

**NORTHERN VIRGINIA EMS COUNCIL
BOARD MEETING
February 9, 2017**

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Council President Brian Hricik welcomed all in attendance. The meeting was called to order. Minutes from the December meeting were sent with the Board mailing. Todd Lupton motioned to approve the minutes, the motion was approved unanimously, and the minutes were approved by a unanimous vote. Anne Marsh is out of town. The December Financials were included in the Board mailing, and the January's report was sent last evening by e-mail. A motion was made to approve the reports as received. The motion was approved and the reports were approved, both by a unanimous vote.

President Report

Brian Hricik reported that the first month has been very busy working with the NOVA Fire Chiefs regarding all the action items in the Performance Audit. A big "Thank you" goes out to Chief McGee from Prince William County for all his help, especially with developing a focus area for the draft MOU between the two groups. He hopes by March will have a final MOU draft.

He has asked one of the NOVA Chiefs to become the At-Large Member on the Executive Committee and has offered that position to Battalion Chief Reshetar, Arlington Fire Department. Chief Reshetar will remain in that position until Chief Bonzano is back to full capacity and is ready to step into the role.

The Executive Committee will begin the FY18 Budget process on February 15th. They hope to have a draft budget for Board consideration by our April meeting. This will allow the Board to approve, or if anything needs to be addressed, it can be tabled until the June meeting.

The hiring process for the Executive Director position is continuing. To date we have received 9 candidates. A resume review team offered 4 qualified candidates to be brought forth to the interview process. Those interviews will be conducted next week.

In March the Inova Hospitals are hosting an EMS Appreciation Event at Redskin Park in the "bubble." This will be a flag football tournament where local EMS crews are invited to the Ashburn facility. This will be a two day event. The first date will be focused around Loudoun and Fair Oaks Hospitals and the crews that routinely utilize those hospitals. The second date will be focused around Alexandria, Fairfax and Mt. Vernon Hospitals and EMS crews who utilize those facilities. Final dates and a flyer will be sent out shortly when finalized.

Brian shared that Alexandria has a Healthcare Coalition that has been collaborating with stakeholders for about 7 years. They recently received an update from Virginia 211 and that resource is currently available. Brian has some of their handouts and we can bring them here for an informational session if the Board feels it would be beneficial.

AHA's Mission Lifeline for EMS Agency data is now open for reporting 2016 data. The direct link is here http://www.heart.org/HEARTORG/Professional/MissionLifelineHomePage/Recognition/Mission-Lifeline-EMS-Recognition_UCM_308047_Article.jsp#.WJor-m8rJhE

Remember that the NAEMT EMS on the Hill Day is scheduled for April 25th and those who wish to participate must be registered by March 22nd. More information is on the NAEMT website. Despite the Commonwealth being so close to the District, Virginia remains one of the states with the least participation.

Executive Director's Report

Marcia Pescitani reported we have received our signed contract to extend our agreement with OEMS through to the end of FY17. There were some additional contract modifications with this version that will require additional tasks by the office staff, primarily an expanded relationship with local Emergency Management offices and local Health Departments.

She attended the first of several Town Halls that was held in Short Pump on Feb. 2. These events are scheduled across the state in an effort to get feedback on the future of the EMT Intermediate program. We have one scheduled in our region at the City of Manassas Fire Department on March 14 from 10:00 am to noon. Please try to attend, especially if the continuation of the Intermediate level is an issue for your agency. There is a public comment portion of the meeting if anyone is interested in speaking. You must sign up to speak prior to the meeting's start. There will also be an on-line forum for comments before the comment period is completed.

She also attended a meeting of the Regional Directors on Feb. 2 at Short Pump which included training on Fiscal and Fiduciary Management. All OEMS meetings will be at this location for CY 2017.

The NVERS Medication and Pharmaceutical meeting scheduled for Feb. 6 was cancelled because that committee has no chair at this time.

The Commissioner of Health's office has asked OEMS to use EMS providers to conduct vaccination programs in 2017. If any of our EMS agencies is interested or can help your local health department with these clinics, please contact Karen Owens at OEMS. To assist, the personnel must first attend an extensive on-line VDH training session on vaccination administration.

