

District 9 EMS Meeting

May 23, 2016

Present: Alan Beebe (Woodstock), Scott Cooney (Hartford), Matt Herbert (Norwich), Lisa Lincock (Woodstock), (Sue Poirier (Plymouth), Mariah Whitcomb (Thetford), Cory Austin (West Fairlee), Tom Trimarco (Dartmouth)

Scott Cooney called the meeting to order at 1907

Secretaries report: Accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

- Savings: \$11,517.41
- Checking: \$2,089.92
 - Additional \$5,600 will go into checking .
 - Got \$ from Mariah. Will have to pay for books.
 - Sue will send Alan bill for EMR class.

The main purpose of the meeting was to elect the 2016 District 9 Officers. The slate of officers for the coming year are as follows:

- District Chair: Scott Cooney
- Vice Chair: Matt Herbert nominated by Mariah Whitcomb
- District Training Coordinator: Mariah Whitcomb nominated by Matt Hebert
- Treasurer: Alan Beebe nominated by Sue Poirier
- Secretary: Sue Poirier nominated by Mariah Whitcomb
- The slate of officers was unanimously voted approved for the coming year.

Training:

- The EMR course held in Plymouth completed
- Upper Valley's EMR course is finishing at the end of the month (May).
- 21 students are enrolled in the Thetford EMT class. 7 are on the waiting list.

- Reminder: The District 9 calendar is available for training officers to post their training opportunities. Have your squad's training officer email the class information to Mariah and she will post it on the calendar.
- There was discussion about whether District 9 should offer an EMT class in fall. There was consensus that it may be more important to do an AEMT class in Fall. Mariah and Alan will teach the AEMT class in the Fall at the Hartford FD.
 - Mt Ascutney has been good to let AEMT students do patient assessment.
- A call for VT EMS conference speakers ends the end of May. Just write up an abstract for approval.
- Grants -
 - We have the responsibility to run a required amount of district training to access grant money that can be used to buy equipment and provide additional district training. Proposal: Use some of the grant money to provide partial sponsorship of Tactical Emergency Medical Care - to work in the warm zone. The class is taught by a group in CT that is certified to teach the course by National. It is a 16 hr course offered over a weekend. The partial sponsorship would be to have the District cover travel costs for consultant and part of tuition. \$250 cost right now and will get further estimate of costs.
 - ALERRT: Hartford PD was familiar with ALERRT program which is similar. They are sending someone to do active shooter program at the conference.
 - The State is offering active shooter training. They have done 4 trainings so far. How to operate in warm zone based on Windsor FD protocol. A task force was put together to develop this class.
 - Motion: District to underwrite a TECC class at \$100/student leaving \$150 to the students to cover (total class cost = \$250). Mariah proposed and Matt seconded. Important to run course. Important to have someone to pay partial tuition. This is information that can be disseminated to the squads. We need to partner with law enforcement. Before committing to the company, send out email to training officers. Course covers purely EMS (stuff wounds, tourniquet, wounded responders, dragging and carrying pts, evacuation. If support for the course falls through we are not on the hook for any money. It will happen whether we support it or not. Great opportunity to send one or two members in a squad to this training.
 - Proposed class dates: Aug 21-22 or 27-28 in Thetford at the academy..
 - Passed

- Some paramedics interested in CE: Sponsor a day (e.g. cardiology) Alan will contact Dave Tauber to see how much he charges for Con Ed. We would use grant \$

Medical Director Report

- Fly car up and running and Dr. T tries to go on the call. This is mostly an education call to give pointers, etc. If we want Dr. T on a call they are working on it...can call on the phone or call dispatch.
- Reminder: tomorrow night is EMS dinner and lecture on cardiac arrest and high performance CPR. Will be streaming on line. Will meet in auditorium C & D off main rotunda. Dinner at 6.
- Medications: There is about a 72 hrs turn around time. There is an emergency mechanism in place and must be done in the pharmacy. It will take a little time. Medication ordering sheet updated and should be to agencies that get their meds from Dartmouth.
 - Swop morphine for dilaudid ? Also did some change around for Ketamine.
- DH had some glitches about accepting EKGs from the field. They will be able to accept transmitted EKGs from the field. Will be setting up an email address to be able to use ems.ekg@hitchcock.org . however they are not quite ready to fully accept yet from all. Nurses etc. will not get prompted that the EKG was sent so inform them when you make the patch.
- Paramedic agencies will have crip training by the end of June to have all completed by Sept.
- NH is going forward with high performance CPR protocol...almost complete. Helps focus on what resources we have and how to better use those resources. This focuses on individual roles for each provider and the first 10 minutes of a code: shocking when appropriate, delaying advanced airway etc.
- Future requests:
 - RSI request...long term goal.
 - Can we have access to the sim lab (Mobile or DH)? Mobile is available for pediatric training.
 - Nitrous oxide use
- Paramedics are now working in ER. Working well.
- Looking for an August leadership meeting at DH.

Other Business:

- Regional meeting with State EMS is happening in Bennington.
- Clay is on Siren Elite committee. Siren Elite is similar to field bridge.
- MCI: Haven't done one in a long time. Want to get a committee together for MCI planning. Mariah to chair committee. Scott will help. Corey to help. Dr. T to help. It is one of the charges of the district.
- Last Tues. had a 'Celebrate EMS' event at the capital. It was well attended. A few new things were added this year including a BP clinic. Having in middle of week is not the best and will have on a weekend next year.
- Bridges 1/2 Marathon upcoming (send hyperthermia protocol to Scott...Dr. T)
- Proposal handed out re course reimbursement. Will vote on it next meeting.

Adjourned at 2008.

Respectfully Submitted

Sue Poirier, secretary