



CEMSAB Regionalization and Emergency Preparedness Sub-Committee

April 1, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 11:00 by J. Laucella

Attendees: Mark Blake, Kate Coupe, Marc Hartog, Steve Conley, Judi Reynolds, Bob Ziegler, Bill Fitzmaurice, Joe Laucella, Kevin Ferrarotti

Meeting notes:

J. Laucella and K. Ferrarotti presented the concept of a volunteer EMS Operations Coordinator role. This role is similar in nature with fire service concept of regional “directors” that can serve multiple roles in regional collaboration efforts as well as regionally respond to acute large scale incidents as a facilitator to incident commander. J. Laucella reviewed the conversation recently regarding the role he, K. Ferrarotti, J. Reynolds, G. Allard and R. Coler had regarding. In this conversation, it was felt a role as such would best be hosted and created through the regional councils.

Detailed conversation ensued on the appropriate person this role would need to be filled by, and if the role should be split up amongst multiple individuals serving as a regional team.

The team relayed concerns of legality of response to an acute incident and the individual attempting to interpret regulations or statutes. J. Laucella and K. Ferrarotti discussed as a follow-up, once this role would come to fruition there would have to be agreements in place by the appointee and possibly their agencies to allow this individual to serve in this capacity.

The group consensus felt the utility of such a role can help to further bridge with challenges to have a unified command system structure that can work both regionally and across the state.

B. Ziegler discussed the vast similarities between the current work of the MCI subgroup and the fire service’s current regional role. As a takeaway, B. Ziegler will send the group the current information he has on both roles.

The group in conclusion was to further comment on the proposed job description within the week following. B. Fitzmaurice and M. Blake suggested that J. Laucella and K. Ferrarotti come to an upcoming CORP meeting to discuss this role further.

The next meeting will be held via Zoom on Thursday, May 6th from 11am – 12pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Ferrarotti, Co-Chair

Joe Laucella, Co-Chair