OEMS is in the process of rolling out a program whereby each "County" in our region will be eligible to receive monies as reimbursement for CE programs within their EMS agencies. The program was supposed to be rolled out on January 1, but there has been a delay. As soon as it is announced, the Council will be able to administer these funds and move funds out to our regional agencies.

The Council had been working to write a grant to receive a new copy machine since ours is now considered an "aged device". We were advised by OEMS while in Short Pump to not submit a grant request since those items are no longer eligible. Marcia is looking at other options for that machine. Our current copier is owned by the Council and is so old that repairs and maintenance is soon to be discontinued by the company due to unavailability of parts.

The information on the Governor's EMS Awards program has been sent to all Board members as well as those on the Council List Serve. The forms and the categories are the same as last year. Please submit!! The deadline for the NV award nominations is May 8. A Committee will then review the nominations to determine the winners. Winners will be celebrated at our awards ceremony immediately after our Board meeting on June 8.

Information on the current RSAF Grant Cycle has also been sent to all on the Board. There are quite a few changes for this cycle so please read the information that was sent out. The grading system has been revamped and will look at the return-to-locality monies and how they are being used. There are several additional factors that will be evaluated and will be used to determine an additional "grade" to be factored into the final ranking by FARC. The Council staff is always happy to review your grant requests prior to submission and to assist you in writing grants.

All correspondence from our office is now required (by contract) to include a Customer Satisfaction Survey. This survey is being conducted by OEMS and they have promised feedback as it is available. Please let us know how we are doing!

There are a couple documents that need approval at this meeting. The COOP has been rewritten to include a couple of corrections from previous editions. The Accounting and Financial Policy has been developed and the Executive Committee has passed it to the Board for final approval. This is a new policy. Our Annual Report and final draft audit also need approval.

One Council has found an increase in the reported number of "broken" vials and containers of meds in the drug boxes. After these incidents were investigated forensically, it has been determined from a residue left in the broken vials that they had been refilled with water, not the actual medication that was in the vial originally.

The Regional Council Director's Group dues will be reduced from \$1000 per year to \$850.

We have assembled and made ready the Board Director's Manuals. We will be distributing them as we are able to new members after we have been advised of changes to a member agency's voting assignments. We hope to be able to share an electronic copy with current Board members.

Our continued appreciation to Chief McGee from Prince William Co. Fire and Rescue. They have provided staff for us since early December. We are still one position short and we are so grateful for the assistance. At present, we are in between "loaners" and are excited in anticipation for another arrival.

We will be holding three EMT Evaluator training classes the week of April 24-28. Tom Olander and Marcia have rewritten the training program and he and Pat Mercer from Training 911 will be teaching the classes. We hope to have one class in Prince William during the day, and two evening classes. One will be at Loudoun and one at Fairfax. More when we get the details finalized.

Although her last official day is Feb. 28, she will still be available and in the office to take care of essential business until a replacement has been found and is in place. After that she is also planning to stick around long enough to ensure a smooth transition.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AHA-CTC

Ray Whatley submitted his report. 2015 Guidelines HeartCode PALS has been released.

Beginning March 28, 2017, only the 2015 Guidelines HeartCode PALS may be used to conduct blended learning PALS training.

For customers who have unused inventory of 2010 HeartCode PALS, the AHA will automatically transition those keys to new 2015 Guidelines HeartCode PALS keys overnight on March 27.

EMS Governor's Advisory

Jose Salazar reported SB1330 establishes peer support teams similar to our Critical Incident Stress Management Teams. It would require the Team Leader to be a licensed clinical psychologist or psychologist. This was amended only to apply to peer support teams.

The new Education Coordinator Program was approved. This is now more like an apprentice program.

Recruitment and Retention Network – Their next meeting will be on February 23 during the Virginia Fire Chiefs Conference. They will also have a meeting on March 25 in Loudoun County at which time they will be presenting an update on "Keeping the Best." They plan to put it online after they revise the program.

