



# Northern Virginia Emergency Medical Services Council

## Board of Directors Meeting

4081 University Drive, Fairfax, VA 22033

Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2017

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Council President Brian Hricik welcomed all in attendance and called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

- No representatives from the public were present to address the Board.
- Minutes from the Northern Virginia EMS Council held April 6, 2017 were unanimously approved.

### **Treasurer's report**

Anne Marsh – nothing to report. The March, April, and May financials were unanimously approved.

### **President's Report**

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1. Staffing – Fully staffed
  - Craig Evans joins Northern Virginia EMS Council; Executive Director
  - 06 May - Michelle Ludeman accepted position as the Regional Coordinator
  - 06 May - Judy St. George hired permanent as Administrative Assistant
  - Ray Whatley continues as the AHA Training Center Coordinator
2. Chief's meeting – Second Tuesday of each month
  - Executive Director attends
3. Drafted MOU for Chiefs review for next meeting; expect all to sign
4. Draft Budget – Approved without changes
5. Regional Assessments – Approved as written
6. Employee Handbook
  - SESCO responded with recommendations
  - Reviewed all proposed changes with the Executive Committee
  - Document is under a final revision to be sent out to the entire board
  - Review to approve at the September board meeting

### Executive Director's Report

1. 02 May – met with Dr. Scott Weir; signed on to continue as regional OMD for FY 2018
2. 03 May – attended Executive Board meeting
3. 05 May – attended State Legislative & Planning Committee; Short Pump, VA
4. 09 May – attended NOVA Chief's meeting
5. 10 May – attended, with Regional Coordinator, Falls Church High School consolidated test site and assisted OEMS with staffing and support
6. 16 May – met with Fairfax County Fire and Rescue EMS Training Division to discuss coordination of regional instructors, their EMS Symposium 22 May
7. 19 May – attended Virginia Heart Attack Coalition's annual meeting in Lynchburg, VA. State FMC device time is down to 77 minutes. The drive to 75 continues. State average in 2010 was 90 minutes
8. 22 May – attended NVERS Steering Committee meeting
9. 23 May – attended meeting with Lifesize, a telemedicine vendor, along with regional physicians and partners to review a product for a proposed regional telemedicine program to improve stroke door to treatment time
10. 25, 26 May – with Regional Coordinator, met with VA Office of OEMS to discuss the EMS Training Funds program and the FY18 council contracts
11. 31 May – Council staff meeting was held to discuss proposed changes to the Employee Handbook
12. Met with representatives from the EMS training divisions of the City of Fairfax and the Fairfax County Helicopter Division to discuss regional EMS training opportunities
13. Attended presentation hosted by Prince William Fire Department on lessons learned in the Paris and Brussels attacks presented by Assistant Chief Michael Little of the Los Angeles Police Department. It was highly attended by area fire, EMS and law enforcement leaders
14. Tech II Jeff Kwak continues on light duty from PWC and has been a great help in many areas

## **STATE AND REGIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **American Heart Association – Community Training Center**

Ray Whatley, AHA Training Center Coordinator, provided the following updates:

1. As of January 1, 2018 all AHA cards will be electronic for providers; these may, at some point also be issued to instructors
2. Hands Only CPR documented

### **EMS State Advisory**

Deputy Chief Jose Salazar provided the following updates:

1. DNR – Out of state and electronic approved effective July 1, 2017
2. Provider fatigue project on hold until Dr. George Lindbeck reports on the national study results
3. Applications are being accepted for the Standards of Excellence Program. For more information visit: <http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/emergency-medical-services/virginia-standards-of-excellence-program/>

### **Provider Health and Safety**

Chief Brian Hricik - Committee has not met since last board meeting. Updates:

1. Developed a safety template as if there were a designated safety officer
2. Fatigue Study by NITSA – expect results by month end on what it means to providers
3. June – National Mental Health Awareness
4. 04 Aug 2017 – next meeting

