

GMVEMS Council
General Meeting
May 26, 2015

MINUTES

PRESENT:

David Gerstner, GMVEMSC President/DFD
Bryan Betsinger, Beaver Creek TWP Fire
Steve Wenning, Greenville TWP Rescue
Andy Harp, Miami Valley Fire District
Bill Engelland, Ohio Medical Transport
Jenny Hartman, Pitchin Fire
Leslie Dalton, Enon Fire/Clark County Alt./Treas.
Laura Clark, GSH
Edmund Burke, Moraine Fire
William Devir, Washington TWP
Aimee Maychack, UVMC/GSH
Elizabeth Evans, MVH/MVHS/MVJ
Tony Stringer, Past President/MVCTC
Chris Kyer, QI/KHN
Marla Werner, KHN
Randy Groesbeck, UD Rescue
Dan Welty, Champaign County/Christiansburg Fire
Wade Dexter, Miami County Alt./Troy Fire
Chris Marker, Butler County/Monroe Fire
Lyndsay Sanders, PR/KHN

Dan Alldred, Germantown Fire
Dixie Kirkland, PR/GVH
Donna Clark, Franklin Fire
Brian Garver, Clayton Fire
Mandy Via, CareFlight/Premier Health
Alex Kuhn, American Heart Association
Athena Haus, Bellbrook Fire
Anne Berdanier, Box 21
Kristi Branson, Wilson Hospital/Houston Rescue
Tony Alexander, Atrium/Mason
Brendan Deere, MVH
Mark Senseman, Pres.-Elect/Tipp City EMS
Joshua Ingham, KHN
Nicole Mowell, Springfield Regional
Patricia Bernitt, GDAHA
Sandy Lehrter, GDAHA/GMVEMSC
Evan Brumbaugh, UVMC
Brian Leciejewski, Springfield Fire
Bryan Eagle, Buckeye Ambulance

Call to Order: The May 26, 2015 general meeting of the Greater Miami Valley EMS Council was called to order at 2:04 p.m. by President David Gerstner. All attendees were introduced. A motion was made to accept the revised agenda which included a new member request, the motion carried and the agenda was accepted.

Secretary's Report: Sandy Lehrter provided the group with the minutes of the March 24, 2015 Council meeting. The minutes were accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Leslie Dalton provided an overview of the current financial status of Council regarding expenses and revenue, deferred income and accounts receivable.

President's Report: David Gerstner discussed issues that have been raised recently concerning the transport of mental health patients. He reported that there is a group working on the topic and addressing issues related to transport destinations, particularly pediatric patients, and the mental health crisis in our community.

David reported that the electronic patient care report group has been reinstated. He noted that a new vendor has expressed interest and the group is hoping to meet sometime in July to review their information.

Executive Committee Report: David Gerstner provided a review of the sponsor membership discussion that was held at a previous Council meeting. He reported that he appointed an ad hoc committee that is working on clarifying the description provided in the Code of Regulations. Updates will be provided as available.

David provided background information regarding the Public Health Montgomery County clean needle distribution program. The program involves distributing clean needles to IV drug users to help combat the spread of HIV. Public Health previously inquired about the possibility of EMS providers distributing the

pamphlets to patients. David reported that he has requested additional information from the County but has not yet received it. Updates will be provided as available.

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Committee Reports:

A. Administration

Budget & Finance: No report.

Code of Regulations/ Legal: Mark Senseman reported that the committee is currently working on officer description changes.

Nominating: No report.

Public Relations: Dixie Kirkland noted that any information regarding upcoming retirements should be sent to her so she can send an acknowledgment.

Website Advisory Committee: No report.

Social Media Committee: David Gerstner noted that anyone is welcome to participate on the committee and if interested should contact him, Sandy Lehrter or Brian Phillips. David provided an overview of the Facebook page activity and requested that anymore with material to post should send it to Brian Phillips.

B. Medical:

Drug Bag Exchange: Brendan Deere reported that the drug bag update is scheduled to take place on May 27th. He noted that any agency with a bag that doesn't get exchanged should let him know so other arrangements can be made. He asked that anyone who finds they have a bag that hasn't been updated with the new drugs should bring it to the attention of the pharmacy. Brendan stated that we require the updates be completed in a timely manner because of Board of Pharmacy requirements. It was noted that the virtual drug bag on the Council website has been updated as well.

