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CONNECTICUT EMS MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD
CMED COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE
March 8, 2023 1:30 pm ~ Virtual Meeting Via Zoom

Member Attendees: Betty Morris, Chair/North Central CMED; Steven Savage – Northwest Public Safety; Vaughn Dumas -Southwest Regional Communications Jon Rollinson, MEDCOM;

Unable to attend: Judi Reynolds – DPH/OEMS; Chuck Kelleher, Quinebaug Valley Communications; Doug Racicot - Tolland County 911; Tyler Millix, Tolland County 911; Matthew Duval – Norwich CMED; Groton Communications; Scott Wright, CTS; Shawn Finnigan, Waterford ECC; Kristin Vargas, Willimantic; Gregg Prevost – Valley Shore Emergency Communications; Dan Soule – Litchfield County Dispatch; Stephen Mastroianni, Southwest Regional Communications; Troy Clark, CTS

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Meeting called to order at 1:35 p.m.	Presented Minutes of the February 8, 2023 Meeting	Motion to approve (Dumas) seconded (Savage) - Minutes approved.
Statewide EMS Communications CMED Directory	Directory is being distributed. V. Dumas reported on the Yale Paramedic Program that requires an 8-hour observation component with SWECC. They receive a brief overview of dispatch training and information contained within the EMS Communications Directory. They also offer 4-hour dispatch observation of the EMS Services.	
State Interoperability CMED Work Group	No update.	
CMED 9-1-1 subsidy Funding	Discussion on the best route to take action on getting an increase to the 9-1-1 Fund CMED Service Credit. The \$.30 per capita fee is imbedded in DSET Regulations.	B. Morris will send a letter on behalf of the CEMSAB CMED Communications Committee to the 9-1-1 Commission requesting their support for an increase in the CMED Service credit.
Information Sharing	<i>Southwest ECC – Sponsoring an APCO Communications Training Officer Course – April 18-20 – 3 Seats left. Announcement sent to Managers of Emergency Communications Center Association (MECCA) -</i>	

Adjournment/Next Meeting	The meeting adjourned at 2:07 p.m. The next meeting is Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom.	

Respectfully submitted: Betty Morris, Chair

2023 Meetings, April 12, 2023, May 10, 2023, June 14, 2023, (No July or August meetings) September 13, 2022, October 11, 2023, November 8, 2023 and December 13, 2023

Goals for 2023 – (1) Distribute the 2022/2023 CT EMS Communications Directory (2) Pursue increase to the CMED subsidy from the State 9-1-1 Fund. (3) Develop CMED fact sheet and education component for users of the CMED system as well as Municipal Leaders (4) Pursue expansion of the P25 system.

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