

**Broward Regional EMS Council
March 6 2014
1:30 p.m.
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Subject	Discussion	Action/Follow-Up
Call to Order	Chair, Mr. Marrinson called the meeting to order.	1:34 p.m.
Roll Call	Staff called the roll and validated quorum. Members late to the meeting identified themselves.	Validation of Quorum
Approval of Minutes from December 5, 2013	MOTION: to approve the minutes as submitted, Dr. El Sanadi, seconded by Commissioner LaMarca. No discussion.	Motion passes unanimously
Chair Report	Chair had nothing new to report.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academy of the Year • Take 5 Video Contest 	<p>Coral Springs Fire Academy and Chief Juan Cardona presented an award for Fire Academy of the Year 2013, and presented some information regarding the activities of the training center.</p> <p>J. Gordon introduced MaryEllen House as the Chair of the Take 5 Committee and presented the information available on the web about the ongoing video contest for School Board of Broward County high school students underwritten by Broward County and BECON.</p> <p>The intent is to bring the winners to the anniversary meeting before the commission to receive the proclamation.</p> <p>Next week, our sponsor, Gabby Chavez, is filming another promotional Public Service Announcement (PSA) to air on BECON regarding the contest.</p> <p>The major hospitals already are sponsors.</p> <p>The Broward County Pediatric Society is interested in sponsoring.</p>	<p>Deadline for submission is April 1. Sponsors are needed.</p> <p>Dr. Mulligan will follow up with this.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Old Business 	<p style="text-align: center;">None</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Executive ☆ Public Information, Education, Legislation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☆ Take 5 ☆ EMS Conference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ No report. ☆ J. Gordon presented information on the upcoming May 13th Commission meeting where we hope to present another proclamation for Take 5. Other municipalities are encouraged to do likewise. There is a Go-Kit to assist with presentations at local commission meetings to assist with getting local proclamations. In addition, the spokesperson, Gabby Chaves, has availability to speak, depending on his racing schedule. Districts are working closely with the schools to do a 'Prom Promise' and there is a presentation and demonstration that has been very successful. ☆ D. Donzella Demonstrated the website for the conference and materials present for the upcoming conference, and those in attendance are encouraged to take one. Chief Donzella walked through the website features including the online registration form. There is a second day scheduled with mini-sessions with emerging issues, and Dr. Pepe will also present on day two. Dr. Racht, Dr. Pepe and Steve Berry, in addition, Dr. Antevy will also be presenting. ☆ An ongoing endowment would eliminate dependence on State-sponsored EMS grant funding. Mr. Marrinson asks about costs to take nationally. Chief Donzella estimates 30-50,000.00, but cautions that some vendors won't work unless it is a percentage. Attendance above 500-550 will bring the event to a National level of prominence. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Meetings 2/6/14 & 3/5/14</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Meetings 1/14, 2/5/, 2/26/14 Next Meeting 3/18/14</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☆ Commissioner LaMarca asks about rooms. There are 50 rooms blocked, and typically 35 of those are filled. CEU/CME credit is available for both days. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Medical Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Stroke Protocol * Transport Protocol * Infectious Disease ◆ EMS Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * T. Dibernardo presented for Dr. Keroff, who is absent. * Stroke Protocol evaluation of data submission continues. The form and elements have been decided. * Transport Protocol has been under review for EMS and hospital complaints for transport issues. The poster seems to be good, language needs fine tuning. * A new exposure protocol has been put forward and changes will be seen from an EMS perspective; and through the Council, efforts will be made to reach out to Law Enforcement through the Administrative Code and other means. ◆ J. Johnson reports that the committee met on December 17, 2013 and one Class 5 application was put forward. The next meeting is expected to be June 6 following the next EMS Council meeting. 	<p>Meeting 2/13/14 – no quorum Meetings 1/9/14 & 1/30/14</p> <p>Meetings 1/9/14 & 1/30/14</p> <p>No meeting today</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ordinance changes eliminating/realigning vacant positions are in the County Attorney's Office 	<p>Staff presented on the ordinance changes in the County Attorney's office. All of the boards under review are being put forward at once, and so we are part of a larger review process. Once the item is put forth for agenda, there will be a public hearing set, and all are welcome.</p> <p>Mr. Marrinson recognizes Commissioner LaMarca for his ongoing support of the EMS Community and the Council.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Broward County Trauma Management Agency ▪ National Safety Council, South Florida Chapter ▪ Police and Fire: County Police ▪ Police and Fire: Municipal Police ▪ Broward County State Attorney's Office ▪ Broward County Human Services Department ▪ Basic Life Support (BLS): Municipal EMT

