

Monroe Livingston Regional EMS Meeting
January 20, 2014
Meeting Minutes

Call to order – Mark Tornstrom

Chair Report – Mark Tornstrom

- Need to approve the minutes from the special December meeting
- Motion, seconded by Dr. Shah. Discussion? Any opposed? Abstentions? Motion passes.

Correspondence:

- State Actions & resignation letter from Peter
- Everyone on the Council should be participating in a committee – please sign up for one
- You don't need to be a seated Council member to be on a committee
- Need interested parties to apply for leadership roles – NEG needs a chair
- Several people will soon be termed out – need new people to apply
- Executive Committee met with DPM on January 8th for a strategic planning exercise
- Discussed education and the website
- Article 30 changes will not be in the Executive Governor Budget this year
- Comptroller's office has not paid their contract bills to PES, the testing organization
 - As of April 1st there will be no available written certification exams
 - This is obviously a huge concern
 - Council wrote a letter since the State had no intention of issuing anything
 - This is not a DOH issue, but rather Office of the Comptroller – DPM staff have nothing to do with this and cannot help
- Motion for the Council to support this document and its distribution. Second. Discussion? All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? Motion passes.
- Additional motion for Mark to write a call to action-type letter directed toward our elected officials re: this issue. Second. Discussion? All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? Motion passes.

Vice Chair Report – Tim Frost

- No Report

Secretary Report – Mark Philippy

- Will send out a letter affirming representatives to appointed seats
- Attendance Issue: Mark P. has missed three meetings – may need to enter into Executive Session to decide whether or not Secretary can continue due to by-laws

Treasurer's Report – Reg Allen

- The MLREMS (Council) budget will renew on April 1st
- Program Agency budget will renew on July 1st
- MLREMS will have about \$3,700 in additional funds
- Program Agency will have about \$20,000 based on preliminary calculations
- Need to discuss how we are going to utilize the funds: website enhancements, Just Culture Training, EMS Week, standardized approach to cardiac arrest training
- Move for Council to appropriate no greater than \$2,000 to pay for the CIU and CIC updated provided earlier in the year
 - Motion by Dr. Cushman, second by Julie Jordan. Discussion? All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? Motion passes.

Medical Director Report – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Office has been very busy with a number of educational initiatives: Smoke Inhalation, Cyanide Training, Advanced Directive for Determination of Death & Termination of Resuscitation
- Training has been distributed to all regional Medical Directors
- Norepinephrine podcast undergoing final edits and should be launched with website in February
- 2014 Protocol update will be posted to new website
- Rescinded the therapeutic hypothermia protocol
- RSI program has a working group going, which includes Dr. Ostrovsky & David from DPM

Program Agency Report – Benjamin Sensenbach

- Please confirm your e-mail address on the sign-in sheet, as we are updating our DLs
- Please continue to send correspondence to mlrems@mlrems.org
- Website will be up and running soon – aiming for February launch

Systems Ops Committee Report – Lee Coller

- Received transfer CON for the Gates-Spencerport merger
 - Has been sent to Brad Pinsky for review
 - No need for a public hearing, as this is a transfer

Training & Education Committee Report – Mark Tornstrom

- Discussed the letter being sent out in regards to the lack of written tests

PIER Committee Report – Mark Tornstrom

- We have a new regional award – Dick Tripp Community Service Recognition Award
 - There are people out there that meet the criteria
 - Will resend the awards packet
 - All nominations need to be back by March
- Need help with EMS Week
- Sunday, May 18th – could be a kickoff event for all of EMS Week
- Motion to hold the event on May 18th at Genesee Valley Park. Second – Julie Jordan.

NEG Report – Reg Allen

- Will post open positions to the new website
- Election will be in March

Executive Committee Report – Mark Tornstrom

- Executive Committee meets monthly
- Comprised of our officers, county representatives, and committee chairs
- Major objective was to make sure deliverables were being met

Livingston County Report – Karen Dewar

- No report

Monroe County Report – Tim Czapranski

- No report

State EMS Council – Tim Czapranski

- Tim's seat needs to be reassigned
 - Spoke to State reps while at the meetings – claim they never received our correspondence
 - Will resubmit Jason Bortle and Mark Philippy as our reps
- Dr. Cushman was approached by Bureau staff re: the Vital Signs Conference which will be held at the Riverside Convention Center here in Rochester in October
 - See this as an opportunity to showcase what this system has done that's better than others

- Please contact me with ideas as to educational sessions or how we can highlight some of our resources or personnel
- Reimbursement Issue – both our physician rep to SEMAC and State rep have not been reimbursed for their travel requirements to meetings in Albany
- Our actual representatives should be reimbursed for this travel
- Asking for motion for Council to pay or for Council to get reimbursed for these expenses. Receipts should go to Reg. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? Dr. Cushman abstains.

Motion to enter into Executive Session to address attendance issue. Motion, Julie Jordan; Second, Dr. Murray.

Results of Executive Session: Council accepted information from Mark Philippy to remain as a full member of the Council with voting rights.

Motion to adjourn. Second? All in favor? Next meeting will be in March.