

Broward Regional EMS Council
Tuesday, October 23, 2018
1:30 p.m.
MINUTES

Call to Order

Ralph Marrinson, Chair, called meeting to order at 1:31 pm.

Announcements

No Announcements

Roll Call

Alison Zerbe called roll and quorum established.

Approval of Minutes from September 6, 2018

MOTION TO ACCEPT the minutes made by Zeff Ross and seconded by Dr. Craig Mallak.

MOTION passed unanimously

Recommendations for Appointments/Reappointments

Reappointments:

Dr. Antonio Gandia, American Heart Association, Broward County Chapter (1/13/2019)

Dr. Paula Thaqi, Physicians: Public Health (1/24/2019)

Appointments:

Roger Krege, Law Enforcement, Union Representative

Dr. Wayne Lee, Physicians: Emergency Medicine

Vanessa Quiles, Nurses: Emergency Room

MOTION TO RECOMMEND by Dr. Frederick Keroff and seconded by Dr. Craig Mallak.

MOTION passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee

Ralph Marrinson reported that the Sunset issues that were supposed to be on this morning agenda were postponed until November 13. If it changes Alison Zerbe, staff, will notify the Council.

EMS Grant

Zeff Ross reported that the Grant Committee had two applications this year: Stop the Bleed, and the 23rd Annual First There First Care Conference. The available money this year was \$119,816.00. First There First Care was awarded their requested \$50,000.00 and Stop the

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Bleed received the remainder, partial, at \$69,816.00. Z. Ross asked for a MOTION TO ACCEPT. Chief Bruce Caruso made the MOTION and Dr. F. Keroff, seconded.

The MOTION passed unanimously.

Z. Ross announced that the committee also recommended that unexpended/leftover funds from prior years be awarded. The committee recommended BSO receive unexpended funds, \$1,602.64 from a grant they had last year, and Stop the Bleed would receive the remainder, \$6,962.29, of the unexpended funds. Chief B. Caruso made the MOTION TO ACCEPT the committee's recommendation of unexpended funds and Dr. F. Keroff, seconded.

The MOTION passed unanimously.

Dr. C. Mallak mentioned the effort A. Zerbe and her predecessor, Cheryl Rashkin, made to locate the unexpended funds. A. Zerbe and Dr. C. Mallak mentioned there was more money from previous years to be found.

A. Zerbe indicated that she needs an invoice for the projects to get paid upfront or reimbursed. Reimbursement is preferred.

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Chief Joel Gordon reported that two teams of PIOs from Broward and Dade counties were deployed to the Panhandle because of the severe storm. The second team is ending their rotation now and should be back shortly. They are waiting to see if there is a third callout for additional PIOs.

[EMS Conference](#)

Chief B. Caruso reported the next First There First Care conference will be held June 4-6, 2019 at the Bonaventure Spa and Resort. They already gave them a check for the deposit. Things are moving forward, and last year's conference has been paid. They will be having a planning meeting tomorrow.

[Medical Issues/Infectious Exposure](#)

Dr. Fred Keroff had nothing to report. He said that many of the medical issues have started here but taken on a life of their own. He said the committee is limited right now but he is open for suggestions.

R. Marrinson said that after the Sunset issue is resolved he will be sending out a memo asking for members who want to serve on the different committees.

[EMS Review](#)

Chief B. Caruso said he did not make his report yet. Last meeting, they reviewed five Class 5 licenses for nonemergency transport that went to the county commission for approval. After today's EMS Council meeting the review committee will be reviewing four Class 5 licenses.

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Rick Sluman said that the number of Class 5 licenses has decreased. A. Zerbe said it may be due to the Medicare and Medicaid stipulations resulting in decreased payments. R. Marrinson said that it was an economic issue.

[Nominating Committee](#)

Dr. David Kimpel had nothing to report.

[Old Business](#)

The Sunset recommendations will displace a minimal amount of people, but some positions will be merging. Those members being displaced may be able to get a different position that's available, if they are interested. She wasn't able to move forward with some recommendations due to the pending Sunset recommendations.

R. Marrinson may call a December or another meeting if needed following the Sunset recommendation decisions. He wants to get the committees appointed and moving and possibly call an Executive Committee meeting in the form of a workshop.

[New Business](#)

There were two vacancies that they will report on at the next meeting after the Sunset recommendations go through. Two recommendations from the Fire Chiefs.

Dr. F. Keroff mentioned that Memorial was having an EMS State of the Science 2018 conference on November 8, 2018. Flyers were distributed.

Also, Zeff Ross was named 2018 Power Leaders in Healthcare by South Florida Business Journal.

The Florida Department of Health approved Dr. Scheppke as the new State EMS Medical Director.

A.Zerbe will email out events that are taking place.

[Next Meeting Dates](#)

December 2018 (To Be Determined), March 7, 2019, and June 6, 2019.

[Adjourned](#)

2:00 pm