



Valley Emergency Medical Services

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Annual Meeting Minutes

VEMS Board of Directors

Thursday, October 21, 2021

Griffin Hospital

130 Division St Derby CT 06418

Attended: Jared Heon, David Geloso, Dr. Fred Browne, Bill Scollin, Bryan Ryan, Joseph Burnett, Jason Perillo

Phone: Madalene Taggart, Brian Mezzapelle

Absent: George Temple, Richard Dziekan, Jon Lovisolo, Noreen McGorty

Guest: Chris Brown, Jenn Oliwa, Joanne Fleming

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance
 - a. Meeting began 7:03 pm
2. Approval of minutes
 - a. Did not approve minutes
3. Public Comment
 - a. No public comment
4. Executive Director Report
 - a. Shelton is still an outstanding balance. Mayor has said its coming and I believe he is committed to this.
 - b. Audit is not finished, everything is done on our end but not done because the billing company is holding up. Need to keep this in the back of our minds. They seem more disjointed then they have in the past on the back end of things. Speaking for the audit it is Unusually delayed this year.
 - c. Contracts: met with Madelene and First Selectman Temple in Oxford. Conversations with Dr. Browne and Todd Lue, we presented Griffin Hospital with a bundle billing agreement that involves the three parties, all in a single agreement. Working thru a couple sections with Attorneys but it is set. Shelton agreement, Griffin is committed to this as well.
 - d. Financial side: good stuff we have not been hitting patient revenue budgets. But we are this year right now. Medics doing a good job, billing company doing a good job collecting. Expenses are better than budget almost exclusively to salaries and benefits
 - e. Cash on hand is strong.
 - f. No debt but we do have a line of credit that we have not had to use
 - g. OT is 6.5% this year. Higher than we have seen in the past
 - h. We are about 2 weeks away to have an execution agreement with Georgetown Fire Disrict in Redding. They reached out to us. Good reputation. Found them to be nothing but cooperative and it wll definely be a positive revenue screen with a 2 year agreement. 2 EMTs 24/7. They are trying to do some volunteer Saturday shifts. But we will see how it goes if they can. It's good to have volunteers. Bringing on some FT EMT's. B. Ryan wanted to know why Vintech was leaving. J. Perillo: Not sure but vintech is having some financial issues and struggling with staff we think. B. Ryan was cautious about why a service would leave abruptly. Is there a problem in Georgetown? Jason doesn't think so but it is a legit point.

- i. J. Heon asked if we have need for a ratification in New Business? Are we bringing back to the full board. Contract is at Berchem Moses
 - j. B. Scollin said it was his intent to bring up in New Business, if we need full board emergency meeting or can the executive committee meeting.
5. Supervisor Report
 - a. Jenn Oliwa gave update on Monroe with regard to construction / trailer/ conditions.
 - b. C. Brown: ALS % is on lower side: majority is cancel en-route in high 40/50% . Vehicles are good ..half of fleet state inspection completed. Other cars will be completed later in the month. Car 2 stripe will be completed soon every time we go to have it fixed another car has some issues. Having tough time filling FT weekend. Talk about shift differential. Fire dept. / EMS service are hiring medics. Hard to find quality medics.
 - c. J Heon asks if anyone on phone have any questions for Chris? No issues
6. New Business
 - a. Set meeting dates: dates were
 - b. J Heon asks for any letters. M. Taggart has hers but she is on phone not present
 - c. Open nominations.

Motion to nominate the current slate and have the recording secretary cast one ballot in the affirmative.

B. Ryan 1st, B. Scollin 2ND

J. Heon asks three times for any other nominations. No other nominations

Motion to close nominations

B. Scollin 1st, B. Ryan 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed

Recording secretary cast one ballot in the affirmative

Motion to accept the meeting dates

B. Scollin 1st, Dr. F. Browne 2nd, All in favor, Motion passed

Dr. Browne announces some new positions at Griffin and new associates. Trying to look closely at the Emergency dept and make some enhancements. There have been some changes to leadership, some retirements. We are having some staffing issues as the country is also. Focus on the department to as a whole. Consultants from an outside consulting firm there now. Working on our prosthesis.

After EMS week. Like to have an EMS recognition. Still in planning stages and would welcome feedback. Continues to inform board of changes and future initiatives.

Add to New Business :

J. Heon: As Jason alluded to earlier about the upcoming potential contract that may be fast starting. Contract is in review currently with legal counsel at this time and if ratification is necessary, have a full board meeting and if no quorum, the executive committee being in power to execute the contract

Motion to hold a full meeting and if not available to empower the executive meeting to act on the EMT Staffing contract

B. Scollin 1st, D. Geloso 2nd, All in Favor, Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn

B. Ryan 1st, B. Scollin 2nd, All in Favor, Motion passes

Respectfully Submitted,

Jared P. Heon

President, Board of Directors