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Council Vacancies in need of recommendations 	<p>Staff has reached out to these organizations, and is still waiting for responses and candidates to put forward.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Broward County Community College – Emergency Medical Services Dept. ▪ EMS Dispatch, County or Municipal ▪ American Heart Association – Broward County Chapter
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Recent/Upcoming Appointments/reappointments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Appointee of Commissioner: Barbara Sharief – District 8 ▪ Appointee of Commissioner: Stacy Ritter - District 3 	<p>Staff introduced the recent and upcoming EMS members for appointment.</p> <p>Appointment: 1/15/14</p> <p>Appointment: 3/11/14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">C. DelCampo</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. John Halpern</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Recommendations for Re-Appointments for Upcoming Vacancies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dr. Peter Antevy ▪ Bruce Caruso ▪ Anthony Stravino ▪ Walter Dix ▪ Thomas DiBernardo ▪ Maggie House ▪ Brian Vermette ▪ Jerry Graziose ▪ Vanessa Quiles 	<p>Staff reviewed members for recommendations.</p> <p>Expires 4/13/14</p> <p>Expires 6/13/14</p> <p>Expires 1/8/17</p> <p>Expires 4/18/14</p> <p>Expires 4/13/14</p> <p>Expires 1/8/17</p> <p>Expires 1/8/17</p> <p>Expires 1/23/15</p> <p>Expires 9/27/16</p> <p>MOTION: D. Donzella, seconded C. Neilson. To accept the persons for appointment as presented. No discussion.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Physicians – Emergency Medicine ▪ Advanced Life Support – County Paramedic ▪ Advanced Life Support – County Administration ▪ Police and Fire – County Fire ▪ Police and Fire – Municipal Fire ▪ Transport – Non-Fire Based Ambulance ▪ Transport – Nonemergency Medical Transportation Service ▪ Broward County League of Cities ▪ Nurses – Emergency Room ▪ Motion passes unanimously

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<p>Good of the Order New Neurointerventional Radiologist at Memorial Regional Hospital</p> <p>UM Life Alliance Organ Recovery</p>	<p>Z. Ross introduced Memorial Healthcare System’s new Neurointerventional Radiologist: Dr. Ritesh Mehta, with specialNeurology, Neurocritical care and Radiology.</p> <p>Stewart Jusim and Cynthia Smith presented for Life Alliance Recovery Agency and presented for the UM procurement team. They are seeking a partnership with the local fire departments for community education and outreach. They are also offering advanced training to paramedics. April is organ donation awareness month; there are adhesive decals to put on trucks and Donate Life flags to fly during April and hopefully, throughout the year. Hundreds of thousands are waiting throughout the US for organs. One person can impact many people through combined organ (8) and tissue (250) donation. It is important to register through donatelifeflorida.org to ensure that your wishes are known and honored.</p> <p>Discussion: T. Nugent asks about family ability to change stated wishes. These are individual cases, but over time, the trend is toward stronger adherence to the donor’s wishes. Dr. Caputo asks about case law to support the donor’s wishes. It is unknown whether there are any in Florida. C. Neilson asks about unregistered people being consented for donation. This is a common occurrence and the procurement team comes to evaluate the patient for suitability for donation. Once brain death is declared, they approach the family for donation. This is often a way for families to cope with traumatic, sudden death.</p>	<p>He comes from Harvard, and will start in July.</p> <p>The link is available through the EMS Council website.</p> <p>R. Marrinson asks if a presentation on the legal aspects of this could be set up for a future EMS Council meeting to clear up misconceptions, and clarify legal precedents.</p> <p>The UM team would be happy to come back with a guest speaker and a donor family for the future.</p>

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EMS Legislation	<p>Dr. El Sanadi asks if with the 3 trauma centers that we have the largest percentage of procurement in the United States. This is confirmed for Broward trauma hospitals, and Jackson Memorial Hospital. Memorial Hospital will be beginning organ donations soon.</p> <p>Mr. Marrinson asks about upcoming EMS Legislation. Staff responds that there are several pieces of legislation that may impact our local EMS providers and our agency. Commissioner LaMarca asks about Fire Rescue 106. The issue was a budget issue last year – and Collier County has a fire-rescue system built by state dollars to cover Alligator Alley. The thought is that the State could help with this. Commissioner LaMarca asks about the redistribution of dispatch responsibilities throughout the County. T. DiBernardo spoke about the time line and improvements that have come forward. Best practices are propagating from the dispatcher level. There will be three centers all online soon.</p>	<p>Mr. Marrinson asks that a comprehensive list of upcoming legislation be compiled for future review.</p>
EMS Grants	<p>Staff spoke about EMS Grants and agreements presently under review in the County Attorney’s office. There is only one remaining outstanding, all the others are complete.</p>	<p>The accounting department and our agency will be meeting on recovering funds.</p>
Next Meeting Dates	<p>June 5, 2014 September 4, 2014 December 4, 2014</p>	<p>Correction: June 5, not June 6.</p>
Adjournment	<p>Chair adjourned the meeting.</p>	<p>2:25 p.m.</p>