



Northern Virginia Emergency Medical Services Council

Board of Directors Meeting

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Meeting Minutes

October 11, 2018

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Council President Brian Hricik welcomed all in attendance and called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

- No representatives from the public were present to address the Board.
- Minutes from the NVEMSC Board of Directors meeting held June 14, 2018, were sent for review and there were no changes noted. The minutes were unanimously approved as written.

Treasurer's report

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1. The Treasurer's report was sent via email for review. The report was accepted as presented for June through September 2018 and unanimously approved.

President's Report

1. EMS Operations group has been tasked to look into a Regional EMS Academy by the Fire Chiefs group. They met with the Northern Virginia Criminal Justice Academy to discuss how it's run, funded, etc.
 - They, like the Council, are a non-profit organization with member agencies that pay for participation
 - It looks like a viable model, however, without a significant amount of participation, it is unclear how viable it really is
 - The group will review this and other options and put together a report to return to the Fire Chiefs
2. EMS Operations has also been discussing MUCC triage systems, SALT vs. START
 - There really is no data to support switching to START from SALT as both are effective and also have their own benefits and downfalls
 - They will report back to Senior Ops with a report soon
3. There was a recent meeting with the new ED Director from Inova Fairfax, Danette Alexander, and they are opening a new EMS Room on October 24, 2018. There will be flyers and invitations sent out for the ribbon cutting event and open house
4. Brian attended the FICEMS meeting back in June. There wasn't anything new to report. Keep an eye out on EMS.gov for any updates as they are good about keeping it up to date.
5. Brian and others participated in the NOVA Command and MCI Tabletop training. The tabletop portion went very well but there was a noticeable lack of BLS participation from the group.
 - They'd like to get out to anyone who ride the right front seat of any apparatus in NOVA that you should be familiar with the manual and participate in these drills
 - On both days they only had about 10% of the morning group stay for the tabletop portion and they'd like to get better awareness out about staying for the whole day to get the most benefit out of the information and exercises
6. EMS Symposium is November 7th – November 11th in Norfolk. Registration closed October 5th.
7. EMS on the Hill Day for 2019 is April 10th. Although this is right in our backyard, the representation from Virginia overall is minimal and we, as a group, should really try to plan and be there
 - Chief Lupton asked if there is anyone who coordinates that for us in the region. Brian advised there is not, however, Chief Salazar and Kate Passow have gone in the past and can probably lend some advice on the topic and we can look at planning that better for 2019

Executive Director's Report

1. Craig advised that there is a new EMS Systems Planner at OEMS who is replacing Tim Perkins; His name is Chris Vernovai. His first task is to review all of the Council Re-designation application packets
2. He has been working with the AHA for the Council to be a super user for regional reporting of stroke through CAD.
 - The cost is \$2700-3200 per year but the AHA and its regional affiliates are going to pay for that for the first year for us.
 - It can be cancelled 60 days in advance by us or the AHA.