### **NV Performance Improvement and Trauma**

Dr. Scott Weir – not present

Executive Director attended meeting

1. Dr. James Higgins attended and presented on hand and arm amputation capabilities of Union Memorial Hospital. He gave a comprehensive overview of the Curtis National Hand Center and several case reviews. He stressed that they are a specialty center and do not have capabilities for multisystem trauma, pediatrics, or obstetrics.
2. Dr. Narques Weir attended remotely and presented on sleep deprivation – link to the YouTube presentation: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OWIXfeDNKZQ&feature=youtu.be>

### **Medical Direction**

Dr. John Morgan provided the following updates:

1. 06 Apr – MD Committee meeting
2. Discussions had on expanding Virginia scope of practice for the AEMT with add on modules which were not generally supported by the MDC
3. Discussions had on modifications for the scope of practice for EMR to allow intranasal medication administration and allowing an EMT to transport a chronic/stable vent patient with a non-ventilator, BLS emergency medical condition
4. Discussion and approval of accepting an electronic/digital copy of a DNR or POST form (on a smart phone, etc.)

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### **State Medevac**

Nothing to report.

### **State Training and Certification Committee**

Michelle Ludeman, Regional Coordinator, provided the following updates:

1. Training funds discussion
  - Past –EMS Training Funds Program known as EMSTF; Now students will apply for funds through a scholarship through Office of Health Equity.
  - OEMS states October 2017 an online application will open up. Implementation date January 2018.
  - Money would be given to the student prior to start of class if awarded the scholarship. OEMS has asked regional councils to help with promoting the program.
  - These are for initial classes only.
  - Students must apply every semester for scholarships.
  - Criteria looking at will be underserved areas, shortages of providers in that area, financial need of student and the EMS Advisory Board may have placed other priorities for the scholarship cycle.
2. CE and Auxiliary program
  - OEMS would like the Council to sign a MOU by June 20<sup>th</sup>.
  - OEMS desires to provide Cat 1 CE programs and CE funding in each FIPS code.
  - It provides funding for each FIPS for two 33 hour CE programs at \$35 per hour, which is a total of \$1155 per CE program or \$2310 per locality if you provide 2 programs during the FY18 year.
  - OEMS will fund up to 677 auxiliary students for our region, at \$60 per student.
  - The reasoning for low numbers is that 677 students is the total number of EMSTF requested funds for auxiliary programs in our region last year; our goal next year is to establish a regional program that reflects an accurate number of students trained and thereby request additional funding for FY19
  - Members of the board expressed their confusion on how this will play out in the region and that the program seems complicated and rushed; Executive Committee to meet and discuss the MOU in detail.
  - Craig will request 90-day extension with OEMS.

### **Regional Pharmacy/EMS Meeting**

A meeting is scheduled for June 19<sup>th</sup> where the regional drug exchange form and CSK form will be updated.

### **Traffic Incident Management System (TIMS) Committee**

Nothing to report.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **JURISDICTIONAL REPORTS**

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

### Alexandria

Deputy Chief Byron Andrews provided the following updates:

1. Compression – single-role provider
2. 4 1/1 units
3. 2 ALS minimally staffed
4. 15 internships; full time 22 May
5. Starting a fall prevention program in November

### Arlington County

Battalion Chief Anne Marsh provided the following updates:

1. **Chief James Bonzano** back at full duty.
2. **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. This will change with possible EMS Chief.
  - Human Resources has classified EMS111/112 as a Captain I position. Transfers imminent.
  - Reminder that current EMS111 and 112 **Lieutenants** are 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](mailto: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.)
  - Four more Lieutenants completed APO school.
3. **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.
4. **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.