Brendan reported that some new drug bags that will be going into circulation in a few months will be made out of a material that can be sanitized better than the older cloth ones. The older bags will eventually be phased out as they age.

Brendan noted that Tim Erskine has released the FAQ list and reported that the Board of Pharmacy has been doing more random inspections. David Gerstner suggested that all agencies read the new list.

Brendan provided information regarding epinephrine and bicarb shortages.

Quality Assurance: Chris Kyer reported that the next meeting of the QA committee will be held on June 2nd at 11:30 a.m. Data should be sent to him in preparation for the meeting. Chris noted that there has been good turnout for the recent meetings and noted that agencies are welcome to send their data even if they are not able to attend.

Standing Orders: David reported that the Standing Orders committee has been working jointly with the Continuing Education committee to prepare the 2016 protocols. He noted that any suggestions regarding the orders should be brought to the attention of Jack Mix.

C. Pre-Hospital Care:

Education Committee: Bill Mangas discussed concerns regarding the increased number of requests for a third attempt at the protocol tests in 2015. He provided an overview of the testing requirements and rules that are included in the Implementation Guide. Bill noted that the Continuing Education and Standing Orders committee will need volunteers to help write test questions for 2016 and working on the electronic testing options.

Research: David Gerstner reported that the committee has been very active and they are working on potential changes to Ohio laws that would enable true use of Community Paramedicine.

D. Ad Hoc Committees:

Run Sheets/ Data: No report.

Ohio Incidence Run Report Form: No report.

Organization Reports:

MC Fire Chiefs Association: It was reported that a Red Cross representative provided the group with information regarding their reorganization.

Miami Valley Fire/ EMS Alliance: No report.

Ohio Emergency Medical Services: Bryan Betsinger reported on improved trauma assessment goals that were discussed.

RPAB, Division 2: No report.

SORTS: David Gerstner reported that SORTS has not met since January. He noted that there has been talk of revising trauma triage guidelines locally.

GDAHA: No report.

Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS): David Gerstner provided an overview of the Blowing in the Wind tornado exercise. He noted that the training involved 9 counties, 20 hospitals, and public health, EMAs, law enforcement, MMRS and GDAHA. He thanked all those that participated.

David reported that the Ohio Department of EMS has used the Dayton MMRS Collaborative Rescue Task Force plan as a template for the position paper adopted by the Ohio EMFTS Board. The position paper is on the Ohio EMS website.

The regional radiological plan will be finished in the next 90 days and reviewers are needed.

Membership:

New membership was requested Care Flight Air and Mobile. After a discussion a motion was made and accepted to approve the membership request.

Old Business:

- Trauma Bill Update – No report.

New Business:

- Awards – David reported that the emergency medicine resident of the year has been voted on by the GMVEMSC Executive Committee.
 - Follow-up: the award was presented to Jeremy Moore, MD at the WSU DEM graduation.
- It was announced that Patricia Kincer has been selected to receive the Norma Dittrick Extra Measure of Service Award. Patricia was not able to attend the meeting and she will be given her award at another time.
 - Follow-up: the award was presented to Pat at the Combined Standing Orders/Education Committee meeting on July 14.
- Patricia Bernitt and Dixie Kirkland were each presented with the Tom Long Lifetime Achievement award.

Educational/Organization Announcements:

- Pitchin Fire has a unit going into service the first week of June.
- Alex Kuhn from the American Heart Association announced that 4 member agencies have achieved the silver award level in the Mission Lifeline program: Springfield Fire, Dayton Fire, Kettering Fire and Fairborn Fire. David asked Alex if it would be possible for Council and the regional community to receive some sort of recognition for working together to achieve the accomplishments.
- Tony Alexander reported that a Dinner and a Show continuing education opportunity regarding blast injuries and OB trauma will be held on June 25th at the Atrium.
- Box 21 will be conducting an EMR training in June.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:01 p.m.