- Since it will be of no cost to us for the first year, this gives us a good opportunity to determine if we want to continue to use it after that.
 - Nothing has been completed on that yet, but he and Brian will review the contract soon
3. FACT*R Blood program update
- The Board previously approved to pay the startup costs of approximately \$18,000 to get the program started
 - Dr.'s Morgan and Avstreich spoke to some potential donors and we received a donation for \$9,250 each from Telos and The Frederick & Karen Schaufeld Family Foundation to cover those costs
 - The QinFlow warmers have been received in the Council office already in addition to a trainer that has been loaned to the Council.
 - Loudoun County Fire and Rescue recently used the loaned trainer to train their EMS Supervisors.
 - Dr. Morgan advised they had approximately 13 EMS Supervisors who attended 8 hour sessions
 - They are looking for more of a regional training opportunity, such as a video
 - Craig advised that Inova's Public Outreach program has agreed to put forth the \$1000 to produce the video which will be more of an awareness type video but also a refresher for the Paramedics who will have to administer the blood on the scene. Inova's video production department will be filming and producing it
 - There will also be an in-person training platform regionally. Each department just needs to determine who will be responsible for administering blood and attending training. For example, EMS Supervisors or EMS Lieutenants, etc.
 - Loudoun and Fairfax County's will be the first to start and are working to add protocols for the procedure. The protocols will then be formed into the Regional protocol the Council
4. The Council had an initial planning meeting for the 2019 Northern Virginia Regional EMS Conference.
- The initial vision is for a 2-day conference during EMS Week to be held Monday and Tuesday, May 20th & 21st, 2019
 - We would like to tie this in to the Regional EMS Awards and have the awards banquet on that Monday night
 - The conference would run during the day until approximately 4:30 pm to be followed by a cocktail and networking hour then leading to dinner and the awards presentations
 - All nominees will be invited along with a guest and their nominations will be read and the winner announced at that time
5. RSAFE grants will be presented and voted on today. Amanda Davis is no longer the Grant Administrator as in the past. It's now Luke Parker and he is a new OEMS employee who will handle all the grants
6. Regional Assessments have been sent out and the hospital donation letters will go out this week
7. The first draft of the Annual Audit was sent out. Jennifer Burke from the accounting firm is here at the meeting to answer any questions about the audit and to discuss a change in tax regulations that requires the Board to make a decision
- There were no questions from the Board regarding the draft audit

- Ms. Burke advised there is a change in the guidelines for how they put together financial statements for all non-profit companies effective June 30th
 - They used to call it unrestricted net assets and now it's called net assets without donor restrictions, so much of it is just a change in wording
 - The big item that affects the Council is the Liquidity Disclosure. There is currently a disclosure that says how much cash and investments we have at the end of the year then they reduce that by any amounts that are donor restricted or Board designated which equals the amount of cash that is left over to be able to fund operations in the next year.
 - NVEMSC Board designates/restricts all of our assets for reserves for futures years so when Ms. Burke backs out the reserve amount, or all of the net assets, we end up with a negative amount of liquidity and therefore says NVEMSC has no cash flow to manage the organization for the next year. Her recommendation is to change the way NVEMSC reserves net assets because while having reserves is a good thing, the Council doesn't necessarily have to reserve everything. It may be good to look at the liquidity and have a quarter of the years expenses available for the starting cash flow and put a reserve on the remainder of the funds or come up with a number to keep in reserves at the end of the year and adjust it year to year and add or subtract as needed as opposed to putting the entire net assets in reserve
 - ❖ By making this change, it will make the presentation of the financials look better, especially to prospective donors
 - ❖ Craig stated that if we look at the first quarter of the year with a \$17,000 - 20,000 per month operating expenses, that's approximately \$60,000 per quarter, and the rest would be designated as net assets without donor restrictions. Right now all of our assets total just over \$300,000.
 - Deputy Chief Lupton suggested someone make a motion for the Executive Committee to sit down and evaluate how much funding the Board designate as reserves to address the issue of the audit.
 - Deputy Chief Andrews also stated that OEMS also dictates how the statements need to be worked out from an accounting perspective and wants to be sure there is no conflict between what OEMS is going to expect from the Council and how they want us to report things. He thinks that there needs to be some research and that be reported at the next meeting.
 - President Hricik stated that, as an example, OEMS may look at the financial statement and choose to withhold or reduce funding due to balances carried over that appears that there are funds/assets available.
 - ❖ Chief Andrews made a motion for the Executive Committee for discussion and brings back to the Board at the December Board meeting with their recommendation
 - Motion seconded by Chief Lupton

- Discussion: Is there any downside to waiting to December to revisit/discuss this?
 - Per Jennifer Burke, there is not
- Motion approved unanimously

Presentation by Physio-Control Becky Michaelangelo and Cindy Benicker from Physio-Control advised that while most people are using ImageTrend and SafetyPad that Physio-Control also has their own EMS reporting system called Health-EMS which also integrates fire reporting and billing and that when contracts are coming up for renewal, this is another product to consider. Cindy provided a live demonstration of the product and answered questions.

