 w/dual head	80/20	\$ 905	\$ 226
		Laerdal Suction Unit	80/20	\$ 797	\$ 199
		AED Manual Defib w/12 lead	80/20	\$ 17,655	\$ 4,414
		Stryker Power Pro Stretcher	80/20	\$ 9,150	\$ 2,288
		Stryker Stair Pro Chair	80/20	\$ 1,926	\$ 482
		Med Radio	80/20	\$ 931	\$ 233

The meeting was adjourned @ 2030.

The next Eastern Shore EMS Council Meeting
will be held
December 1st, 2009
Tentatively @ The Marina Club, Greenbackville