

# ***Southwestern Regional Emergency Medical Services Council***

## ***Summary record of Meeting***

2/06/2013

Formal minutes of this meeting consist of a verbatim transcript of the proceeding which is accessible at the program agency's website [www.SouthernTierEMS.org](http://www.SouthernTierEMS.org). This Summary Record of Meeting is provided to assist the members of council in recollecting the salient aspects of the meeting should such be needed during future activities without having to undertake sorting through the volumes of transcript pages.

### **Call to order of Informational portion of meeting**

Tom Sampson called the meeting to order at 18:37 on 2/6/2013

### **Correspondence**

Letter of resignation received from Walt Reisner. Will bring up at official portion of meeting.

### **Chairman**

### **Vice Chairman**

### **Treasurer**

Report handed out

### **Secretary**

Minutes were emailed and handed out.

### **Past Chairman**

### **REMAC**

Working on draft proposal to track providers working under their region. Also working to notify other regions when providers lose privileges in one region.

### **SEMAC**

Dr. Walters report handed out.

### **SEMSCO**

Report emailed.  
Radios discussed  
Sandy Immobilization reviewed  
Any loss of records due to the storm must be reported.  
New ambulance specifications, delayed until 2015  
Proposed changes to article 30

### **NYS DOH**

Information already covered in previous reports

## **Membership**

## **STEMS**

Report presented and handed out.

## **Community Relations**

## **Education and Training**

Very successful PEPP class held

Spring Conference finalizing. Signup sheet for volunteers to work it going around.

NYS rescinded requirement that all Paramedic training programs be accredited. This opens the door for local Paramedic programs to be held. WCA hospital is working to restart their previous program.

Distance learning may not be needed from Arnot Ogden.

Discussion on the future of the AEMT-CC program. There is pressure from the State and REMAC to encourage all CC's to recert up to the Paramedic level. There is a lot of discussion on the future of CC's and the effects it could have on our area.

## **EMS Services**

Brockton-Portland still issues still being worked out.

Frewsburg FD operates in the Town of South Valley. They need South Valley added to their CON. Look for this at our next meeting.

Ron Hasson has been appointed Chairman of the Systems Committee or the State EMS council.

## **Legislative**

### **Allegany County**

### **Cattaraugus County**

Mike Bechelli retired effective as of January 30<sup>th</sup> 2013. Replacement in the works.

EMT Classes in Delevan, JCC

CFR Class at St Bonaventure

Working with School Districts on their safety plans.

### **Chautauqua County**

County reviewing and updating its Mass Casualty Plan.

New Communication van on the road. Testing it out.

## **Southwestern Regional EMS Council Minutes**

### **Official Meeting Call to Order**

Chairman Tom Sampson called the 2/6/2013 meeting of the SWREMS council to order at 19:06 with a quorum present. Attendance sheet on file.

### **Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Minutes of last meeting submitted

Motion to accept minutes made by B. Johnston, C. Baker. Carried

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer's report handed out.

Reissued check to Catt Co for CLIA license

Cancelled reimbursement checks for Vital Signs for applicants with incomplete paperwork.

Motion to accept made by W. Reisner. D. Conroe, Carried

## **Enforcement Notifications**

None

## **Old Business**

REMAC reps discussed

CISM class in Allegany Co. Dates discussed. Cost is \$165.00 per person plus mileage and logging for instructor. Open to 20-25 students. Fire, EMS, and Law Enforcement eligible. Allegany Co. currently has 10 to 15 interested. Discussion on CISM class.

Motion made to fund \$2100 to support class with the chairman having the ability to increase amount pending full class. Made by W.Reisner, K. Bushman, Carried

## **New Business**

Motion to give STEMS \$5,000 for expenses for the upcoming Spring Conference.

B. Johnston, M. Kohl carried.

Letter of resignation received from Walt Reisner

Motion to accept with regrets M. Forness, R. Hasson, Carried

Application for membership received from Todd Reisner along with a recommendation from the Catt. Co. EMS council. Motion to accept application B. Johnston, D. Marsh. Carried.

Alternates need to be submitted to the Chairman in writing.

REMAC has brought up a proposal to stop all original AEMT-CC courses as of a date to be set in 2014 and all AEMT-CC refreshers as of a date to be set in 2016. Donna Kahm reported that the Doctors want the regions to follow the National Standards. There is no AEMT-CC level in the National Standards.

Discussion on how this would affect our area, the availability of classes in each county, how it would affect current providers, how CC to Paramedic classes would work.

Motion made to send REMAC a letter to not set a solid date to end any of the AEMT-CC courses until our region (Allegany, Cattaraugus, and Chautauqua) has an acceptable CC to Paramedic program in place. D.Conroe, B. Johnston. Carried.

Motion made to allow Chairman to sign off on WCA Paramedic program when complete.

K.Bushman, M. Kohl. Carried.

REMAC is putting together a credentialing policy tracking yearly skills and providers that move between agencies. There will be a medical command authorization form and other information forthcoming.

Motion to send letter to the Arnot Ogden Paramedic program stating our regions intentions of starting our own Paramedic program and their services may not be needed. T. Reisner, M. Kohl, Carried

SEMAC has a proposal to require all ALS agencies to obtain controlled substance licenses, and carry controlled substances. Discussion on how this would affect our area.

Motion to appoint Todd Reisner as our regions REMAC representative to fill the vacancy created by Walt Reisners resignation. R. Hasson, P. Wilson, Carried.

Discussion on the future of Regional Councils and the upcoming State budget.

Motion made to send letter to our State Representatives urging them to maintain the current funding for regional councils. T. Reisner, D.Marsh. Carried.

**Next Meeting**

April 3, 2013 at the Hostageh at 1830

**Adjournment**

A motion to adjournment was called at 20:45 by M. Forness, M. Kohl. Carried.

Minutes submitted by: Ed Fredrickson