Workforce Development

The EMS Officer 1 Program committee met after the Symposium and reviewed the feedback. They have made changes and the goal is to start doing classes throughout the state. The next class will be done in conjunction with VAVRS Rescue College. The person that coordinated this effort has resigned and has a new job. The Standard of Excellence form on the website and is now a fillable form.

Provider Health and Safety

Brian Hricik reported the committee is still focusing on Safety bulletins, soliciting topic ideas for moving forward; if you have a suggestion for a topic, please let him know. It does not have to be a bulletin or an article, a simple idea will work and the committee will find the appropriate SME to assist with the bulletin.

At the August meeting a survey was discussed regarding Safety Officer Program. The survey was sent out in all packets at the EMS Symposium and there were 10 returned. The survey will be pushed out to all providers through online survey tool soon and they are considering other avenues as well. One of the safety bulletins will be describing the Safety Officer Program – followed up with a survey later.

The following Goals for the committee were discussed and the group will be continuing to move forward

- Maintain safety bulletins
- Mental health and suicide prevention
- Promote idea of a program and officer for Health and Safety for each agency, network of resources for a “toolbox”

The group will be working with MDC to develop a project/process for addiction treatment – focus on the project that will provide help to the provider. Brian asked if there were any current programs available in our region, and if so he asked that information be sent to him.

Provider Health and Safety Next Meeting Date – May 5th, in conjunction with the statewide committee meetings.

NV Performance Improvement and Trauma

Dr. Weir reported that the Committee met in December and the primary topic of discussion was Mass Burn Patient Care with special guest Katie Hallowed from Washington Hospital Center. After an informative discussion, the group worked to determine topics for 2017. The topic for the next meeting on March 1st will be acute traumatic amputations and re-implantation and we hope to have subject matter experts in attendance. One item of discussion that will be included is related transports from the scene and transports from the emergency departments. The committee is trying to get someone from Union Memorial to attend to answer a multitude of questions that came up in the discussions.

Medical Direction

Dr. Scott Weir reported. The group discussed training certification at the Virginia EMT-Intermediate provider level with emphasis on attending the Town Hall Meetings. The group discussed the trauma report and work groups with no significant progress having been made as of yet. They discussed NR and continuing education hours. The group discussed how monies for the Trauma Fund were going to be affected. Starting February 1, 2017 persons convicted of criminal offenses and traffic infractions are able to establish deferred and installment payment plans that would keep them from having their driver's license suspended. Because the Trauma Fund receives \$100 of the \$145 reinstatement fee, this will affect the Trauma Fund revenue. A budget amendment was introduced asking VDH to analyze the impact of the policy changes that impact resources to the Trauma Fund. OEMS and the Medical Assistance Services are working on strategies to match any resources lost with federal funds to enhance or preserve to the maximum level possible the Trauma Fund.

State Medevac

Rick Cohen reported they are working on two Bills. One of those affects flying drones around fire scenes. It has passed the House and has crossed over to the Senate.

State Training and Certification Committee

Michelle Ludeman reported testing fees for NREMT went up on January 1st. EMT \$70 to \$80 and I/P \$100 to \$125 for the cognitive testing. NREMT will be easing misdemeanor denials and there should be less issues regarding the criminal background with NR.

- The new Paramedic testing went into effect January 1st. Testing locations are still looking at how to continue to accommodate AEMT and Intermediates. Psychomotor Authorization to Test (PATT) Letter implemented January 1st. Students must have 14 days before test a PATT in order to be on the roster for the test site. Cannot be added to roster once it closes. Virginia will allow early access to psychomotor testing.
 - ALS Programs can determine when students are competent to take psychomotor exam.
 - Issue was discussed in an e-mail from NR to Program Directors last week.
 - Cannot mark them as having passed the program until they complete everything.
 - Once the program determines they are competent can mark them to take the psychomotor test by clicking the early access button in the Program Director NR Portal.
 - Cannot allow students to take cognitive exam prior to the announced end date of the course.

New Examiner has been hired. Still short staffed due to hiring freeze. The committee accepted the recommendation from the EC workgroup to implement to the new EC Process.

Tom Olander and Pat Mercer plan on doing evaluator classes the last week of April. Look for more details to come.

