

CT. EMS Advisory Board Volunteer Committee

DRAFT MINUTES November 14, 2019

Location: Vernon EMS, 280 West Road

Members attendees: K. Coupe, J. Gauthier, P. Heavin, J. Paretzky, T. Rozanski Guest: S. Durante

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to order	Jay called the meeting to order at 18:45 A brief description of Vernon EMS was given.	None needed
Draft minutes	Motion and second to accept September draft minutes.	Passed unanimously
OEMS Report S. Durante	*Places and people to call to obtain the new mental first aid courses Was handed out. Those under 18 are now allowed to take them. Members were upset that this was sprung on us and wondered how It happened. This could cause staffing problems. *Sword Project response locations are now listed on the OD map on The OEMS website. *State protocols are being constantly being looked at and will Be updated yearly. *Mass casualty trailers are still being updated and home bases need To be found for several of them. * A mental health conference for first responders will be held Sometime soon.	Will continue to update the Members as things progress.

OEMS cont.	Effective January 1 st recertification will require CEUs for all levels. Information will be available on the OEMS website.	
EMRs for all levels Of response	A discussion of staffing levels ensued and a proposal was presented. Proposed: When an EMR is one half of an ambulance transport crew, The EMT, AEMT or Paramedic shall provide all patient care during Transport.	Motion and second to accept As presented. Approved by unanimous vote.
PTSD bill; 19-17	A task force was created to examine covering EMS and Correction Officers under the PTSD bill. There will be a hearing Friday 11-22 at The capitol.	Continue to track the progress Of the task force
Hand off	CEMSMAC has approved the EMS patient care hand off.	Keep members apprised of The next step
PSOB and tax abatement	Jay updated members and discussed the PSOB. As of October 1, 2019 The death benefit is \$365.670 and the educational e Benefit for one month of full-time attendance is \$1,248 A discussion of tax abatement and taxation of the benefit were mentioned. Not all volunteer groups get abatements.	Continue to keep everyone updated
Volunteer Committee	A question of would the group prefer a call-in meeting or meet in Person is preferred. Future meetings will be announced.	Jay will keep us informed

Meeting adjourned at 20:40

Submitted 11/19/2019 by Philip Heavin, Sec.