STATE AND REGIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

AHA Training Center

Ray Whatley, AHA Training Center Coordinator, submitted the following report

1. The MidAtlantic (VA, DC, MD, NC & SC) ECC Committee has been officially established. The AHA is looking for volunteers to fill various subcommittee roles. If you're interested contact Ray.
2. Next possibility for guidelines informational update may come out of the AHA Scientific Sessions meeting Nov 10-12 in Chicago.
3. New TS Coordinator in PWC Tech II Jason Patton.

EMS Symposium Call for Presentation is open. 2019 committee meeting is next week.

State EMS Advisory Board

Deputy Chief Jose Salazar reported the following:

1. Many people are rotating off the Board as of the last meeting and there are several new appointments. He is fortunate enough to have been reappointed to represent Northern Virginia again.
2. The Rules & Regulations Committee met and there is a new draft revision of the Rules & Regulations and they should be coming out for public comment soon.
3. REPLICA has formed their commission, they are up to 17 states that have adopted it
 - The goal is to make it easier to go between state boundaries and may help with some of the background checks that are being done on the same system.
4. The Advisory Board approved the State Trauma Plan which comes with 105 recommendations including an additional seats on the board. This will now go to the Board of Health. As a reminder, just because it's approved it doesn't mean they're approving the 105 recommendations, just the plan that they received with those recommendations. The state will then look at what recommendations will move forward or not.

Workforce Development Committee

Deputy Chief Jose Salazar advised the following:

1. The last pilot of the EMS Officer 1 Program will be at the Symposium and hopefully, it will be released after that.
 - There will be creation of train-the-trainer and an instructor manual to go along with it and they'll start looking at the Office 2 level
2. They continue to look for organizations to participate in the Standards of Excellence Program

3. Next meeting is at Symposium

Provider Health and Safety

Chief Brian Hricik advised the following updates:

1. The committee met in August and discussed injury prevention techniques
2. They will be pushing for equipment such as Binder Lifts and automatic cots in the upcoming RSAF grant cycles as a special focus so keep your ears open for that in the future
3. They are developing a workgroup for addiction treatment. There is no resources for EMS providers whereas there are for nurses, physicians and the like. Currently, EMS providers, if you are caught on duty you'll lose your job over it and hopefully find some help after that but that is not the case for most of the medical community and they are hoping to close that gap some for EMS providers.
4. They discussed mental health topics and there will be a video presentation at Symposium this year as well as posters that can be branded by any organization who wishes to put their patch on it. The video includes EMS, Fire, Dispatch, and Police and just addresses what resources are available for mental health and how it affects first responders in every aspect
5. Traffic Incident Management Systems Committee met in June and VDOT is working on a pilot program for drone surveillance to assist with accident reconstruction. The pilot will be here in Northern Virginia as well as Southwest Virginia and it will be ongoing through December. It is to be used as a resource for the incident commander in case they need a birds eye view, they can request it through VDOT

EMS Performance Improvement & Trauma Committee

Dr. Weir was not in attendance. Craig Evans provided the following update:

1. The last meeting was September 5, 2018
 - The medical topic was childbirth
 - The trauma topic was penetrating trauma
2. Fort Belvoir is applying for Trauma Center designation as a Level III
3. Next meeting is December 5, 2018, at Fire Station 440.
 - Medical topic is head trauma
 - Trauma topic is mental health and suicides
 - Systems topic is Mental Health First Aid for Fire Departments and how departments are handling this and whether they meet the requirements

Medevac Committee

Richard Cohen was not present.

Regional Medical Directors & State Medical Direction Committee

Dr. Morgan provided the following update:

1. The committee met last week
 - The primary discussion revolved around changes to the Scope of Practice for on formularies for sedatives like propofol and initiating propofol.
 - They discussed interfacility transports and the ability of the paramedic to maintain propofol that's already hanging when they arrive and whether that causes delays in transport
 - They came back with some draft recommendations on changing the wording on analgesics, anesthetics and sedatives as far as trying to what drugs and at what level with the current wording being that an Intermediate or Paramedic could

maintain sedation for an already-intubated patient as opposed to initiating that on a patient such as an RSI.