NVERS Pharmacy Meeting

The meeting scheduled for Feb. 6 was cancelled because that committee has no chair at this time.

Traffic Incident Management System (TIMS) Committee

Have not met since our last meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Performance Audit –

Working on Performance Audit for March and April.

JURISDICTIONAL REPORTS

Reports that were received for this meeting are added at the end of each agency's info.

Alexandria – Byron Andrews reported today is the 5 year anniversary of losing Joshua Weissman. Thoughts and prayers for his family today. Remember situational awareness for those working on the highway.

Submitted report from Brian Hricik.

- *We are working toward a shift from a 4 EMS shift system to a 3 shift system. Anticipated this will be done with the beginning of the new fiscal year but all approvals and arrangements are not completed as of yet.*
- *All EMS Supervisors have been reclassified as EMS Captains. This is to reflex their completion of Firefighter 1 and 2 courses.*

- *Captain Kelsea Bonkoski is no longer assigned to the Joshua Weissman Professional Development Center as the EMS Training Officer. The new EMS Training Captain is Lisa Simba. She can be reached at Lisa.Simba@alexandriava.gov. We are anticipating adding her to the Alternate spot for Alexandria as a Board of Director.*
- *We will be hosting an EMT to Paramedic Course with AEC. This is scheduled for the late spring through October. All details will be forthcoming.*

Arlington County – APO Submitted report from Anne Marsh:

- **Chief Bonzano** finished chemo and radiation; waiting for rescan results. Very optimistic. Chief Reshetar continues as acting Fire Chief.
- **Advanced Paramedic Officer (APO) Program:**
 - Still one EMS113 per shift to whom EMS111 and EMS112 (APO Lieutenants) report. EMS113 is the shift EMS Supervisor as well as an additional APO.
 - EMS111 and 112 not EMS Supervisors, but Advanced Paramedic Officers. No supervisory function.
 - EMS111 and EMS112 are not able to provide support with diversion through alternate transport to mutual aid transport units, but are available to provide advanced clinical support. Often they are called by mutual aid units to arrange home health or other non-clinical gestures. Please have crews email our AOMD Kathleen Kramer with the address and the need and she will take steps to address the situation. It is also very important to obtain a telephone number for the person requesting assistance. Kkramer@arlingtonva.us
 - Mutual Aid and EMS111/112: If any medic unit needs an EMS Supervisor for advanced decision making or medical interventions, ask ECC for an EMS supervisor without designation so that the closest can respond.
 - Arlington medic units are the only units authorized to call EMS111/112/113 for diversion/community paramedicine concerns (home health, help with medications, etc.)
 - 3 Lieutenants and 1 Captain completed APO school.
 - It is anticipated that Human Resources will classify EMS111/112 as a Captain I position.
- **Fixed Facilities.** Meetings and training continue with fixed facilities and are augmented with site visits. Fixed facilities include SNFs, assisted living, senior residences, urgent care facilities, Tricare and Rader Clinics, adult day care, community centers, etc. Ongoing program through PA and EMS113s.
- **Frequent Users:** Continue monthly meetings including ACFD, DHS, APS, ACPD, ECC and other stakeholders to address the needs of individuals who meet the criteria of frequent user (6 calls in 6 months). Prepared care plans for these individuals using HIPAA protected means of communication. Using premise hazard notifications on the MDT to alert medic units when responding to an individual (with a known address) with a care plan, so it can be accessed prior to on scene time. Care plans continually updated on OneDrive.
- **ACPD and ACSO:** Continued monthly meetings to collaborate, inquire, research and attempt to reduce requests for non-emergent transport. We have developed a form to try to improve communication and indices for clinical concerns. New personnel at Corizon (ACSO health care contractor) seem on board.