5. **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.
6. **Bariatric Transport:** Are not able to add MAB to known addresses with bariatric patients. First unit on scene assesses and calls for MAB if warranted. Premise hazard in MDT entered for responding units' edification. If non-emergent, private transport.
7. **Technology:**
  - In depth process underway to assess information technology needs for all Arlington public safety through outside organization with departmental support. Ongoing.
  - ImageTrend Elite ePCR Program. Working well for the ACFD.
    - Hospital Hub working now through VAOEMS.
    - Working on incorporating elements of EMS Compass to better reach performance measure benchmarks.
  - Target Solutions continues to track ALS and BLS education and training hours. Still trying to improve quality of online training.
  - Westnet Alerting System to be upgraded FY2018.
8. **Apparatus:**
  - Installed Stryker Power Load on M102. Very popular. Every new medic unit will be ordered with Stryker PowerLoad and new PowerPro cot.
    - Health and Safety Committee analyzing if there is a reduction in loading injuries.
  - Chose Stryker for cot maintenance and repair through Prince William Stryker contract for full maintenance and battery replacement.
  - M108 in service dayside Monday - Thursday and 24 on Friday. M104 Bravo in service nightsides Friday and Saturday nights to address Rosslyn-Ballston corridor response. Response analysis shows this to have an ameliorating effect on the stress on M104 on the weekends.
  - Three medic units on order; Ford 550 chassis; same box.
9. **Recruit Schools:**
  - Recruit School 74 graduating August with 20.
  - Recruit School 75 starting September 2017.
10. **Promotion:**
  - Anne Marsh promoted to Battalion Chief. Assignment TBD. Will remain on Council.
  - Anticipate June: 1 Deputy Chief, 1 Battalion Chief, 3 Captain IIs, 1 Captain I, 3 Lieutenants.
11. **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.
12. **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.

**13. ALS Education:**

- Two upgraded from Intermediate to Paramedic
- One repeating 1<sup>st</sup> semester Intermediate
- One finishing second semester Intermediate and testing in May.
- One just began B to P in March with AEC.
- Three begin AEC in June and finish in November (day work) –the class is full and closed
- One beginning NVCC prerequisites class in May at NVCC
- Two in Intermediate to Paramedic upgrade at NVCC.

**14. 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.

- While HR approved program, it is possible that budget will now allow this expenditure for next FY.

**15. ALS Equipment:**

- New LifePak 15s distributed March 2017. Includes disposable temperature sensor. Problems with temperature sensor; perception is that it's unreliable. Also problems with sensitivity of blood pressure cuff to movement. Working with Physio on this issue.
- Using CodeStat to analyze CPR and ROSC data.
- New LUCAS II devices issued to all medic units, both front line and reserve.
- Continue to use I-Stat. Evaluating EPOC.
- Considering changing from King LTs to I-gels. Undergoing pilot study with M102.
- Had representative attend CME to familiarize team with Control Cric to CME in May, very slick surgical airway device

**City of Fairfax**

Captains Greg Rauch and Jonathan Brantley provided the following updates:

1. 01 May – We went live with ImageTrend Elite for ePCR (using Panasonic Thoughtbook CF-20 for hardware; going well)
2. 30 June – Graduation
  - 14 medic interns in place
  - 16-17 in October
3. Seven new hires
4. Powerload – lack of knowledge as to whether it fits bariatric bar (answered, yes, with LifePak, though PB module has been an issue)
5. Battalion Chief Clark doing well after donating a kidney to Nicole Ciarrocca.

**Fairfax County**

Chief Jason Jenkins provided the following updates:

1. Admin – Matt Lopez; new Battalion Chief
2. The Phillips MRX monitors are no longer being serviced. Fairfax has a meeting with them in the future.
3. Polled the group about the purchase and lease of monitors. Service provided to Fairfax for Medtronic has been bad in the past.



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4. Fairfax will be going to another monitor yet to be determined in the next 2-3 years. Could be a \$3M purchase

### **Fairfax Police Helicopter**

The following feedback was provided by Craig DeAtley:

1. Two staff successfully completed critical care paramedic certification; expect two more to complete training and graduate late June. They begin flight officer training in July.
2. Hosted a regional tactical medic training session attended by Fairfax City, Fairfax and Arlington county personnel last month. A second training will be held 16 June.

