

VERMONT EMS DISTRICT 6
Board Minutes
November 14, 2006 1900 Hours

Attendance:

Barre City: Robert Brown

BTEMS:

Cabot: Sheila Brown

Jennifer Miner

CTERT: Susan Barnes

Annie Dolan

CVMC:

D6TC: Mark Podgwaite

EMFD: Jay Copping

Bill George

EMS Liaison: Mike Morgan

MRVAS: Gene Bifano

Middlesex: Doug Hanson

MAS: Doug Jasman

NAS: Jim Baraw

PFR: Amy Holt

Sugarbush:

WFS: Maxine Durbrow

WASI: John Kueffner

Worcester:

Williamstown: Gordon Murray

Visitor: Joe Aldsworth

I. Call to order: 1901 by Jim Baraw

II. Approval of Minutes: Approved

III. Treasurer's Report: Approved

IV. No agenda items added at this time

V. Reports:

A) Medical Director – No report, absent

B) Training Committee –

i) Mark attended I/C Workshop, learned a lot, one thing he noted was Practical Station Evaluator Training. Future evaluators would need to be certified through this training in order to do Practical Station Evaluations for testing sites. Would guarantee more competent evaluators.

ii) EMT-B class going well.

iii) 2 new instructors, Doug Jasman and Jenn Russell

iv) Passed out a list of equipment needed for training compiled by Mark and Doug Hanson. Motion made to approve up to \$2500.00 expenditure for the equipment – Approved.

v) Shelving that was left at the Safety Academy is being put up by Norwich students/cadets for our use free of charge!

VI. Old Business:

A) EMS Dinner – 64 people attended, good time had by all. Would Amy and Joe head up dinner for next fall? Amy said Joe has broad shoulders, he could do it and she would help if he needed her. Presented Amy and Joe with \$100.00 gift certificates to J. Morgan restaurant and congratulated them on a job well done.

B) Defib Reprogramming – Jim ordered the infrared reader through ZOLL and it is on backorder. Process takes about 10 minutes to do. Jim will set up a time to do the reprogramming when he has all the equipment. John Kueffner said he reprogrammed his ZOLL 1600s to shock at 360j every time.

C) Website progress – No Norwich students need extra credit, Jenn Miner was graciously coerced into taking on the project along with the District Newsletter.

D) New CPR Guidelines – If you're not in compliance by January 1st, advised to continue with old guidelines until you are. Gene Bifano inquired the VT EMS office about new CPR

guideline protocols and they say they're supposed to be out for January 1, 2007. No one has seen them as of yet.

E) Mark said Fire Training Council was not interested in doing a joint Fire/EMS Conference as they had a lot on their schedule as it is. Area local fire departments may be interested.

Discussion about having mini conference/trainings brought up by Bill George. Motion made to put together a group to field out options during 2007 to put together an EMS Conference for 2008. Amended to having the Training Committee do the research. Approved.

VII. New Business:

A) Vermont Service License Applications that were completed were handed in to the Secretary. Phil will be back on November 20th at which time Jim will set up a time to get together with him and prepare for signatures.

B) Welcomed Mike Morgan as our new EMS Liaison. Mike started his position yesterday, Monday, November 13th, 2006, by cleaning out his office and going through filing cabinets. He has gotten through 2 of the 4 cabinets. This is the easy part. He is finding the bureaucracy is the slow and painful part of the job. Mike passed out his business cards, would like to set up a time with each squad to go and visit and familiarize himself with everyone.

C) Hospital Participation – Jim feels that the hospital's participation with the EMS system is long overdue. Mike said that generally EMS systems and ERs seem to be at the bottom of a hospital's list when it comes to helping them out. Maybe CEO could be invited to 1 or 2 District 6 Board meetings to interact with us. Motion was made to form a committee to address issues with CEO of hospital. Approved.

D) Gene went to a VAA meeting and learned a little about the VT Safe Baby Act. Allows a parent to surrender a child up to 30 days old to a healthcare professional who in turn will follow criteria for baby's safety to a healthcare facility. Printed information should be coming out next month. Also learned about online continuing education for EMT-Bs. There have been programs for Paramedics, now including Basics in this realm of continuing education.

VIII. Retreat Follow Up:

A) Budget – The committee looked at Training for personnel and equipment that is needed. Would it be feasible to have a separate Training Committee account? Looked at possibilities of revenue through dues, training schooling, annual conference, some hospital participation. It would help if people that owed the District money would pay their bills up. Lastly, Legal/Financial responsibilities included an audit be done every two years minimum and apply for the 501(c)(3) that Jerry was working on. Mike is looking for the paperwork and hasn't come across it yet. Jerry said it was supposed to be in one of the 4 file cabinets.

IX. Announcements for the Good of the Order:

A) Train the Trainer stalled for a bit, Mark has survey to send out and will do that soon.

B) Amy brought up the need for an I-03 refresher.

C) What is status of the composition of the Board? Where is Chris Brynga? Jim will talk to Phil about this and get back to the Board at next meeting.

D) Annie Dolan did find the memo Jerry put out about the Hep B shots if anyone is interested.

X. Meeting adjourned at 2022.

Respectfully submitted;
Sheila Brown, Secretary

Next Meetings: December 12, 2006
January 9, 2007
February, 13, 2007