- **Bariatric Transport:** Incorporated MAB into response to known bariatric patient using premise hazard in MDT. If non-emergent, private transport. If emergent, MAB will be there sooner rather than later.
- **Technology:**
 - In depth process underway to assess information technology needs for all Arlington public safety through outside organization with departmental support.
 - ImageTrend Elite ePCR Program.
 - Hospital Hub working now through VAOEMS.
 - Working on incorporating elements of EMS Compass to better reach performance measure benchmarks.
 - Target Solutions continues to tracks ALS and BLS education and training hours. Still trying to improve quality of online training.
 - New LifePak 15s will be distributed March 2017 (\$1.5M). Includes disposable temperature sensor.
 - Westnet Alerting System to be upgraded FY2018.
- **Apparatus:**
 - Installed Stryker Power Load on M102. Very popular. Anticipated that every new medic unit will be ordered with Stryker PowerLoad and new PowerPro cot.
 - Health and Safety Committee analyzing if there is ameliorating effect on loading injuries.
 - Chose Stryker for cot maintenance and repair through Prince William Stryker contract for full maintenance and battery replacement. Still working on this plays out.
 - M108 in service dayside Monday - Thursday and 24 on Friday. M104 Bravo in service nightsides Friday and Saturday nights to address Rosslyn-Ballston corridor bacchanalia.
- **Recruit Schools:**
 - Recruit School 73 graduated December 23 with 19.
 - Offers out to 23 more for RC74. Starting March 6.
 - Will begin recruitment again immediately after start of RC74.
- **Promotions** Anticipate February-March: 3-4 Lieutenant, 9-10 Captain I, 3 Captain II, 3 Battalion Chief.
- **Stroke Partnership:** with VHCA – direct to CT. No changes. Monthly meetings with Stroke Committee, VHCA Stroke Coordinator participates in Stroke QA/QI chart review and attends/teaches ALS CMEs re: stroke. Lt. Bowen point on Stroke.
- **STEMI Partnership:** with IAH. On Duty EMS113 to attend with AMI data for IAH. Attempting to reinvigorate STEMI Partnership with VHCA. Captain II Bennett point on STEMI.
 - Now have direct to Cath Lab for Code STEMI with VHCA. No problems.
- **ALS Education:**
 - Two in Intermediate to Paramedic upgrade at NVCC.
 - One in second semester Intermediate at NVCC to test out with successful completion of the program in May 2017.

- *One repeating components of first semester Intermediate at NVCC. With successful completion of that, moves on to second semester for Fall 2017 Intermediate to test out in December 2017.*
- *Two EMTs looking to upgrade to ALS and we are determining the best course of action for them based on current options (NVCC, AEC, other jurisdictions).*
- *One EMT who is enrolled in an AEC class that begins in March in Manassas.*
- *One who will take the Intermediate to Paramedic upgrade Fall 2017 and the location is TBD.*
- **ALS Preceptor Program:** *Formalizing program with HR-approved value-added pay for designated ALS preceptors for training ALS providers. OMD, AOMDs, EMS Education Specialist and EMS113s creating program.*
- **ALS Equipment:**
 - *Continue to use I-Stat. Evaluating EPOC.*
 - *Considering changing from King LTs to I-gels. Will do pilot study with M102.*

City of Fairfax – Jon Brantley reported that they are changing effective May 1st to a custom form of Image Trend Elite. They are going away from using King Airway. They just hired 3 new Paramedics.

Fairfax County – Jason Jenkins reported Jan 1st switched to using Image Trend Elite. They have the 141st recruit school in progress. March 31 they will have recruit school graduation. They finished all EMS rotations and there will be another recruit school beginning in April. They have a lot of folks coming and going. Jason introduced John Chesek as the new Battalion Chief of EMS and he has joined the Executive Board in January.

Fairfax Police Helicopter – Paul Dehaven reported they have 22 EMTs that will be out in the field carrying Narcan.

Their report as submitted by Craig DeAtley:

- *We have two colleagues now entering the second semester of their paramedic class at VCU.*
- *All 22 of our EMTs just successfully recertified with the instructional assistance of Training 911.*
- *In 2016 the TECC kits found in the near 1000 cruisers was used 24 times by our police officers with numerous reports that their quick action and use of the equipment saved lives.*
- *The recent hostage - barricade situation in Herndon which was a joint operation between police and fire showed the value of joint planning training and exercising.*
- *Another one of our flight paramedics successfully obtained certified critical care paramedic status; all but the Divisions two newest paramedics have now completed this additional training*
 - *they will take it when they are eligible in the later part of their second year with the Division*

Loudoun – Jose Salazar reported that they submitted their report as requested and it was in with the Board mailing.