- There is some additional clarification being worked on what doses of Ketamine will be given for low dose for pain management versus sedation of aggressive or violent patients. They are just aiming to clean up that language because it's currently unclear
2. Just as FYI - In the upcoming legislative session the bill on Firearms carry by EMS providers is likely to come up. It came up last year but was tabled

Training and Certification Committee

Craig advised that the committee met October 3rd in Richmond.

1. There was discussion amongst the regional director's about Safety in Schools and he has attended those meetings. He has a meeting with Delegate Cox today to discuss the recommendations on Safety in Schools. Dr. Reed Smith from Arlington is meeting him there. Some of the topics they'll discuss are:
 - Training for school staff such as "Be The Help Til Help Arrives" because CPR and First Aid aren't enough anymore
 - Encourage high schools in Virginia to implement EMT classes in their Career and Technical Education programs in schools. They can become certified as EMRs or EMTs and increase the infrastructure of who is on the scene first more robust instead of waiting 6-8+ minutes for EMS to arrive
 - Recognize and identify all personnel within a school that is certified as a first responder at the EMT or paramedic level. Currently, they rely heavily on the school nurse for medical issues but they are not prepared in an emergency when it occurs
 - They can then use internal policies on how to best utilize the resources they have such as using their students who are certified to enhance their response
 - Revision of the language which currently states something like "include public safety in the discussion" and the directors are recommending to include the wording "and the regional EMS Council" since the Council's help coordinate EMS in their regions and are the subject matter experts in EMS
2. Tom Olander advised that there was much discussion about the new testing standards that are in line with VEMSES and the national standard.
 - All scenarios have been distributed and exam sheets are out in distribution and most Education Coordinators attended the Council's Instructor Network meetings held at Station 440 over the summer
 - If you have any specific questions, please reach out to Tom for answers or so he can point you in the right direction
3. Craig advised that Billy Fritz just put approximately 15 new ECs through the process
4. The committee put together a work group to look at the testing and EC processes in general
5. EMS Training funds
 - The scholarship portion has been taken over by Chad Blosser, who was re-hired by OEMS, and he's done a series of webinars on the new process for ECs across the state. It will be done through the OEMS portal. Once students are in class, they have a 10-day window to apply for a scholarship for their class. This started October 1, 2018, but will be retro back to classes that started July 1 and later. Scholarship amounts are based on the Virginia Community College tuition rates

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- CE/Auxiliary program is still going through the Council. If you haven't returned your MOU to the Council and are interested in receiving these funds, please do so early so there are still funds available. The hope is to provide them a report showing the need for far more funds than we are currently receiving so they will continue to raise the amount and help provide a reasonable funding amount contrary to what the region is currently receiving.

Old Business

There was no old business to be addressed.

JURISDICTIONAL REPORTS

City of Alexandria

Deputy Chief Byron Andrews provided the following update:

1. Assistant Chief Povlitz has just accepted the Fire Chief position for Arlington County and starts November 5, 2018.
2. Still in transition mode with interns getting through their internship processes and hopefully by early November they should have their 4th ALS engine in service

Arlington County

Anne Marsh reported on the following updates:

1. They have added and ALS/BLS training Lieutenant Cheryl Long
2. Their new Fire Chief starting November 5th as was mentioned by Alexandria DC Andrews
3. They will be moving into new and exciting directions with Mobile Integrated Healthcare in Arlington County in the future and are looking forward to that
4. They are streamlining their probationary process for ALS trainees to get them a good combination Fire/EMS training basis before they are released. So far this is going well

City of Fairfax

Tom Olander advised there was no report this meeting.

