

Berks EMS Working Group June 5, 2012, 2012

Organizational Representation/Attendance: Jim Conrad (Reading EMS/RCTTF), Tim Moyer (Schulykill Valley), Dave Babb (Boyertown), Ashley Neubauer (Boyertown), Ed Moreland (Kutztown EMS), H. David Miller (Western Berks), Jim Bitler (TRHMC), Jim Major (Eastern EMS), Anne Dieterich (Eastern EMS), Matt Stariker (LA/DES), Chris Chamberlain (SJMC/Exeter Fire QRS), Todd Boughter (DES), Anthony Martin (TRHMC), Mike Palamar (SBREMS), Eric Bubbenmoyer (MedEvac/Kempton QRS), Tyler Bard (Topton EMS), Steve Kline (Topton EMS)

Meeting convened by Chairman Tim Moyer at 1002

Motion to accept the minutes of May 2012 by Babb second by Stariker, accepted.

DES

Matt Stariker—Does not need to stall the meeting today. Special Projects position filled by retired firefighter from Conneticut, Scott Mildren.

Eight new telecommunicators hired and starting soon. In the hiring process for new dispatchers, now have 6-8 openings. Looking to go live with new CAD on July 10th.

Question regarding portable radio programming and announcement of channel selection.

MCI card project that was started, would like to see it completed since new CAD is imminent.

New Go LIVE Date for the radio system is June 2013. There are challenges to some tower sites.

Radio advisory (Dave Miller) – fleet mapping continues to move forward.

RCTTF - - November training was postponed and no clear direction to see where and what will happen. Issues with venues and presenters required postponed. Hospitals will be receiving 800 mhtz radios. Training courses that were scheduled and approved are now in flux.

Eastern PA EMS Council

Jim –Conference is coming, many speakers confirmed. Looking to obtain donations for travel costs for speaker from Israel. Every little bit helps. Consider asking others. Also now hosting a “Shotgun Challenge”, no guns required....they will supply everything.

Phillips Software will be providing 12 lead transmission software, at no cost to MedCom to permit transmission to the receiving facilities. The Regional MAC supports transmission...and looks as if some time in the future the State will require transmission.

EMSOF committee has met and decided to use available funds to continue supporting the CPAP replacement program. Supplies were bid out and awarded. There are approximately 500 cases of circuits. If you had circuits that were not available at time, your requests will be filled.

Vehicles – Not sure what will occur with NFPA vs. KKK standard specifications....KKK will not be renewed...more direction to follow

TRHMC -

Jim Bitler – Garden party on June 5 and 6, at the base of the Clock Tower. From 10am till 10pm

June 13th 0800 is the Cogen Plant drill. **NOTE TIME CHANGE from 1400. NEW TIME IS 0800** Contact Jim if interested in participating.

Merv Wertz – no longer the EMS Liasion

Anthony Martin – Taking over for Merv Wertz. Dinner and learn on June 6 with Dr Siegel for 12 lead review and STEMI process.
Patient follow up form and process is now live. Drop completed forms in Silver box in EMS room.

SJMC – will send report to me electronically O2 on wheelchair patients and return of tanks....will be more to follow, especially in light of the BEMS directive regarding oxygen and paratransit.

NO SMOKING at Ambulance bays.

SIR – Jim will be assuming responsibilities for emergency preparedness at SIR taking over from Mike Whalen.

Oct 29-30 radiation class, seats may be available.

PennStar – no rep yet designated

MedEvac – now may be getting signatures from ground crews, similar to what we do at the hospital, Also will be getting surveys about flight crew, it is web based and looking to receive get feedback. Also in the process getting CAAMS accreditation process and the feedback process is part of the system.

New paint scheme with black aircraft and hospital logo on side. Now has a Facebook page for Medevac. Zoll has new device Propac MD and only 12 pounds. Can now obtain a 12 lead in the aircraft.

NEW Business – QRS requirements have changed, new reporting standards and will allow a paper reporting form. Jim Major is still strongly recommending use of electronic systems. There is no electronic record generated with the paper forms and subsequently no data collected. The WebCur/MedMedia availability for QRS will no longer be available.

IPCR coming in to EMS Council for DEMO...has a tablet based product.

Council now using WEBEX software for meetings...and allowing people to participate in meetings remotely, more info to follow.

Motion to adjourn by 1108

Next meeting July 10, 2012