

Monroe Livingston Regional EMS Meeting
May 20, 2013
Meeting Minutes

Call to order – Mark Tornstrom

Chair Report – Mark Tornstrom

- Happy EMS Week
- Motion to approve the March minutes? Moved – Jason Second – Tim Frost. All in favor? Opposed? Motion passes.

Correspondence:

- None

Vice Chair Report – Tim Frost

- No Report

Secretary Report – Mark Philippy (Absent)

- No Report

Treasurer's Report – Reg Allen

- Surplus of funds
- About \$30,000 left in the Program Agency budget
- The main reason for this revolves around the change from Tracy to Ben and the budgeting for Tracy's salary is different than what has been budgeted for Ben
- Also, decisions were made to save money by Drs. Cushman & Shah when our funding was in question
- The University was very prudent in their thought processes re: the development of the jobs that helped Council and REMAC – we were preparing for the possibility that funding would dry up
- A few decisions have been made by the Finance Committee in order to spend down some of the funds
- Would like to prepay for our transcriptionists services
- Would like to keep the relationship with our web host for at least another three months, in order to maintain functionality of our current website
- Motion to use some funds toward the development of a new website
- This would include an RFP to local vendors and reviewing their responses
- Have allocated some expenses from our EMS Day in the Park Event to hit against this budget
- Because there is such an aggressive timeline in place for the RFP, we may need to have an affirmative vote re: the selection of the vendor and the amount to spend etc.
- Suggestion for Council to meet in June in order to review the responses and make a decision
- All expenditures must be made by June 30th
- We own the domain name MLREMS.org
- Based on discussion, we will amend the motion to (1) continue with Hatherall for now, until a new site is established and (2) authorize Exec and Bill Palma to review the responses to the RFP and authorize expenditures up to \$10,000 and (3) move \$10,000 from the salary line to the non-salary line since there is an excess in that line item right now
- Second. Any discussion? Opposed? Abstentions? All in favor? Motion passes.

Medical Director Report – Manish Shah, MD Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Still waiting on SEMAC dates to be announced before we move forward with a few of the new policies

Program Agency Report – Benjamin Sensenbach

- No State meetings have been announced yet
- Yesterday's EMS Week event was a huge success due to the work that Mark and George and several others put in
- Increasing number of CMEs that are being done on the MLREMS website – Excited Delirium is the most recent one to be added
- Quarterly report vouchers were sent to the State

NEG Report – Reg Allen

- Two policies re: background checks and financials were sent out for review

PIER Committee – Mark Tornstrom

- Thank you to everyone who came to our EMS Day in the Park event and helped out
- We were on the news
- Had between 150-200 people stop by throughout the day
- Variety of vehicles on display from Greece, Gates, RMMS, Monroe, and Honeoye Falls
- Several agencies donated different items – water, things for children etc.
- Karen Knauf of URMC came with a display on bike and helmet safety
- We had lots of kids activities and over 200 gift bags for children
- Awards were given out for the Skills Competition
- Also gave out our Regional Council Awards
- Everyone enjoyed the Skills Competition – ED nurses from RGH smoked the EMS folks
- We are making a special trophy for them
- Drs. Santiago, Rueckmann, Katsetos, & Thompson were there
- Overall costs were about \$2,500 for the entire event
- Special thanks to George Glessner for all of his help – much appreciated and Tim Frost and Mark Philippy
- Awards ceremony was well attended; presented the Dick Tripp Service Award to Dick's family – lots of tears

REMAC – Manish Shah, MD

- REMAC has created a Medical Director subcommittee that will consist of all the Medical Directors and will meet quarterly
- Would also like to create a TAG called, "Common Supply Source" which will discuss drug shortages and varying doses etc.

Systems Operations Committee – Tim Frost & Lee Coller

- Lee Coller is the new Chair of the Systems Ops Committee
- Our attorney of record was the attorney used for a recent transfer CON – this is an issue
- We have to get a fitness and competency review from the DOH and we haven't heard back from Steve Cohen
- Spoke to Dana Jonas at the DOH; has completed the fitness and competency review
- Received a Transfer CON from Union Hill FD to Union Hill Ambulance last month
- This was prepared by Brad Pinsky, which was an issue
- We had Steve Cohen take over, as he has worked with the Finger Lakes before
- We also contacted Harris Beach
- We met today via Go To Meeting and presented Steve's findings
- Present this as a seconded motion – Union Hill CON Transfer be approved pending the F&C from the State
- Any discussion? All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions?
- Systems will also look into the draft report forwarded by Tim Czapranski from the Mutual Aid TAG
- Looking at dividing it by battalion and coming up with a timeline for implementation
- Council does not have the authority to tell a county how to employ their resources

- This must be approved and implemented through your county coordinator's office and then ratified by the Regional Council
- Motion to forward to Systems Ops for further discussion; Second.
- Any discussion? All in favor? Opposed? Passes.
- Want to ensure that Council is working closely with our county coordinator counterparts
- System Ops is looking for some new members; if you're interested in joining, please email Lee

Training & Education Committee – Mark Tornstrom

- Several CIC candidates came forward for approval
- Have been notified by DOH that Council is no longer required to approve CLI or CIC candidates
- Approval will now be between sponsors and the DOH
- Training & Ed asks that our sponsors continue to forward their CLI and CIC candidate packets to us for review
- CIC Packet: Justin Schindler – his state certifying exam is on Thursday night
- CIC Packets: Steve Armstrong (also taking exam on Thursday) & Tracy DeMarse
- All three have been forwarded to the State for approval
- Going to send formal recommendations to the State re: the modification of the BLS NYS exam sheets for practical exams, in particular the AED cardiac arrest management which is conflicted with AHA recommendations

Livingston County Report – Karen Dewar

- No report

Monroe County Report – Tim Czapranski

- No report

State EMS Council – Tim Czapranski

- No report

Other News

Golf Tournament Cancelled

- Tournament scheduled for Friday, June 7th has been cancelled

Next meeting will be on July 15th at PSTF – meeting adjourned