

Central Iowa EMS Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: March 18, 2013

Location: Pleasant Hill Fire Station

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Attendees

Rob Light, Urbandale FD

Frank Prowant, Ankeny FD

Brian Helland, Clive FD

Rex Heisdorffer, Newton FD

Peg Back, Polk City FD/Westcom

Katy Hill, Iowa Health

Brian Seymour, Indianola FD

Chris Perrin, MGMC

Clint Robinson, Waukee FD

Reylon Meeks, Pleasant Hill FD

Joel Westendorf, Delaware Township FD

Meeting

- Meeting called to order by President Brian Helland at 1831. President Helland thanked Chief Meeks and the Pleasant Hill FD for hosting the meeting. Homemade Sausage sandwiches and cobbler was excellent!
- Last month minutes were approved as typed, motion made by Frank Prowant, Second by Rex Heisdorffer, Motion carried.
- **Treasurer Report**
 - Checking Account Balance: \$12067.14 with some checks still outstanding from refresher
 - Savings Account Balance: \$16118.39
- **Training Committee**
 - Difficult airway course was held at Mercy. Went well.
 - Training for excellence at DMACC.
 - CIEMSD will pay the fee for up to 20 people.
 - NAEMT safety course, \$90 at MCHS. More information coming.

- EMS Round table Thursday March 21st at 1815 at the Ankeny Fire Station. Pre-registration is open again.
- Medical personnel response to bombing incident and a weapons of mass destruction class is in the future at MCHS.
- National Refresher
 - Did have a small profit in 2013. \$2290 for net incoming, a few agencies still have outstanding bills with some payments to presenters not being cashed yet. 30% of attendees paid tuition by PayPal.
 - 2014 dates set, Jan 10-12 for basic weekend and Jan 24-26 for advanced weekend.
 - Location to be determined.
 - Ideas for dropping costs
 - Early registration cheaper
 - Free tuition for one student for each presenter.
 - Time critical diagnosis at Mercy West Lakes on April 1st at 1700. Presented by Dr. Willie McClairen
 - Next training committee meeting April 4th.
- **Operations Committee**
 - SMART triage stuff is out.
 - VA diversion discussions have been started. They are not changing their diversion policy. Chief Officer meeting at the VA every day to discuss the amount of time they are on diversion. They see it as not having an option. Discussions ongoing as to how to get the patients care paid for if they are diverted.
- **Membership Committee**
 - Reminder to pay your dues.
 - Receipts have been made and can be sent out once they are paid for. The receipt will have the nemsma log in information on the bottom for the members to access.
- **Communication Center Report**
 - Peg Back, Westcom, no issues with Westcom.
 - Issues with PCSO pagers not getting EMS or fire tones after the departmental alert.
 - Email issues to Redlinger and Locker
 - Issues were attempted to be addressed at the radio meeting
 - Radio cutover postponed
 - PCSO not participating in MCI training
 - Discussion ongoing.
- **Polk County Fire Chiefs**
 - Radio issues discussed
 - Outdoor Warning Sirens to be tested on March 27th in conjunction with severe weather awareness week.
- **IEMSA**

- Meeting Thursday.
- **Metro Trauma Committee**
 - IMMC has new cameras in the trauma bays for QA.
 - Live streaming instead of recording.
 - Has live sounds and is in color.
 - Department specific info available from the trauma registry.
 - Reminder to give radio reports with the facts only given.
 - Trauma alerts are not called or requested in the field. Paint the picture to the hospital staff and their internal process will decide based on criteria.
- **EMA**
 - None present
- **Polk County ME**
 - None Present
- **Hospital Reports**
 - Mercy –None
 - Iowa Health
 - See following document
 - New Trauma surgeon, Dr. Smoot.
 - April is donate life month.
 - EMS Week activities planned.
 - Annual ceremony at West Des Moines station 19 on Saturday May 18th beginning at 1030. Party at Blue Moon Piano Bar that night.
 - Heros day at Farmers Market on Saturday May 25th.
 - Thanks to West Des Moines EMS and Ankeny FD for agreeing to do the nurse ride along program. Nurses are enjoying their time in the field.
 - Iowa Health will be changing its name in April due to out of state purchases.
 - Blank
 - Clive FD had an employee with a needle stick/exposure. Great job by staff at Blank for being very knowledgeable.
 - A lot of viral stuff being seen right now. Blank is at capacity.
 - PEARS class is great for new EMTs. New pediatric first aid info coming out shortly.
 - Looking at a BCLS class for EMS providers.
 - Mary Greeley
 - Building a 6 story edition.
 - New ambulance garage being built and will be a drive thru.
 - 911 calls no longer going through the ER. Dispatch is now handling. EMS is now linking up with the CAD.
 - VEISHA planning continuing.

- VA –None
- **Member County Reports**
 - Jasper Co
 - Dave Edgar going over to do a train the trainer regarding SMART .
 - Police, Fire, EMS, EMA are now getting together to discuss issues.
 - Took a field trip to Kansas City Motor Speedway to discuss EMS issues.
 - Looking at vulnerability study and looking at tapping into Polk County for help with TEAMS cards in the event Jasper County gets overwhelmed.
 - Reasoner FD has joined CIEMSD.
 - Dallas Co.
 - Dispatch issues
 - Warren Co.
 - Dispatch issues
 - TEAMS cards being worked on
 - Radio survey
 - Iowa Donor Network involvement discussed.
- **Old Business**
 - None
- **Announcements**
 - EMS week coming up before next meeting. Reminder for service directors to forward pertinent emails to membership.
 - June 15th is the Heart Association walk. More info coming but huge public safety component involvement planned.
 - Delaware Township pancake breakfast planned for April 13th from 0700-1000.
 - Pleasant Hill FD having a National Ice Cream for Breakfast day on May 4th. Homemade ice cream with different cereals as toppings.
 - Delaware Township going to a provisional P level service. They currently have 2 paramedics on staff.
- **Next Meeting**
 - Monday May 20th, 2013 at Blank Children’s Hospital, Biering Dining Room (Level B behind the cafeteria). Dinner at 1800, meeting at 1830.
- Motion to adjourn made by Heisdorfer, second by Prowant. Meeting adjourned at 1946.

CIEMSD Meeting

News from Iowa Health Des Moines- March 18, 2013

April

- We have a new Trauma Surgeon starting in April.

Dr Smoot will rejoin the Trauma Surgery staff (previous Trauma resident at IHDM). Dr. Smoot comes to us from South Dakota and is looking forward to meeting with EMS providers at upcoming EMS week functions.

- April is Donate Life Month! See our Iowa Health Des Moines Website for various activities.

EMS week May 18-25th

- Mark your calendars for the IEMSA EMS memorial ceremony on May 18th at 1030 at WDM EMS public safety station 19.
- We will also be kicking off EMS week that evening (May 18th with our annual Life Flight EMS week celebration at the Blue Moon and Piano Bar. SAVE the DATE!
- There is much more to talk about regarding EMS week. Watch for postings in the EMS breakrooms at all 3 IHDM emergency departments!

Notes

- Thanks to West Des Moines EMS and Ankeny Fire for agreeing to participate in our ED nurse ride along with EMS program! So far the nurses who have participated have come back with a much better understanding of the pre-hospital environment and enjoyed building relationships with the EMS community.
- Trauma Tuesday Treats continue every Tuesday in the EMS room at IMMC.
- *Iowa Health Systems* is getting a new name. Coming in April, our new name and brand will be announced. Watch for a big change!