

GMVEMS Council
General Meeting
May 22, 2018

PRESENT:

Andy Harp, Miami Valley Fire District
Mark Senseman, UVMC/ GMVEMSC President
David Gerstner, DFD/MMRS/Pres. Elect
Joanna Pittinger, Tipp City
Kevin Pruszynski, Oakwood
Justin Buehler, Clearcreek Fire
Dr. M. Jones, Oakwood
Sarah Whitaker, Oakwood
Dan Welty, Christiansburg
Andy Riddiough, JEMS
Tom Kaeff, AMR
Dallas Davis, Sidney Fire
Chad Follick, Vandalia Fire

Carter Schumann, Bethel TWP (Clark)
Brian Garver, Clayton Fire
Ross Bales, MMRS Intern
Eric Cook, Wayne Healthcare
John Russell, Huber Heights Fire
Keith Knisely, Huber Heights Fire
Heather Koss, Dayton Children's
Brad Kennedy, JSP Fire/Grants
Barbara Hammersley, Box 21
Chris Vecchi, KHN/ Website
Justin Palmer, KHN
Sandy Lehrter, GDAHA/GMVEMSC
Ryan Burke, UC Health

Call to Order: The May 22, 2018 general meeting of the Greater Miami Valley EMS Council was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President Mark Senseman. All attendees were introduced.

Secretary's Report: The draft minutes from the March 27, 2018 Council meeting were accepted with corrections to the attendance list.

Treasurer's Report: Leslie Dalton provided an overview of the current financials discussing accounts receivable and deferred income and noted that the 2018 dues invoices have not been sent out yet.

President's Report: Mark reported that the first half of the Fortune Magazine article regarding the opioid crisis has been posted on their website. He noted that the second half related to EMS will be posted in the near future.

Executive Committee Report: No report.

Membership: No report.

Committee Reports:

A. Administration

Budget & Finance: No report.

Code of Regulations/ Legal: No report.

Nominating: No report.

Public Relations: Joanna Pittinger presented the Norma Dittrick Award to Sarah Whitaker of Oakwood Public Safety.

Website Advisory Committee: Chris Vecchi reported that the new protocol app will be available on June 1st. He provided an overview of the app's updates and capabilities.

Social Media Committee: No report.

Communications Committee: Brian Garver provided an update related to concerns regarding the end of life of the Physio 3G modems. He noted that the 4G modems aren't out yet and the end of life for the 3G modems is December 2019. When the 4G switch does occur they will last 6 to 7 years. He noted that a discussion will need to take place in the future regarding how the changeover will be funded. The hospitals paid for the upgrade to 3G when it took place. A discussion was held regarding cost comparisons of the use of hotspots and Wi-Fi instead.

Legislative & Advocacy Committee: Jeremy Lane noted that the group met in early May and discussed national drug shortages, Board of Pharmacy inspection concerns related to drug bag storage, and interpretation of rules.

Grants Committee: Brad Kennedy provided an update and reported that they are waiting for responses regarding 4 grants that they have applied for. It was noted that the committee is coordinating a grant writing class that will be offered to members of Council when available.

B. Medical:

Drug Bag Exchange: It was reported that atropens have been removed from all of the drug bags because the extension has been cancelled by the FDA. They will be restocked as soon as possible.

CQI: No report.

Standing Orders: David reported that Jack Mix has started working on the 2019 protocols and welcomes any suggestions or input.

Infection Control: No report.

C. Pre-Hospital Care:

Education Committee: John Russell noted that the deadline for protocol testing is May 31st. He discussed issues related to certificates not being delivered and asked that anyone having that issue contact him or Alex Brahm.

Research: David reported that the group has been working on Community Paramedicine and opioid related issues. He reviewed ongoing talks with Anthem related to potential payment for community paramedicine but noted that there is nothing new to report at this time.

Pediatric: Heather Koss discussed updates being made at the state level, injury prevention training online and the potential for national guideline changes to impact Ohio Scope of Practice.

D. Ad Hoc Committees

EMS Run Sheets Electronic Health Record Integration: David reported that the group hopes to meet soon to review some new opportunities. He noted that he will be reaching out to the hospital EMS Coordinators to determine the correct people at the hospitals to involve in the meeting.

Response to Violence Against EMS: No report.

Organization Reports:

MC Fire Chiefs Association: David reported that region has received a grant from Homeland Security related to laser identification.

Miami Valley Fire/ EMS Alliance: Andy Harp discussed CPAT, Health and Wellness Committee changes, and a free cancer screening this month for first responders.

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

RPAB, Division 3: No report.

SORTS: Ryan Konkell gave an update from the recent meeting noting that they reviewed additional data points and QI statistics.

GDAHA: No report.

Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS): David reported that the NFPA active shooter standard is now available. He reported that the Mumbai Committee will meet soon to review and make changes to the regional plan to make it more streamlined. It was noted that the RTF plan is already compliant with the national plan.

Old Business: No report.

New Business:

- File of Life – Kim Melnick and Kerry Smoot from the Montgomery County Prosecutors office presented information regarding the File of Life program. The program provides a way for people to have emergency contact and medication information on hand for first responders to use in the event of a situation in which they can't relay the information themselves. Montgomery County agencies can obtain File of Life materials from the County Prosecutors office. Agencies outside the county can obtain them from File of Life directly online.
- Withdrawal Management Unit – Bryan Bucklew from GDAHA discussed the plans for a Withdrawal Management Unit in the region as a partnership between Kettering Health Network, Premier, ADAMHS and Montgomery County. He provided an overview of services, potential staffing and the tentative timeline for development.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:24 pm.