Submitted report from Jose Salazar: Jose Salazar reports –

- *Loudoun migrated to ImageTrend Elite on 12/19. Have had several issues, tweaking is ongoing.*
- *Recruit school 34 in session with 30, there will be two more schools to follow.*
- *BLS providers now trained to do 12 leads in the field and transmit them.*

- Looking at being able to run EMT to Paramedic class in the fall.
- Ongoing pilot on new electronic medication system.
- Will be implementing Termination of Resuscitation protocol in late March.
- Ongoing training for ALS providers to increase first time intubation success rate.
- Working on finalizing lease for all defibrillators.
- Looking at options for replacement of ePCR tablets, currently using Panasonic Toughbook.
- New EMS Supervisor vehicle went in service. New platform.



City of Manassas –Submitted report from Todd Lupton:

- Hired 3 new employees, 2 medics and 1 FF/EMT.
- Currently have 1 medic vacancy
- Working on the specification for a new Medic unit for FY18

Manassas Park – Tom Oliver reports at full staffing. Next couple of weeks will get to demo Image Trend Suite. Plans for an implementation date of July 1st. Lease purchase of two Life Pak 15's.

Todd Lupton reported that he is very disappointed with the responses that he has received from the Office of EMS from Gary Brown and Brian Hodges about the ongoing issues with Image Trend. This is in regards to Report Writer over losing reports. As his providers finishes a report it disappears and they can't find the report. The sustainability of the platform and Gary and Brian telling him that they are in the OEMS Cloud. He is just very dissatisfied with OEMS and the continued responses that he has received.

Airport – Rick Bonnett reported that they are still short personnel and they survived the protest.

Prince William –Mike LaSalle reported they just placed medic 26 in service. It is being housed at Buckhall, Station 16 until the new station is completed. They have a program for High Performance CPR

that started two years ago. They started this initiative with Battalion 1 and have completed training with all battalions and implemented county-wide. There also has been success with the volunteers too. It appears the BLS providers grasp this concept and like it. They started this project two years ago and collected data on save rates to evaluate where they were at that time, and will look at every cardiac arrest get data and will provide feedback on all cardiac arrests. So far they have gone from 10% to 39% success rate by providing feedback and making adjustments. They have had zero negative feedback so far and have a new protocols associated with it. They are also updated their EMD cards to reflect this program. Just had another Recruit school finish and another one is in school with 32 recruits.

Lifecare – Daniel Burke reported the NV office is working closely with the regional partners including the federal government. Working with Ft. Myers in non-emergent, non-critical transports to help the burden of one system. They have been doing this with the Pentagon too for quite some time. They think it will benefit the community quite a bit. Also had a very large capital investment in NV region from corporate office to include a purchase of 9 ambulances. This now brings them up to a total of 35 ambulances in NV currently. They are currently staffing anywhere from 25 to 28 every day. Started a safety program at the first of the year. It is a street eagle driver monitoring program. Hiring part-time and full-time looking also for ALS providers.

Northern Virginia Community College – Jim Rucks reported that they moved to all electronic submissions for all labs, clinical and internships. They are working with Platinum Planner. It is one sheet of paper for shift verification. On that form is all of his contact information along with other faculty contacts on it. If anyone has any questions please call or send them a message they will get back to you. Starting in May is the basic Paramedic class that is a one year program and will test out the following May. Instead of a two year program it knocks it down to 12 months. They will continue to offer dual tracking for shift workers. It is the same class being offered Wednesdays and Thursdays. Same class, same Instructors and same materials so students can come either day. When any student is interested in their EMS programs please have them contact their office. Please be aware that there are several different campuses at NVCC and in order to get the right information, students need to contact their office to get the right information about their program. May 19 is the next NREMT practical exam. Not sure how many outsiders they can take with the new testing as of Jan 1. Working on Self-Study Report for Accreditation and Alex Like is the point of contact.