Fairfax County Fire & Rescue

Jason Jenkins reported the following updates:

1. The new Fire Chief John Butler started September 4, 2018
2. They are in the process of filling 2 Assistant Chief positions and potentially 3 Deputy Chief positions
3. Recruit school is currently in session with a class of 25
4. They are nearing the end of their Intermediate to Paramedic transition and have completed 80 Intermediates so far
 - As of April 1, 2019, all personnel will be certified as either an EMT-B or Paramedic
 - The process has taken them approximately 3.5 years starting with 106 Intermediates and 80 successfully upgrading. The remainder are due to retire or have already so they were not included. They were able to leverage 2 AFG grants and 4-For-Life funds.

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Fairfax County Police Helicopter Division

Paul DeHaven reported the following update:

1. They have on person in paramedic school now
2. One student just completed paramedic school recently and is currently in in-house training
3. Their 24 EMT-Bs just attended a one week EMT Refresher class
4. They just completed training for approximately half of their patrol officers and specialty units (Narcotics, SWAT) on Narcan administration

Loudoun County

Deputy Chief Jose Salazar reported the following updates:

1. Recruit Class 37 just started with 35 members
2. Their first AEMT program just finished and they are starting their second at Station 23 and when Station 27 opens, they'll have some AEMTs on staff
3. They are holding an EMT-B to Paramedic class and Intermediate to Paramedic upgrade with a sunset date on Intermediates by 2020.
 - o They currently have 36 left
4. They just completed FACT*R Blood Program training with their EMS Supervisors
5. The new Assistant Chief of Operations is James Williams

City of Manassas

Deputy Chief Todd Lupton presented the following updates:

1. For those of you who haven't met her yet, their new OMD Danielle Pesce is in attendance.
 - She is the OMD for the Cities of Manassas and Manassas Park
2. They had 7 new Paramedics complete their orientation process and are out in field doing their internships now
3. They have one more hire to make by the end of October which will put them at full staffing
4. Matthew Fox has been promoted to Captain and will be going through some position transitioning in the next few months

City of Manassas Park

No representation

MWAA

Rick Bonnett advised that there was nothing to report.

Prince William Fire and Rescue

Bob Montminy reported the following updates:

1. Chief LaSalle is not in attendance at the meeting and may miss the upcoming meeting as well while he is resolving some health issues. Please keep him in your thoughts for a speedy and full recovery
2. They currently have a recruit class in session with approximately 35 participants
3. They recently completed an abbreviate recruit school for those with experience elsewhere and they are now in the field as of last week

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4. There are currently 6 people in their Paramedic program
5. They are still working on changing shifts and that is taking up most of their time and energy as they work through it

LifeCare

No representation

Northern Virginia Community College

Gary Sargent provided the following update:

1. Spring Semester registration starts November 12, 2018
 - Enrollment for this semester was good. There were 26 registered for EMT-Intermediate
2. They just received a SynDaver, synthetic cadaver, for their cadaver lab along with an anatomage table and they're hoping to order some ultrasound equipment soon, as well as KingVision and hi-fidelity manikins
3. He has also taken over the entire Science Technology program as the Interim Program Head
 - They do still have a Fire Science program but it isn't heavily marketed because they lost their Program Head a while back

OEMS Program Representative

No representation

PHI Aircare

No representation

Physicians Transport

No representation

HCA Reston Hospital Center

Keith Morrison provided the following updates:

1. Construction is continuing, and they should be out of the ED construction phase in the next month or two.
 - EMS entrance without the tunnel should be back to normal sometime in November
 - Hopefully, they will get to keep the 6 ambulance spots that they currently have
2. Next Tuesday, October 16th there will be an EMS event where they look over traumas as well as the sepsis program

HCA StoneSprings Hospital

Chris Schaff presented the following updates:

1. Chris is the new EMS Liaison, replacing Jaime Wolfin. He has been there about a month and is still trying to get acquainted with the position
2. PCI is up and running and they are hoping to get to STEMI by December

Inova Eastern Division

Jaime Wolfin presented the following update:

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1. An incident was identified recently at Mount Vernon Hospital where EMS has identified the patient as a psych patient and upon arrival, EMS gave the ED nurse their report stating the patient had an unassuming complaint as to not upset the patient since he was calm at the time. Unfortunately, the nurse and treating physician never got the hints or message that the patient was believed to be a psych patient and therefore wasn't treated as such. They are working on a pre-alert or some type of code word to use in the future to reduce these types of incidents.

