

GMVEMS Council
General Meeting
March 22, 2016

MINUTES

PRESENT:

David Gerstner, GMVEMSC President/DFD
Mark Senseman, GMVEMSC Pres. Elect/Premier
Laura Clark, Good Samaritan/Infection Control
Scott Melling, Wayne Health Care
Jim Reynolds, Ohio Medical Transport
Beth Karaciz, Buckeye Ambulance
Nicole Mowell, Springfield Regional
Kate Nolan, Grandview Hospital/Social Media
Eric Burns, Tri-Village Rescue
Wade Dexter, Troy Fire
Leslie Dalton, Mad River/Treasurer
Chad Follick, Vandalia/GMVFC/Inf. Control
Sara Beckman, Minster Area Life Squad
Jeremy Lane, Legislative Comm/Atrium

Paula Creech, Clayton Fire
Steve DuBois, Beavercreek Fire
Vance McCulla, Piqua Fire
Donna Clark, Franklin Fire
Barb Hammersley, Box 21
Ryan Konkel, KHN
Chris Vecchi, Clearcreek Fire
William Devir, Washington Twp Fire
Dan Alldred, Germantown Fire
Brendan Deere, MVH/Drug Bag Chair
Bryan Eagle, Buckeye Ambulance
Andy Harp, Miami Valley Fire District
Jim Shiverdecker, Med Trans
Sandy Lehrter, GDAHA/GMVEMSC

Call to Order: The March 22, 2016 general meeting of the Greater Miami Valley EMS Council was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President David Gerstner. All attendees were introduced.

Secretary's Report: The draft minutes of the January 26, 2016 Council meeting were presented by Sandy Lehrter. The minutes were approved after a correction was noted on page 3.

Treasurer's Report: Leslie Dalton provided an update regarding deferred income, AR and noted that the annual audit was recently completed but information is not yet available.

President's Report: David Gerstner reported that Dr. Jim Augustine will be working on collecting run data from member departments. Council will be providing him with contact information for department chiefs.

Executive Committee Report: David provided an overview of the Ohio Attorney General's visit and ride along with Dayton Fire Department in response to the opiate problem in our region. He noted that the data that he provided in his overview for 2013 through 2016 does not include DFD because they stopped reporting to the state electronically in 2013. The data is all EMS numbers and does not include police administration of narcan or doses administered by a family member or friend. Anyone interested in obtaining a copy of the presentation should contact David.

David noted that Council is working on putting together a Procedural Orders document and discussed the reasons for creating it. It will include information regarding situations that arise that require Council involvement but are not including in our regular Standing Orders, such as a recent inquiry about transport of service animals with patients.

David reported that Council currently has two committees working on the issues surrounding mental health and transport issues.

A discussion was held regarding the ability to make the conference call line available for all Council meeting and the cost involved. The group discussed possible alternatives to using the call in line, it was noted that the call in line costs 10 cents per connection per minute. David noted that there are other possible issues involved in using the call in line for meetings aside from the costs involved. Following the discussion it was determined that Council will begin offering an alternate method of remote meeting participation before the end of the year but the timeframe will be determined by the relocation of the GDAHA offices.

David reported that continuing education credits can be done through Questbase but the presentation has to be at least 30 minutes long, include a brief quiz at the end, and courses must be approved by the chair of the Education Committee.

Membership:

The following EMS Coordinator membership change was approved:

- Jeremy Lane – Atrium Medical Center

Committee Reports:

A. Administration

Budget & Finance: No report available, an update will be given at the next meeting.

Code of Regulations/ Legal: No report.

Nominating: In Chris Marker's absence, David Gerstner reported that Chris had informed him that per the Code of Regulation, Council has to reappoint the Nominating Committee members. A motion was made and the reappointment of the current members of the Committee was approved.

Public Relations: No report but David Gerstner reminded Council members to nominate people for available awards.

Website Advisory Committee: David Gerstner reported that a new Chair would be announced soon.

Social Media Committee: Kate Nolan provided an overview of the material that is provided on the Council Facebook page. She noted that they are monitoring the type of content that people like and noted that cardiology and pediatrics seems to most popular.

