

**EMS Operations Committee Minutes
September 13, 2016
DTCI- Large Conference Room
801 Sycolin Road
1900 Hours**

Co. 4	Cheryl Aycock
Co. 6	Absent
Co. 9	Derrick Bennett
Co. 12	Andrew O'Connell
Co. 13	Anthony Mino
Co. 14	Earl Hall
Co. 15	Byron Andrews
Co. 17	Rodney Krone
EMS Council	Absent
LCFR	DC Salazar, Danielle Brosan and Christine Langley-Obaugh
OMD	Dr. Morgan
StoneSprings	Jamie Wolfin
Reston Hospital	Keith Morrison
Inova Loudoun	Johanna Kushan

1. Call to order

Chief Andrews, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1900 hours.

2. Roll Call

3. Approve August meeting minutes

A motion to approve the August 9, 2016 minutes was made and the motion was seconded by Cheryl Aycock. All are in favor with no opposition or abstentions. Motion carried.

4. Chairman's Report

Chairman Andrews advised that the August Executive Committee packet was distributed electronically.

Chair Andrews advised that a Strategic Planning Retreat will be held on September 16-September 17.

5. OMD-Dr. John Morgan

Dr. Morgan advised he is fully engaged as OMD.

6. System Reports

a. LCFR- DC Jose Salazar

RSAF Grants are due by September 15th. Please advise if grants are being submitted.

Symposium Registration is on-going.

HealthNet8 Aeromedical Service- A new helicopter service out of Martinsburg, West Virginia. Chief Salazar advised that their first due is our northwest corner of Loudoun County which includes Lovettsville and Neersville. Service will begin on October 3rd and they do have a license to practice in Virginia. An IB will follow and will detail a change in process. Chief Salazar reminded all that with Fairfax Police you only get a paramedic. Chief Salazar stated that with other services, you receive a flight nurse in addition to a paramedic. Chief Salazar summarized by stating that primarily we will be dealing with AirCare and HealthNet8. Dr. Morgan stated there will be a need to update the EMS policy. Discussion also ensued regarding weather policy. Dr. Morgan requests that any issues be brought to his attention.

Elite Platform- Chief Salazar stated that Chief Stiles emailed all to ask for interested parties to sign up for the Train the Trainer in November. Chief Salazar reminded all to reply to Chief Stiles. Chief Salazar stated this will include: Changes in Spinal Mobilization and High Performance CPR and for ALS providers, a special session will be held on how to increase the success rate with first time intubation.

i. EMS Billing- Danielle Brosan

Danielle Brosan stated in regard to the retrospective review, there were over 6800 records that were eligible to be reviewed and, of those, only 128 were only eligible resulting in a little over \$3,000.

ii. EMS Training-Michelle Beatty

Report attached.

b. Committee Reports

i. Communications Committee (Chief Bennett)

The meeting was cancelled. A plethora of IB's came out Friday. Please provide any comments accordingly.

Captain Lamb provided an update on CAD stating that they are tracking every issue. Captain Lamb reported about 90% of the issues received are now closed. An issue currently relates to the situational awareness software so they have injected a lot more processing power which explains why it has been going in and out of service. Captain Lamb stated parallel to that they are also pursuing a code update change.

Captain Lamb stated there is a hiccup in the interface that pushes out the information so you cannot see your mileage so instructions via email will be distributed so you are able to view this information.

Captain Lamb stated a few issues arose with aircards that have now been corrected. Captain Lamb advised that they are assisting those that have forgotten passwords and those that need assistance regarding navigation.

Chairman Andrews advised that changes could be on-going. Captain Lamb stated a ticket is open for each comment received. Captain Lamb stated that the Help Desk will remain open for several days.

ii. Training Committee (Chief Aycock/Chief Mino)

There was not a meeting held in September.

iii. SWP Committee (Chief Krone)

Chief Krone stated that the meeting will be held on September 15th.

Written Communication SWP-EC tabled the item for additional work to be completed by the SWP Ad-Hoc Committee. The draft SWP will return to the EC in September.

c. EMS Council

No report.

7. Sub-committee Reports

- a. Ambulance Standards Committee- The June minutes were approved by the Chair and were previously distributed.

