

GMVEMS Council
General Meeting
January 26, 2016

MINUTES

PRESENT:

David Gerstner, GMVEMSC President/DFD
Mark Senseman, GMVEMSC President Elect
Scott Melling, Wayne Health Care
Marla Werner, KHN
Aimee Maychack, KHN
Kristi Branson, Wilson Health/Houston Rescue
Jeremy Lane, Atrium
Mike Dodds, Quincy
Chris Marker, Monroe Fire
Paula Creech, Clayton Fire
Tim Holman, German Township
Richard Craig, German Township
Brad Brough, WSU
Ric Speakman, WSU
Chris Brock, Fairborn Fire
Patrick Ricketts, Fairborn Fire
Eric Schott, Fairborn Fire
Andy Riddiough, JEMS
John Holbrook, Washington TWP
Josh Johnson, Sugar creek TWP
Steve DuBois, Beaver creek Fire
Dan Welty, Christiansburg Fire
Vance McCulla, Piqua Fire

Chris Kyer, KHN/QA
Donna Clark, Franklin Fire
Barb Hammersley, Box 21
Ro Bowman, Med Pro
Ryan Konkel, KHN
Marla Werner, KHN
Heather Koss, Dayton Children's
Julie Miller, Mason Fire
Chris Vecchi, Clearcreek Fire
Nicole Mowell, Springfield Regional
Brian Leciejewski, Springfield Fire
William Devir, Washington Twp Fire
Tony Alexander, KHN
Dan Alldred, Germantown Fire
Brendan Deere, MVH/Drug Bag Chair
Brad Kennedy, JSP Fire/Champaign County
Bryan Eagle, Buckeye Ambulance
Laura Clark, GSH/Infection Control
Andy Harp, Miami Valley Fire District
Elizabeth Evans, MVH South
Alex Kuhn, American Heart Association
Jim Shiverdecker, Med Trans
Sandy Lehrter, GDAHA/GMVEMSC

Call to Order: The January 26, 2016 general meeting of the Greater Miami Valley EMS Council was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by President David Gerstner. All attendees were introduced.

A motion was made and approved to accept an amended agenda to allow for voting on membership for Sidney Police Department.

Secretary's Report: The draft minutes of the November 17, 2015 Council meeting were presented by Sandy Lehrter and were approved.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

President's Report: David Gerstner reported that Council continues to work with multiple groups in the region to address the heroin epidemic. He reported that he was interviewed by the Ohio Attorney General's office regarding the issue and a camera crew participated in a ride along with the Dayton Fire Department. He noted that he discussed Council's collaboration with Public Health and ADAMHS to address the opiate issues in the region. David has asked the state for a report on Narcan use in our region and he will share that information at one of the Council meetings once it has been provided.

David reported that he will be showing an FBI video regarding active shooter incidents after today's meeting for anyone that is interested in staying after to watch.

Executive Committee Report: David reported that the Executive Committee information will be shared in the Committee Reports during this meeting.

Membership: It was noted that the agenda was revised to due a last minute addition of a membership request. The following new memberships were requested and approved:

- Madison Township Fire & EMS
- Wilson Health Patient Transport
- Sidney Police Department

The following voting representative and alternate change was requested and approved:

- Englewood Fire Department: Pat Aldrich

The following EMS Coordinator memberships were approved:

- Aimee Maychack – Sycamore Medical Center
- Marla Werner – Preble County Emergency Center/KHN

Committee Reports:

A. Administration

Budget & Finance: No report.

Code of Regulations/ Legal: No report.

Nominating: No report.

Public Relations: David Gerstner reminded Council members to nominate people for available awards.

Website Advisory Committee: David Gerstner asked Sandy Lehrter to contact LRS to determine where we are in the process of switching the Council website format.

Social Media Committee: Chris Marker provided an update regarding the success and growth of the Council Facebook page. It was noted that the Committee has begun recognizing an “agency of the month” and that has generated interest and followers. Anyone with information they would like to share on the page should send it to Kate Nolan or Brian Phillips.

Communications Committee: David Gerstner reported that the Committee had their first meeting and anyone interested in being members should contact Nathan Hiester or Brian Garver.

B. Medical:

Drug Bag Exchange: Brendan Deere reported that a meeting with the hospital pharmacists was held at the beginning of January to discuss topics related to the drug bag program and the expenses involved. He noted that they are looking into ways to cut some of the costs to the hospitals. Brendan reported that they also discussed the possibility of using a scanning or tracking system for the bags.

Brendan noted that a drug bag update will take place sometime in April and discussed potential changes. And changes will be presented to the RPAB to be voted on prior being done.

Brendan reported that Council will begin doing random audits of member agencies in the Standing Orders database to verify compliance with the drug bag program participation requirements.

Brendan note the DEA has expressed interest in removing controlled substances from the drug bags and ending one to one exchanges of bags.

He discussed possible future drug shortages and noted that prefilled syringes are on a watch list. If there is a shortage a message will be sent out on the listserv to make agencies aware.

