

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL
SUMMARY RECORD OF MEETING
October 6, 2021**

The official portion webcast of the Southwestern Regional Emergency Medical Services Council meeting can be found on the SWREMS website at www.swrems.org

UNOFFICIAL PORTION OF MEETING

Roll Call - quorum

Correspondence – Nothing to report

Officers Reports

Chairman's Report

He is at work, if he needs to leave for a call, Mickey will run the meeting.

Vice Chairman Report – nothing to report

Treasurer Report - She is at work

Secretary Report – nothing to report

Past Chairman's Report – Unable to attend

Committee Reports

WREMAC

Todd reported meeting was pretty short.

SEMAC/SEMSCO

Meeting dates are Oct 19, Oct 20 both will be hybrid.

Department of Health

Ed Magers stated COVID is still real. He spoke of long term protocols, NYS DOH Vital Signs conference. How the EMS Memorial was a nice ceremony. Course sponsorship is up this year. Short form is required, Ed said it will be mailed out this month. Alicia received it and will forward a copy to those who need it. Doug brought up about an EMT and how he had to go through the training system again because he missed a deadline. Ed explained the situation and what happened and how it was resolved. Ed stated you must get your paperwork in the state before the 45 days deadline, this is important.

STEMS

Alicia sent out the report in an earlier email. She spoke of upcoming courses, STEMS conference was canceled.

Community Relations – Nothing to report

Education

Mickey spoke on the NYS DOH Vital signs conference and the VS Academy still going on.

EMS Services – nothing to report

Legislative

Todd asks if it ok to ask if they have the COVID vaccine, according to HIPAA.

Membership

Dan will have more under new business.

County Reports

Allegany – Jeff reported about EMT class; monitoring delays at Jones, Thanked OGH for their help during the delays.

Cattaraugus – Dr. Walters reported assisting with Ellicottville Fall Festival.

Chautauqua – They had 32 people in the EMT class. Spoke on delays at the hospitals. They supported vaccination clinics. They updated the by-laws more changes.

Dr. Walters spoke on stroke patients. Discussion took place on the best care for the patient.

There was much discussion on the delays and wait times when getting the patient to the hospital.

Call to Order of Formal Portion of Meeting

Call to Order

Roll Call – quorum present

Previous Meeting Minutes

Mickey Forness motion to approve minutes and Bill Johnston seconded motion passes.

Treasurer's Report

No activity since our last meeting. Todd Reisner makes motion to accept treasurer's report Paul Weaver seconds. Motion pass.

Enforcement Notifications

Tom, Chair read off the enforcement notifications.

Old Business

CON no updates.

Discussion took place on MURU app such as cost concerns, no benefits for anyone. Are the collaborative protocols kept up to date? No they are not. Ed will bring this up for discussion to the state.

Vital signs reimbursement for this year was discussed. Alicia read what we have in our policy in regards to this topic. Todd wanted Alicia to send out the exact words to everyone for them to have. PPA skills sheets on file with STEMS, county council approval and STEMS final approval. Motion passes.

New Business

Membership Dan spoke of Brad Pecherzewski who resigned. The letter was accepted and chair to send a Thank you letter out to this person

Renewals are as follows:

Allegheny: Jessica Gaines, Paul Weaver

Cattaraugus: Mickey Forness, Brad Pecherzewski

Chautauqua: William Johnston, Dan Imfeld

Todd brought up how stability is important and how we should respect each other during this time, work together.

Motion to adjourn by Bill Johnston and seconded by Doug Conroe. Motion passes.

Next meeting December 3rd, 2021