

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  
April 15, 2008

**ATTENDANCE:**

<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Guests</b>
Christina Justice, Station 2 (alt)	Mick Sharpe
Pam Taylor, Station 9 (alt)	Angela Nock
Troy Justis, Station 10	Patty Drewer
Randi Merritt, Station 16 (alt)	Bryan Rush
Jennifer Barnes, SMH At-Large	
Bonnie Enoch, SMH	<b>TEMS</b>
	Hollye Carpenter

Minutes prepared by Hollye Carpenter

The meeting was called to order @ 1910 hours by President, Jennifer Barnes.

A motion was made by B. Rush, seconded by R. Merritt to accept the minutes of March 4, 2008, with an amended adjourn time of 2045. Motion carried.

H. Carpenter provided the treasurer's report. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

**ALS Training**

- PALS re-certification class to be held this Saturday at Melfa F/R.
- Kevin provided the following written report:
  - Basic Programs (EMT-E, EMT-I, EMT-P)
    - No courses slated for the Eastern Shore at present
    - EMT-Enhanced may be revisited if sufficient enrollment numbers exist
  - ALS Continuing Education
    - Current program will be renewed for 2008-2009, course approvals submitted to OEMS, no significant changes expected, new schedule to be posted by May 15<sup>th</sup>
  - ALS Skills Stations
    - (2) Upcoming sessions (April 29<sup>th</sup> ~ Melfa, April 30<sup>th</sup> ~ Oak Hall)

**BLS TRAINING**

- Kevin provided the following written report:
  - EMT-Basic
    - Currently 1 course ongoing (Parksley)
    - Fall 2008
      - Chincoteague ~ Kevin Holloway ~ Begins August 3<sup>rd</sup> (Sunday/Tuesday), course approval request sent to OEMS
      - Melfa ~ TBA

- BLS Continuing Education
  - Current program has shown sufficient attendance to continue for 2008-2009
  - Course approval requests submitted to OEMS, new schedule to be published by May 15<sup>th</sup>
    - Each Cat. 1 topic to be offered twice annually, sites will continue to rotate (Oak Hall, Parksley, Melfa, Machipongo)

## **HOSPITAL ISSUES**

- B. Enoch stated there had been an improvement in the completion of IV Box restocking forms
- SMH is also working on the procurement of Easy IO in order to participate in EMS restocking.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **BLS**

- B. Rush reported committee met tonight prior to Council meeting.
- Committee consists of D. Chew, M. Sharpe, P. Drewer, R. Merritt, A. Wilcox and A. Parks.
- Working on: training plan to provide overlapping schedule, providing equal opportunity to all areas for training; oversight of programs for increase quality; need for OMD involvement in classes.

### **Mutual Aid**

- C. Justice provided a draft mutual aid agreement for review (see attached)
- Committee needs to meet prior to next Council meeting.

### **Infection Control**

- J. Barnes advised members had been contacted; however they have not met yet.

### **QA/QI**

- A sign-up sheet was passed around for agencies to provide a representative to this committee.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Bryan is still working on gathering info on C-Pap & 12 lead EKG procurement and transmission. It's possible the purchase of a large quantity of C-Pap machines could equal huge price break. J. Barnes suggested contact with Newport News, as they were using blue-tooth technology for transmission.
- Questions rose regarding the benefit of 12 lead EKG, where most of us do not transport directly to a cath lab. Early identification will allow SMH to prepare for thrombotic administration or air transport.
- J. Bagwell has done some research on the King Airway. The OMD for Portsmouth, an equipment salesman/representative and Nightingale have offered to provide demo/oversight and/or training. *H. Carpenter was asked to have Nightingale do a presentation at the next Council meeting.*
- There was no updated report on Intermediate training.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- J. Barnes asked the status of training equipment. Discussion revolved around the potential need for adult and pediatric airway manikins.
- J. Barnes also made representatives aware of an increased number of children on the shore with advanced airways and extensive medical needs. She would like to do a class in the very near future and will need some special needs manikins to teach about trakes, Pic Lines and possibly Easy IO.
- T. Justis made a motion, B. Rush seconded to budget \$25,000 towards the purchase of new training equipment.
- FYI: most agencies are carrying the “Nu Trake” kits for cricothyrotomy procedures.
- Kevin provided the following written report:
  - PRMC EMS Stroke Conference
    - Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:30-4:15, Wicomico Youth & Civic Center
    - Free Registration ~ Breakfast/Lunch provided
    - Have submitted for CE hours for Virginia providers (BLS & ALS)
  - AHA BLS Instructor Course
    - 11 new AHA instructors certified, 6 have already been released to teach on their own, other 5 will be shortly after initial course monitoring
    - Hope to meet with all AHA instructors to develop a schedule/plan for conducting CPR/First Aid/AED programs for the general public to strengthen the “Chain of Survival” on a local level

### **RSAF GRANT GRADING**

ES-C01 Bloxom VFC ~ (1) Complete Hurst Tool System  
 E2-C01 Eastern Shore EMS Council ~ (44) Vehicle Emitters

The meeting was adjourned @ 1955 hours.

<p>The next Eastern Shore EMS Council Meeting          will be held on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008 at 1900 hours          at the Eastern Shore of VA 911 Center in Accomac.</p>
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