Communications Committee: No report.

Legislative & Advocacy: Jeremy Lane provided an overview of Ohio House Bill 113, proposed legislation on stroke care, Ohio House Bill 261, Ohio Senate Bill 165, Ohio Senate Bill 248 and Federal HR 4365. He noted that Council has sent a letter of support to Senator Peggy Lehner regarding HB 165. The next meeting of the committee will take place on April 8th.

Grants: In Brad Kennedy's absence David Gerstner reported that he has been working on grant research.

B. Medical:

Drug Bag Exchange: Brendan Deere reported that a drug bag update will take place on April 19th and discussed potential changes. He noted that information regarding the changes being made will be sent out on the listserv in advance. David suggested sending out a reminder multiple times in advance.

Brendan reminded the group that all agencies are required to submit a copy of their current drug license to Council as part of the drug bag program participation agreement. He also noted that run sheets are due within 3 hours of end of the run.

Quality Assurance: No report.

Standing Orders: Jack Mix noted that a JITSO will be sent out to cover the drug bag changes. He discussed possible standing order changes for 2017 and asked that any suggestions be sent to him as soon as possible.

Infection Control: Chad Follick reported that the draft of the Infection Control policy has been reviewed and approved by the Montgomery County Coroner's office. It has been sent to the Montgomery County Fire Chiefs Association for review and he will be meeting with the GDAHA Infection Control Committee in April. It will then go to the RPAB. He noted that it is formatted so that individual departments can edit it to make it their own.

C. Pre-Hospital Care:

Education Committee: A discussion was held regarding CBT importing issues related to the Standing Orders database. David noted that the testing statistics that were shared were current as of March 15th.

Research: David Gerstner reported that Troy Bonfield is the new Committee Chair and noted that the next meeting will be held in two weeks.

Pediatric: No report.

D. Ad Hoc Committees:

CLIA: No report.

EMS Run Sheets Electronic Health Record Integration: No report.

Organization Reports:

MC Fire Chiefs Association: No report.

Miami Valley Fire/ EMS Alliance: No report.

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

RPAB, Division 3: Jack Mix reported that there will be several Standing Orders changes for 2017. He noted that the changes involve Apparent Life Threatening Events (ALT), pediatric information being added and crush protocol. David Gerstner discussed the American Heart Association awards and noted that the entry period ends in March.

SORTS: David Gerstner reported that the group met a month ago. He noted that they are now able to collect data from the state database.

GDAHA: Sandy Lehrter provided an update regarding the upcoming office move. More information will be shared when the exact timeframe has been determined.

Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS):

David noted that grant money is still available for Ebola related training that will be held at Calamityville. MMRS will be buying PPE and isopods for participating agencies. A dispatch center meeting was held on March 17th to discuss how to effectively request regional and unusual assets.

David provided an update regarding the MARCS radio changes. He noted that the GDAHA hospitals have agreed to purchase a radio for mass casualties only.

MMRS is working with GDAHA and others to improve MCI communications and response, and may start using the "Triage Tuesday" concept, but only use it quarterly.

Upcoming Exercises in the Region:

- David Gerstner provided information regarding a full scale exercise being held at the Dayton Airport on May 13th. He noted that they are in need of additional EMS transport crews; any interested department should contact Chief Bales. There will be a full scale regional Haz-Mat exercise on May 19th and they are in need of transport crews. Interested departments should contact Denny Bristow. There will be a regional functional pandemic exercise held in May. David noted that in this exercise the participants will be making phone calls but not actually moving people and apparatus.

Old Business:

- Trauma Bill Update: This topic will be moved to the Legislative & Advocacy Committee heading.

Educational/Organization Announcements:

- Sinclair will be holding EMS Instructor and Fire Instructor classes.
- Chris Vecchi will be traveling to Thailand for 2 weeks with 5 other instructors to teach EMS at the Ministry of Health in June.
- A 12-Lead refresher will be held at Good Samaritan North on April 27th
- Sign-ups are available for Care Flight ride alongs
- Kettering Health Network Trauma Team now has a Facebook page

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.