### **Loudoun**

Deputy Chief Jose Salazar submitted the following report:

1. Recruit school 34 going on with 25. Next class starts in July and another in November
2. 18 May - Began staffing Round Hill station (604) with 24 hour ALS
3. Awarded AFG grant for I – P class in September
4. HPCPR implementation delayed; looking at next year now
5. Michelle Beatty promoted to EMS training manager
6. EMS QA manager position search; ongoing
7. Looking at hiring EMS training specialist and training officer
8. Received delivery of metro cars for metro training prop
9. Implemented Termination of Resuscitation protocol

### **City of Manassas**

Battalion Chief Todd Lupton provided the following update:

1. 20 May – *Operation Staying Alive* (hands-only CPR event)
  - o Goal – train 1,000 citizens in one day – goal half met; it was still a great event

### **Manassas Park**

No representation.

### **Airport**

Nothing to report.

### **Prince William**

Chief Mike Lasalle provided the following update:

1. New Station 26 open
2. Promoted three battalion chiefs
3. High Performance CPR gong well

### **Lifecare**

No representation.

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### **Northern Virginia Community College**

Jim Rucks and Kathleen Camp provided the following updates:

1. Jim Rucks' replacement will be William Garringer (pending formal notification)
2. Applied for ALS accreditation
3. Taking back AHA – in transition
4. 800 preceptors to work with; use Platinum for training

### **OEMS Program Representative**

Nothing to report.

### **PHI**

No representation.

### **PTS**

No representation.

### **Reston Hospital**

Keith Morrison provided the following updates:

- EMS week went well; served BBQ Mon-Wed and also in June for Sterling VRS
- Construction coming in July; maps to follow
- Training – June 26<sup>th</sup> with Fairfax County 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. – eye injuries, wound care and sepsis

### **StoneSprings**

Jaime Wolfin provided the following updates:

1. **Chest Pain Certification**
  - SSHC applied for certification in May; the certification visit is anticipated in November or December.
2. **ECG Transmission**
  - LifeNet has been purchased, and is being installed. All agencies will be able to transmit ECGs to SSHC as soon as the implementation is completed.
3. **Training**
  - SSHC's Cardiac Cath Lab team is preparing CCL / STEMI / CP familiarization training for EMS; contact Jaime if your shift / station is interested in attending. Schedule TBD.
4. **SSHC Requests**
  - Bring your field acquired 12 lead ECGs into the hospital & provide them to the person taking report. We will use the EMS ECG, and not need to redo the 12 Lead upon arrival. This helps to improve patient care by reducing the time to make a decision. (This will also be enabled by ECG Transmission.)
  - When drawing blood / labs for SSHC, please draw two green tops. We use one for rapid testing in the ER and one goes to the lab.
5. **Pediatric ER Open House**
  - On August 26<sup>th</sup>, SSHC will be hosting a Pediatric ER Open House. If you haven't already seen the Peds ER, stop by, meet some of your favorite super heroes, our pediatricians & staff, and celebrate our successes with the community.

## 6. Stroke

- Joint Commission Primary Stroke Certification

The Joint Commission has scheduled SSHC's Primary Stroke Center Certification visit for July 14<sup>th</sup>.  
Get with the Guidelines: Silver Plus Award.

SSHC has been awarded a Silver Plus stroke award from AHA: Get with the Guidelines. Within the Get with the Guidelines-Stroke Achievement Measures, the different levels reflect the amount of time for which the hospital demonstrates performance.

- Bronze: recognizes performance of 90 consecutive days
- Silver recognizes performance of 12 consecutive months
- Gold recognizes performance of 24 consecutive months or more. (Since SSHC is only "19 months old", we do not have 24 months of data to submit. However, the silver plus level recognizes that as a new facility, we will be eligible for gold, as soon as we have 24 months of data.)

