

Broward Regional EMS Council

March 2, 2017

1:30 p.m.

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Subject	Discussion	Action/Follow-Up
Call to Order	Mr. Marrinson, Committee Chair, called meeting to order.	
Announcement	Dr. Mallak introduced Alison Zerbe as Cheryl Rashkin's replacement in Medical Examiner's Office.	
Roll Call	Staff called the roll and established quorum.	
Approval of Minutes from December 1, 2016	Motion to accept by Zeff Ross and seconded by Walter Dix. Motion passed unanimously.	
	A. Zerbe read vacant Council positions and recent appointments. Dr. Marrinson asked if there were any positions that people would want to nominate or not nominate. Motion to accept the recommended positions as mentioned. Motion to accept David Donzella??? seconded by Zeff Ross. Motion passes unanimously.	
➤ Broward County Ordinance Chapter 3 ½	T. DiBernardo stated that county commissioners did not accept any of Executive Board's changes. Chairman and T. DiBernardo were present. The county commissioner did not accept any of our changes. This had to do with data collection. Afterwards fire chief association asked what was going on. They then had the Mayor to go over all of the Executive Board's changes and a better understanding developed between the committee and the Mayor. The ordinance is in effect. With data collection everything should be revealed; some of it may be so challenging it is not be attainable. T. DiBernardo feels positive but not we're not there. Part of ordinance was to hire someone to do the data collection and then Dr. Mallak received the hiring freezes. The County Administrator offered to come here. The committee wants to meet with commissioners and County Administrator prior to anything that goes before the commission.	
➤ Grants Committee	Z. Ross stated that all grant contracts were being worked on. All but one are completed and we should expect that by next week. All fire grants have been completed.	
➤ Committee Reports ❖ Public Information/ Education	J. Gordon announced there were a couple of education opportunities. Class next Wednesday, March 8, by Fire Rescue. Class for basics EMS class is a prerequisite for the advanced class. The third item is the symposium of fire and police, with over 250 PIOs throughout Florida, and a few from Virginia. One guest speakers included the Assignment Editor, ABC NY. The group from Pulse night club shooting. Chrissy Koons considered expert in social media will present for Fire Rescue and EMS. It is a very successful program. The last item is the Safe Haven for newborns. We are excited that a couple of weeks ago we rescued our 256 baby. There is credited training available from Safe Haven for all fire and rescue disciplines. Sign up on the website www.asafehavenfornewborns.com .	

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❖ EMS Conference	<p>R. Turpel, Committee Chair, updated the Council on the 21st Anniversary of “First There First Care” EMS conference with this years theme “Strive to Survive”. There are about a half dozen Council members at this meeting. The website is www.firsttherefirstcare.com.</p> <p>Conference dates: June 6, 7, 8, 2017. Location: Bonaventure Resort and Spa, in Weston. The location moved from the Hard Rock, Hollywood this year because of construction.</p> <p>Support from the sponsors and donors, along with sponsorship and EMS grant and seed money from prior years, enabled the conference to meet their goals.</p> <p>The Committee is has not finalized all speakers and the agenda, but should be finished by the end of the month. Tammie Nugent and Vanessa Quiles are working on the speakers committee.</p> <p>Day 1, June 6, is going to be same format as last few years. We are going to have ALS and Nursing team preliminary competitions. That’s all that is taking place on June 6. But the ALS and nursing finals take place on Wednesday.</p> <p>On Wednesday, June 7, pre-conference lectures will start about 8:30/9:00. The plans include four rooms of lectures. Some speakers include Eric Clause, Keynote Speaker, a Nurse Paramedic from Virginia, who is very experienced on the subject of suicide. Speaker, Dr. Pepe, will be doing a half-day seminar and Mary Van Hoot, a full day. Other speakers will present a full day on leadership and training for paramedics, nurses and ALS, and a group will lecture on safety and self-defense for a medics and ER nurses.</p> <p>The Fire Chiefs’ Association will host the SE Region Fire Chiefs, chaired by Miami-Dade Fire Chief. One hundred plus representatives from 5 counties are expected. The Medical Directors requested having a ‘meet and greet’ meeting which will include Fire Chiefs.</p> <p>Vendors and sponsors are available from 2:00 to 6:00 pm. R. Turpel stated he wants to get as many people as possible to visit the vendors and sponsors because they are the life blood of the conference with hopes that they will take over future conferences. The nursing</p>	Continue to look at offering CMEs

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	<p>competition awards will take place in vendor's area followed later, 7:00-10:00 pm, by the second annual EMS party.</p> <p>The big day is Thursday, June 8 beginning at 8:30 with the opening ceremony for the conference.</p> <p>Tammy Nugent gave an update on the conference speakers. The keynote speaker, Eric Clause, will lecture on the health and wellness of all our providers. There will be a panel discussion, focused on lessons learned, which includes a trauma surgeon and nurse, emergency manager from Orange County, a hospital emergency manager, and a fire chief. Additionally, a panel from the Fort Lauderdale shooting will present, depending on their level of clearance.</p> <p>Fire Chiefs' Association of Broward County and Broward Regional EMS Council are the main sponsors. This is an international event. Spots are opened for EMS providers and hospital providers. Almost all contracts are signed.</p> <p>Dr. Lee asked question on CMEs for physicians. At this time, due to only few doctors who attend, and the requirements involved, it didn't warrant offering credits. The committee is considering it for next year.</p> <p>Any questions call R. Turpel. The website, www.firsttherefirstcare.com, is key to get registered.</p>	
❖ Legislature	<p>Announced that they are tracking Senate Bill 746 which deals with trauma care. Additionally, there is legislation for fire fighters, who according to University of Miami research, are five times as likely to be diagnosed four types of cancers. Other legislations include some funding for volunteer fire rescue; another for claimants to receive compensation for PTSD.</p>	
❖ Medical	<p>In January teams began focusing on better response time to hospitals. Another issue brought up by T. DiBernardo mention there were two incidents, regarding trauma medical records and HIV testing, where the hospital was not working with EMS. They are looking at these as isolated incidents but are continuing to monitor them.</p>	

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	Cheryl Rashkin apologized that there was a typo, Dr. Mallak's direct telephone number, on the posters. New posters will be done next week.	
❖ EMS Review Committee	B. Caruso said they were reviewing non-medical transportation services. There is one application that is pending that will be reviewed in June.	
➤ New Business ▪ Good of the Order	<p>A. Zerbe reminded those appointed by Commissioners to remind any new Commissioners that they will need to reappoint them. She then asked that everyone sign into the meeting, and those on phone email her that they were present.</p> <p>J. Halpern stated District 2, 5, and 9 is aware of vacancies</p> <p>Commissioner La Marca commented on how indispensable Cheryl Rashkin was and for her try to reconsider.</p> <p>Fire Chiefs were briefed this morning about revising the Broward County Mass Casualty Incident Response Plan (MCIR). There is optimism that Version 4 of MCIR plan will be finalized it by end of this month, for distribution to all stakeholders.</p> <p>There is a new regional DHS grant application collaborated between the EMS community, fire rescue and law enforcement. It is a \$1.8 million dollar grant primarily for training and exercises focused on complex coordinated terrorist attacks. It will help build up the region for Superbowl 2020, a national event. It should be decided by early April if this region is awarded the grant.</p> <p>Dr. Sylvester, Medical Director, Orlando, passed away last Sunday.</p>	
➤ Next Meeting Dates	June 1, 2017 September 7, 2017 December 7, 2017	Please mark your calendars
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