Inova Fairfax Hospital

Danette Alexander provided the following updates:

1. Danette is the new Senior Director at Inova Fairfax ED and started about 2 ½ months ago. She came from a Level I Trauma Center in Hartford, CT with a much different EMS system with approximately 35 small EMS agencies and private companies
2. Inova Fairfax ED is having a ribbon-cutting event for their new EMS Room on October 24, 2018, and invitations are on the way. She will also forward it to Craig to disburse as well
 - They are hoping to represent their commitment to put forward a better relationship with EMS in the region
3. She is working with the Trauma Coordinator to create an EMS Liaison position and they are hoping to have more news on that soon and hopefully a position posted by the EMS Room event on October 24th.

New Business

1. President Hricik advised that he will be rotating off the Board at the end of the year per the bylaws, and unless voted upon otherwise, will the Vice President will matriculate up to President. This also leaves two open slots on the Board, Secretary/Treasurer and a new Vice President. At this point, he is looking to just build a nomination committee. The preference would be three to four people that haven't previously held a position. If you are nominated, the list of officers will be brought to the December meeting to be voted on.
2. President Hricik also advised that the Awards Committee will be formed earlier this year than in the past as the hope is to have the Annual Regional Awards Ceremony during the 2019 Northern Virginia Regional EMS Conference during EMS Week. We were fortunate to have a large number of Regional Award winners this year to represent the region at the upcoming EMS Symposium and we'd like to do the same again next year. Please start thinking about who you'd like on the Awards Committee but also who you can nominate so we can have a large pool again.
3. The Regional Trauma/PI Plan was emailed to everyone. This needs to be approved by the Board so it can be forwarded to OEMS as part of the Council's contract deliverables. There were no major changes in the manual
 - Motion made to accept the plan as written by John Chesek, seconded by Anne Marsh
 - Board unanimously approved

RSAF Fall Grant Cycle Grading

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AGENCY NAME	GRANT NUMBER	# Items	ITEM REQUESTED	Funding Level %	State Funds \$	Match \$	Score
Fairfax County Fire & Rescue	NV-C01/12-18	17	Blood and IV Fluid Warmer	50/50	\$20,459.00	\$20,459.00	2
Fairfax County Fire & Rescue	NV-C01/12-18	62	Hypothermia Life Blanket	50/50	\$29,405.00	\$29,405.00	2
Prince William County Fire & Rescue	NV-C02/12-18	6	Lucas 3.1 Mech. CPR Device	50/50	\$47,851.29	\$47,851.29	1
Prince William County Fire & Rescue	NV-C02/12-18	1	Medic 514 Replacement	50/50	\$172,812.50	\$172,812.50	3
Loudoun County Fire and Rescue	NV-C03/12-18	3	Training Lucas 3 Devices	50/50	\$16,607.50	\$16,607.50	1
Loudoun County Fire and Rescue	NV-C03/12-18	22	Life Blanket SOLO kits	50/50	\$11,282.50	\$11,282.50	2
Loudoun County Fire and Rescue	NV-C03/12-18	2	QinFlow IV and blood warmer	50/50	\$4,081.16	\$4,081.16	2
Arlington County Fire Dept.	NV-C04/12-18	1	HandTevy Application	50/50	\$1,897.50	\$1,897.50	1
Arlington County Fire Dept.	NV-C04/12-18	22	HandTevy Length Based Tape	50/50	\$495.00	\$495.00	1

Motion to adjourn 11:51 AM

The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held Thursday, December 13, 2018, at 10:00 am at City of Fairfax Station 403.

CERTIFICATION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Northern Virginia EMS Council
 7250 Heritage Village Plaza, Ste. 102
 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 October 11, 2018, 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 December 13, 2018, meeting of the Board of Directors of the Northern Virginia EMS Council.

12/13/2018

 Craig A. Evans
 Executive Director, Northern Virginia EMS Council

 Date