8. Stakeholders Report

Johanna Kushan appeared and stated she was now the Public Safety Liaison for INOVA to include Cornwall, Lansdowne and Ashburn HealthPlex. In addition, Johanna is the Clinical Director at Ashburn.

Johanna stated a lot of construction is on-going at the INOVA Loudoun hospital. Renovations will be done to the Adult ER and an additional room will be added to the Pediatric ER. A section of rooms will be closed off, however, accommodations will be made. A crane may be coming in from time to time and notifications will occur.

Johanna stated they apply for their level III trauma designation in October. On 11/14, a training will take place and Ms. Kushan passed around a flyer.

Keith Morrison was also in attendance and reported a good training event which was held in conjunction with Sterling on August 16th. On October 24th, a Fall Training Event at Reston Hospital will be held from 6-9pm. Lastly on October 29th, there will be a 30th Anniversary Celebration which will be held from 10am-2pm.

Keith reported that a meeting was held with OMD's regarding their trauma program.

Jamie Wolfin was present and reported that a trauma training session in late August. Jamie stated that their medical office building on campus opened and a meeting room that holds up to fifty people is now open.

Jamie stated that she and Keith as well as their CEO will be doing station visits soon. The inter facility transport contract has been awarded to AMR. The contract begins on October 5th. Additional details will be forthcoming.

Restocking will become easier in the future, according to Jamie. A new process is forthcoming.

Renovations will occur at StoneSprings.

9. Old Business

- a. Physio Lease Option

Chief Salazar reported that it appears that everyone is in favor of the Physio lease option. Chief Salazar stated a presentation will allow for clarification as well as an

opportunity for questions to be answered. The committee opted for a presentation on the next EMSOC meeting night, October 11th at 5:30pm. A follow-up email will be distributed to confirm.

b. Medication Security

Chief Salazar stated that there is a need to ensure that the cards are going to work. Chief Salazar stated that we are currently awaiting a green light from DIT. Chief Salazar stated that once that happens, the pilot can begin. The policy will be drafted, however, disagreement on heavier topics may arise. A draft will be forthcoming.

c. Bariatric Response Capabilities

The minutes have been provided from the committee.

d. Rules of Order

Chairman Andrews stated he and Chief Hall met and formed a draft. Chief Andrews would like all to review the Rules of Order attached in the packet and action will be taken at the October meeting.

e. Bio Hazard Pick-ups

Chief Salazar reported a new company has been selected to provide service. A meeting will be held next week. Additional information will be forthcoming.

10. New Business

a. HealthNet8

See comments above.

b. Draft SWP 503.1 Use of Seatbelts

Chief Bennett stated he had issues with both draft SWP's. Chief Mino concurred. Chief Bennett is concerned that we are dictating every step our providers take. Discussion ensued.

Chief Krone submitted that State law was incorporated and further, exemptions could not be found. Chief Andrews may reach out to Mike Berg for additional information.

Discussion also took place regarding Section 5 with regard to children under eight must be secured.

c. Draft SWP 503.4 Backing Procedures for Apparatus

Chief Bennett raised concerns with regard to the draft policy. Chief Mino stated he would like to see providers have more discretion. Discussion ensued.

According to Chief Mino, comments have previously been sent to Chief Tobia and responses were received.

11. Action Items

a. Draft SWP 503.1 Use of Seatbelts

A motion was made by Earl Hall to accept the draft SWP Use of Seatbelts, as written. The motion was seconded by Chief Salazar. The motion passed with no opposition.

b. Draft SWP 503.4 Backing Procedures for Apparatus

A motion was made by Chief Andrews to accept the draft SWP Backing Procedures for Apparatus to include striking D2. In addition, clarification has been requested regarding 1a to reflect 1 backer and 1 spotter with best practices recommended. Lastly, members of the EMSOC raised a concern with section C under General. The motion was seconded by Chief Krone.

The motion passed with one opposed.

12. Committee Member Comments

None

Announcements

None

Adjourn: With no other business to discuss, the meeting is adjourned at 2044.

Respectfully submitted:
Christine Langley-Obaugh, M.Ed., CVA
Executive Liaison