

Southwestern Regional Emergency Medical Services Council

Summary record of Meeting

10/03/2012

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. 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 18:36 on 10/3/2012

Correspondence

Ron Hasson approved for state council.

Chairman

Tom thanked all who helped Ron get approved.

Frewsburg CON to be discussed at December meeting

Vice Chairman

Treasurer

Report handed out

Secretary

Minutes were emailed and handed out.

Past Chairman

REMAC

SEMAC

SEMSCO

Meeting tomorrow

NYS DOH

Frewsburg, South Valley expansion at December meeting.

Membership

STEMS

Report presented and handed out.

Community Relations

Education and Training

Instructor update class went well, the feedback states instructors more comfortable updates after the training. There was a lot of good discussion.

A lot of instructors signed up for spring conference.

EMS Services

Legislative

No Report

Allegany County

Water safety training Oct 13-14

Cattaraugus County

Four EMT courses in progress

Two Flu Pod drills being planned. One in Olean and one in Little Valley

They are scheduled to be one day events, to test the mass immunization system.

They hope to have 200 participants.

Animal sheltering trailer arrived. CERT members are being trained. It is currently based in Olean.

Working with OGH on cath lab certification.

Chautauqua County

New command vehicle in service

Working on finding new medical directors to fill vacancies.

Drill at County Airport, some good things, some bad, will review.

County EMS council has concerns about Hospitals using contracted out Emergency Room doctors that are not trained to REMAC requirements, and are not familiar with the local EMS systems they are operating in. The committee has asked this council to ask REMAC to lighten up on some of the requirements to allow local MD's to become medical directors.

Retention Recruitment Grant being implemented.

Recruiters visiting High Schools

Local Fire Departments being highlighted in local newspapers

Recruiter training classes being held.

Southwestern Regional EMS Council Minutes

Official Meeting Call to Order

Chairman Tom Sampson called the 10/3/2012 meeting of the SWREMS council to order at 19:18 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, S.Kupkowski. Carried

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's report handed out

Starting Balance	13472.10
Deposits	10676.31
Payments	1921.52

Balance 22226.89

Motion to accept made by D. Conroe, M. Forness. Carried

Enforcement Notifications

None

Old Business

SEMAC Representative. Still looking

Meeting location. No action

Vital Signs Reimbursement- Reimbursement applications must be received by Nov 30th to be eligible

New Business

2013 Spring Conference. Motion made to continue with \$5000 dollar contribution from this council
Made by D. Conroe M. Kohl, Carried.

Ron Hasson requests that with state reimbursement being very slow, if the council would be willing to reimburse his state expenses and he would reimburse the council.
Motion to do so made by B. Johnston, S. Cobb, Carried

Looking for Alternate to the state EMS council.
Motion to solicit members of council and bring interested candidates to next meeting.
M. Bechelli, D. Imfeld, Carried

Allegany County looking to add more members to their CISM team.
After some discussion on courses and instructors available, a motion was made to have Allegany Co. setup a course to determine interest level, and possibly open it up to other agencies.
M. Bechelli, C. Baker, Carried.

Request from Chaut. County to ask REMAC to reduce the Medical Director requirements to allow Doctors from outside of the emergency departments to become medical directors. The current requirements have made it very difficult for agencies to find qualified Medical Directors. Reducing some of these restrictions would give agencies more options for finding a Medical Director and would allow local community minded Physicians the opportunity to help these squads.

Motion to send letter to REMAC requesting they reconsider their restriction on "Emergency Department only" doctors as Medical Directors and open the Medical Director positions up to other local doctors. Also have REMAC consider that Hospitals require local Medical Direction as part of the hospitals contract with the Emergency Physicians.
Made by D. Imfeld, M. Kohl, Carried.

Next Meeting

December 5, 2012 at the Hostageh at 1830

Adjournment

A motion to adjournment was called at 20:07 by B. Johnston. M. Kohl. Carried.
Minutes submitted by: Ed Fredrickson