OEMS Program Representative - Scottie Williams was welcomed and had nothing to report.

PHI –Rick Cohen had nothing to report.

PTS – Kate Passow reported keeping busy, revamping orientation and protocol update review.

Reston Hospital – Keith Morrison reported that Reston Hospital will have their joint commission for stroke next Thursday. He has sent out invites for this. Trauma Program has been going well. Successful trauma training in January. Next trauma training will be on February 28th in Sterling.

StoneSprings – Tonight there is training at StoneSprings – Dinner with a Dr. on Stroke Awareness at 7 pm.

Sentara Northern Virginia - Dynette Rombough reported starting in March working with Prince William Co. EMS ER doors will be closed for a short time. They are at capacity red with all beds 183 are full. February the facility will be under construction and that will probably last 12 months. It will result in a

new Emergency Department. Some structures will remain so stay tuned for notices from them. They will be working while remodeling. They are still working on becoming a Level 3 Trauma Center and are working on bids with trauma services folks to come in. Sentara is looking at a minimum of two urgent centers possibly 5 in 2017. Not sure where the locations will be.

Inova Loudoun Hospital – Johanna Kushman, the new clinical director of the new Ashburn Complex, Inova Loudoun Public Safety ER Liaison. They are going through another period of growth. There is considerable construction at the hospital revamping the adult ER at their Loudoun campus and adding an additional pediatric ER room. Inova Loudoun is also working on their Level 3 trauma designation. They have a new trauma doctor. They have some exciting training coming up. Their last OB simulator class was filled but will try again and also offer the class in Fairfax County. It is a class that delivers babies in a realistic fashion. It's an all hands on training class and it has to be limited to only 30 students. It also has neonatal resuscitation. April is Autism Awareness month. It will be on Autism training will be on April 18, 1930-2130. Hosting the first Hero Bowl on March 9 & 10, 1-4 pm (12 teams of 12 people) look for more information to be sent out soon. It is a flag football event.

New Business:

Certify PI and Trauma Minutes for December 7, 2016 –

Todd Lupton made a motion to approve the PI and Trauma minutes for December 7, 2016 as presented. Motion seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

FY 16 Annual Report as sent in mailing with the official 2016 Financial Statements inserted when received from the final audit.

Beth Adams made a motion to approve the FY 16 Annual Report as presented. Motion seconded by Todd Lupton and the motion carried unanimously.

Council's Accounting and Financial Policy –

Todd Lupton made a motion to approve the Accounting and Financial Policy as presented. Motion seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Council's revised COOP Plan –This is part of the contract deliverable with OEMS. The only changes that were made was to add the required wording from OEMS all items were already in the plan. Also verified with the Council's IT guy was all the IT information. We now have a backup plan if our data center goes down which is down in Florida. This actual services our phones since they are voice over IP. We exercised this plan last fall during hurricane Matthew. If the Council receives a phone call it then gets transferred to what phone number we have on file. At that time we had Michelle's cell on file and our phone calls were transferred to her.

Brian Hricik made a motion to approve the COOP Plan as presented. Motion seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Short Audit FY 16-- There were no questions from the auditor.

Brian Hricik made a motion to approve the Short Audit as presented. Motion seconded by Kate Passow and the motion carried unanimously.

Brian thanked Kate Passow for her years of dedicated and commitment with the Executive Board. He presented her with an award for being Member- at -Large and Treasurer/Secretary from 2009 – 2016.

CERTIFICATION OF BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETING

NV EMS Council
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I, Marcia Pescitani, Interim Executive Director of the Northern Virginia EMS Council certify that the above minutes are a true and correct transcript of the minutes of a meeting of the board of directors of the Northern Virginia EMS Council held at the City of Fairfax Fire Department, 4081 University Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030 on February 9, 2017 and that the meeting was duly called and held in all respects in accordance with the laws of the state of Virginia and bylaws of the corporation and that a quorum was present. The minutes were officially approved at the April 6, 2017 meeting of the board.

Marcia Pescitani

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NV EMS Council

June
5~~th~~ 8, 2017

Date