The Achievement Measures are embedded in the Patient Management Tool, which are new achievement measures starting with 2017 discharges

They are:

- IV rt-PA arrive by 2 hour, treat by 3 hour: Percent of acute ischemic stroke patients who arrive at the hospital within 120 minutes (2 hours) of time last known well and for whom IV t-PA was initiated at this hospital within 180 minutes (3 hours) of time last known well.
- Early antithrombotics: Percent of patients with ischemic stroke or TIA who receive antithrombotic therapy by the end of hospital day two
- VTE prophylaxis: Percent of patients with ischemic stroke, hemorrhagic stroke, or stroke not otherwise specified who receive VTE prophylaxis the day of or the day after hospital admission
- Antithrombotics: Percent of patients with an ischemic stroke or TIA prescribed antithrombotic therapy at discharge
- Anticoag for AFib/Aflutter: Percent of patients with an ischemic stroke or TIA with atrial fibrillation/flutter discharged on anticoagulation therapy
- Smoking cessation: Percent of patients with ischemic or hemorrhagic stroke, or TIA with a history of smoking cigarettes, who are, or whose caregivers are, given smoking cessation advice or counseling during hospital stay
- Statin Prescribed at Discharge: Percent of Ischemic stroke or TIA who are discharged on Statin Medication

## 7. Visits & Education

Medical Director Dr. Christopher Crowell (SSHC ER medical director) and Jaime have some availability to come to your station to help do targeted training for your station or your battalion. Some ideas:

- Stroke Recognition for BLS providers
- CP & the importance of 12 Lead acquisition, STEMI / Chest Pain mimics, or "Things that might be cardiac, but present as something else"
- Heat Emergencies & Rhabdomyolysis (wow, it is hot already!)
- Overdoses & Narcan administration

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We are also available to come do follow-up visits reviewing any cases that you had questions about or are curious about.

### 8. **Medical Office Building**

- The on-campus medical office building space is 100% leased and is occupied. There have been an increasing number of calls from the facility to 9-1-1. Dr. Crowell and I are working with the practices to ensure the appropriate use of 9-1-1. If you have any concerns about any calls from the facility, please notify Jaime or Dr. Crowell as soon as possible.

As always, Jaime is available for questions, concerns, or needs. You will get the fastest response if you text 571-363-9116. (She does not have all your numbers, so please include name and affiliation in the message)

### **Sentara Northern Virginia**

Dynette Rombaugh provided the following updates:

1. Construction is still underway; going well

### **Inova Loudoun Hospital**

Johanna Kushan provided the following updates:

1. INOVA Loudoun, first Level III Trauma Center designation in Loudoun County
2. Construction is still underway; now have two large trauma bays
3. Training – August: Chest Trauma

### **New Business:**

1. New drug exchange form approved as updated at the June 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Pharmacy committee
2. Regional Medical Protocol approved as written with the addition of the updated drug exchange form. Discussed making this more of a goal orientated document on agreed time metrics for specific emergencies.
3. Hospital Diversion Plans – approved as written

Motion to adjourn approved at 11:28 a.m.

**Next Board meeting will be on September 14, 2017 at 10:00 am, City of Fairfax Station 403.**

Lunch was provided and the Regional Award Ceremony commenced followed by Marcia's 26-year retirement gathering.

Regional EMS awards for Excellence:

- Matthew Heppner—**Regional Award for Outstanding Pre-Hospital Provider**
- Andrew Hopkins—**Regional Award for Outstanding Pre-Hospital Educator**
- Johanna Kushan—**Regional Award for Nurse with Outstanding Contribution to EMS**
- Marcia Pescitani—**Regional Award for Excellence in EMS**
- Richard Peter Verrier IV—**Regional Award for Outstanding Contribution to EMS by a High School Student**

CERTIFICATION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Northern Virginia EMS Council  
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Gainesville, VA 20155

I, Craig Evans, 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 June 8, 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 September 14, 2017 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Northern Virginia EMS Council.

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Craig A. Evans  
Executive Director  
Northern Virginia EMS Council

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Date