Brendan reported that the 2016 drug license update letter template will be sent out soon. He noted that agencies may not be required to have their letter signed by their Medical Director since there are no new drugs being added. Since member agencies were previously required to relinquish their DEA numbers Brendan noted that if asked for the number during the online renewal process you should enter a series of zeros for the number. Brendan stated that all member agencies must provide Sandy Lehrter with a copy of their updated license once they receive it and noted that not submitting a copy could result in being excluded from the drug bag program.

David Gerstner recognized Brendan for his work on the drug bag program.

Quality Assurance: Chris Kyer reported that the first meeting in 2016 will be held on February 2nd. He discussed new operating guidelines and American Heart Association Mission Lifeline. Chris noted that the meeting on February 2nd will be used to discuss plans moving forward in reference to measurement and reports that will be built from that.

Standing Orders: A survey will be sent out to gauge interest in QRG books.

Infection Control: Laura Clark reported that the Committee will be meeting next week and will have an update to provide to Council after they review the new draft of their plan.

Pre-Hospital Care:

Education Committee: Tony Alexander provided an overview of the CBT protocol process to date. He discussed both positive and negative feedback that has been received regarding the new process. It was reported that Denny Powell will be sending out proctor codes to those that were identified for the role on their department's Recommendation Form.

Research: David Gerstner reported that Adam Howard has resigned as chair of the Committee due to other obligations. Council is actively looking for a chair and anyone interested should let David know. Information was provided regarding Pre Hospital Care Plans and Community Paramedicine optional plans.

C. Ad Hoc Committees:

CLIA: Sandy Lehrter reported that there will no longer be a fee required for member agencies to be covered under the GMVEMSC CLIA certificate of Waiver. New participation forms will be sent out on the list serv as soon as they are finalized. Contact Sandy to determine if your agency is already on the list that Council has on file with ODH.

EMS Run Sheets Electronic Health Record Integration: David Gerstner reported that the group continues to move forward on the project but don't have a timeline yet.

Organization Reports:

MC Fire Chiefs Association: No report.

Miami Valley Fire/ EMS Alliance: David reported that they have signed an agreement with Amerinet to help their member agencies save money on contracts.

State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire and Transportation Services (EMFTS): No report.

RPAB, Division 3: No report.

SORTS: No report.

GDAHA: Sandy Lehrter reported that the GDAHA offices will be moving to a new location sometime in May 2016. More information will be shared when the exact timeframe has been determined.

Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS): David Gerstner provided information regarding an upcoming tabletop Ebola training taking place in March and a three day virtual pandemic flu training in May. He reported that he is in the process of going to every county in our region to give a presentation and provide information regarding all of the resources that are available in our area.

David reported that OHTrac is operational and has been used in both exercises and actual emergencies and discussed capabilities of the system. He noted that the state has funded the development of an OHTrac app that would allow logged in users to input information during an incident.

David noted that MMRS continues to work on preparations for Ebola related incidents and special pathogens. He reported that they are still looking for agencies that are interested in being part of the special transport group.

Old Business:

- **Trauma Bill Update:** Mark Senseman reported that HB 261 is still in the health subcommittee, it has been slow moving due to some pushback from fire and EMS Chief groups. Mark noted that if you google HB 261 you will find the most current update on the bill. He has requested position statements from groups that are in opposition to the bill and he will share the information with Council when he obtains it. It was noted that biggest concern with the bill is that if it passes EMS would be regulated by two different state boards.

New Business:

- David Gerstner reported that HB 64 has passed, allowing schools to put a lock on their door during school hours. A draft version of the rules pertaining to the bill was distributed at the meeting.
- David provided information regarding the DEA Controlled Substances Act. He noted that the EMFTS Medical Director has expressed support for the Act. The bill is written for departments that purchase their own drugs and Dr. Marriott has expressed concern that passage of the Act could jeopardize the GMVEMSC drug bag program. It was noted that there may be a need to lobby in the future. David reported that, due to the amount of EMS related legislative issues its necessary for Council to create a legislative committee. Information regarding the committee will be sent out on the listserv. It was noted

that Council could have an impact if the legislators were aware of the size of Council membership and the region we cover.

- David provided information regarding MediSoft grants that may be available for Council. He noted that Council will be creating a Grant Committee to review options when they arise.

Educational/Organization Announcements:

- Sugarcreek TWP will be hosting a HazMat tech class in February; their Chief is retiring and an open house will be held on February 19th.
- Premier is holding a 12 lead class on January 29th and other classes in February and March and information will be sent out on listserv
- Dayton Children's is now offering online continuing education opportunities, the access information will be sent out on the listserv
- Alex Kuhn reported that HB 113 will go to the House Committee for a vote; the bill will require that all high school graduates must learn CPR. The Lifeline award application process is open until March 2016
- Ryan Konkell noted that KHN is holding an Evening of Cardiac Health event at Wilson Health on February 17th; the KHN Trauma Team now has a Facebook page
- The Council Education Committee will be meeting on January 29th at 12:00 p.m. at GDAHA
- KHN will be holding educational events on February 26th, March 17th and March 18th, the information will be sent out on the listserv

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:32 pm.