

EMS Operations Committee Minutes
June 14, 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	Absent
EMS Council	Jay J. Brown
LCFR	AC Johnson, DC Salazar, Kevin Stiles, Mary Maguire, Danielle Brosan and Christine Langley-Obaugh
OMD	Dr. Morgan
StoneSprings	Jamie Stephens
Reston Hospital	Keith Morrison
Inova Loudoun	Jaime Wolfen

1. Call to order

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

2. Roll Call

3. Approve May meeting minutes

A motion to approve the May 10, 2016 minutes was made by Cheryl Aycock. The motion was seconded by Chief Mino. All are in favor with no opposition or abstentions. Motion carried.

4. Chairman's Report

Chairman Andrews advised that the May Executive Committee packet was distributed.

Chairman Andrews reported that some discussion occurred at the last EC meeting regarding the Ballistic Vests SWP which is attached for review. Chairman Andrews reminded the EMSOC that this is an action item for tonight. In the interim, Chair Andrews advised that the vests have been deployed.

Chairman Andrews advised that the Active Directory training is on-going. Chair Andrews reminded all to pre-register.

Discussion ensued regarding Rescue Chief email accounts.

Motion made to ask the Executive Committee to re-visit the active directory email accounts and to obtain stakeholder input. The motion was seconded and the motion passed. Chair Andrews stated he would approach the topic with Chief Tobia this coming weekend.

5. OMD-Dr. John Morgan

Dr. Morgan stated he did not have anything to report.

6. Reports

a. LCFR- DC Jose Salazar

Ballistic Gear:

Chief Salazar confirmed that vests were placed on Battalion Chief's Vehicles and with EMS Supervisors and Safety Officers. Chief Salazar emphasized that this in the interim until the SWP is approved.

RTF Drill:

Chief Salazar stated that the LCSO will not be able to participate in August. Additional options are being examined between August 8th and August 14th, so please mark your calendars.

ImageTrend:

Chief Salazar stated we will be moving towards the new platform towards the end of December.

Bill Toon:

Chief Johnson advised the EMSOC that Bill Toon submitted his resignation and will be moving to Arkansas. Chief Johnson stated Bill will be a tremendous loss as he was a visionary and devoted his time to EMS training.

Susan Edwards:

Chief Johnson also reported that Susan Edwards will be leaving to go into the private sector. Chief Johnson advised that her position will be advertised.

Kevin Stiles:

Chief Salazar congratulated BC Stiles on being named Northern Virginia EMS Administrator of the Year.

In addition, Loudoun County's EMS Division received the award for outstanding contribution to EMS Emergency Preparedness and Response.

Chairman Andrews congratulated all and encouraged future nominations.

i. EMS Billing- Danielle Brosan

Danielle had nothing to report.

ii. EMS Training-Bill Toon

Report attached.

b. Committee Reports

i. Communications Committee (Chief Bennett)

Chief Bennett stated last week's meeting was cancelled. The new go-live date is August 23rd. Chief Bennett stated various radio upgrades will occur in September.

Chief Andrews said it would be helpful to have Chief's copied on communication disseminated regarding training.

ii. Training Committee (Chief Aycock/Chief Mino)

The EMS and Fire Training Enrollment and Wait Lists SWP was reviewed per the request of the EC. Recommendations have ensued to include the following options: first come first serve, round robin and percentage. Cheryl Aycock reported that the committee voted on the percentage method which will return to the EC.

iii. SWP Committee (Chief Krone)

The SWP Committee will meet next Monday.

iv. Ambulance Standards Committee

Chief Andrews reported that the Ambulance Standards Committee met last week and have begun work on a spreadsheet to identify the vehicles with assets that exist in the County.

Cheryl Aycock mentioned that she does have a representative so it may be helpful to ensure communication goes out to the Rescue Chief's.

Chair Andrews stated a brief discussion regarding stretchers occurred.

c. EMS Council

Jay J. Brown offered that the minutes are attached in the packet for review.

Discussion ensued regarding Intermediate Paramedic Programs.

Discussion occurred reference the cost of cot systems.

7. Old Business

a. Physio Lease Option

BC Stiles reported regarding the status. BC Stiles discussed the particulars with the contract and inquired whether everyone was on board.

Discussion occurred regarding the cost and additional details.

Chief Johnson stated the lease option will provide the most up to date, best equipment at all times. Chief Johnson stated for our providers, he wants everyone to have the best most up to date equipment. Chief Johnson emphasized the importance of standardization.

A motion was made to engage with the County to identify if the lease option is viable and where the funding will come from and how the costs will be distributed. The motion was seconded. Chair Andrews also suggested that any questions or concerns are addressed at the same time. The motion carried 6-0-1-3 with one abstention, Chief Andrews.

b. Medication Security

Chief Salazar stated he is waiting on DIT's approval. Chief Salazar stated the meeting is scheduled for this coming Thursday.

c. Bariatric Response Capabilities

Chief Salazar stated he sent something out to 13, 15 and LCFR to request all resources.

d. Rules of Order

Chair Andrews stated he needs to meet with Chief Hall.

e. Bio Hazard Pick-ups

Chief Salazar stated he communicated with the contract administrator at General Services. Chief Salazar further explained that an email was sent several weeks ago to all station commanders to inquire regarding any issues or concerns.

Chief Salazar stated he sat with personnel at a station while they called the phone number for pick-ups, however, no response was received.

Chief Salazar stated that it has been determined that a procedure calls for an email address to be utilized for pick-ups, however, there was a lack of knowledge concerning this procedure. Chief Salazar stated that he was still trying to determine a good protocol and once received will email everyone to advise.

8. New Business

a. Methadone Facility

Chief Johnson mentioned that Leesburg Treatment Services over on Cornwall on Gibson Street which will be a methadone facility, a privately owned facility that can treat up to 400 clients per day.

b. Ballistic Vests SWP

Chief Johnson stated that he proposed an EC action item to send the draft SWP to the three sub-committees to receive recommendations and approval. Chief Johnson reported that the vests were made possible through grant money received from NVERS. Chief Johnson advised that fifty vests were received. In addition, Chief Johnson stated we had put in for a Rescue Squad Assistance Fund Grant which was not received.

Chief Johnson reviewed storage and deployment procedures. An informational bulletin will be forthcoming. Reasoning and methodology were discussed. Chief

Johnson reviewed sustainability and stated the vests are only good for a five year period.

Chief Salazar discussed helmets, as well.

Discussion ensued regarding safety glasses.

Chief Andrews stated that since EMS has a 22% greater chance of being shot at than fire suppression, it is concerning. Chief Andrews stated he believed we needed to find a way to get some protection to our EMS providers.

Discussion on the relationship between RTF and the SWP was discussed.

Chief Johnson stated that stations could certainly provide or purchase more vests should they desire to do so.

9. Action Items

a. Ballistic Vests SWP

Motion made to accept the Ballistic Vests SWP with minor changes as recommended by the EMSOC. Motion passed with no abstentions.

10. Stakeholder Comments

8-10-16 Open House and BBQ at Ashburn HealthPlex
7-11-16 Training, Fire Academy in Fairfax: OB Emergencies
Open Position for Director of Education per Jaime Wolfin

11. Committee Member Comments

Chief Johnson stated there will be a name change effective July 1st to Loudoun County Fire and Rescue.

12. Announcements

None

Adjourn: With no other business to discuss, the meeting is adjourned at 2033.

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