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WACEMS Regular Meeting Minutes, March 8, 2007, Lake Havasu City, AZ

PRESENT

Jake Barlow – Vice President
Sue Kern – KRMC
Edgardo Silva – San Luis Fire
Kimberly Briggs – ADHS
Javier Hernandez – Somerton/Cocopah Fire
David Martin - Golden Valley

Mike Caswell – Secretary
Jerry Stein – MCC
Al Masse – Tri Valley Ambulance
Bill Johnston – Kingman Fire
Jason Cramer – Buckskin Fire
- Pine Lake Fire

Kimi Locke – Treasurer
Rod Reed – ED
Jose Lizarraga – Quartzsite Fire
Cesar Mora – San Luis Fire
Rudy Barboa – Golden Valley
Shawn Lawless – Golden Shores

CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Jake Barlow called the meeting to order at 1002.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from January 11, 2007 were presented. Motion by Bill Johnston to accept the minutes as written. Vote was unanimous to approve.

REPORTS

- a. President's Report. No President's Report. Harry Nystedt was unable to attend.
- b. Treasurer's report. Rod Reed presented the and explained the WACEMS Profit and Loss and General Ledger reports for July 1, 2007 through March 7, 2007. Copies were available. Motion by Sue Kern to accept the Treasurers Report as stated. Vote was unanimous to approve.
- c. ADHS report. Kimberly Johnson stated that Terry Mullins was not able to attend and sends his apologies. She reported that the National Registry Testing site in Flagstaff is up and running at Northern Arizona University, and reminded candidates that they must go through the National Registry to request and be approved prior to taking the test.

COMMITTEE REPORTS & ACTION ITEMS

- a. Education Committee. Sue Kern reported that the committee had received education requests totaling \$5800.00. Requests included; Golden Shores for \$150 for a EMTP refresher, Somerton Fire for 1 EMTB refresher and 6 EMTP refreshers for \$1050, Buckskin Fire for 4 EMTB refreshers and 1 EMTP refresher for 750, San Luis for 3 initial EMTP certifications for \$1500, Pine Lake for one initial EMTB certification for \$200 and 1 EMTB refresher for \$150, and \$2000 for a PALS class in Kingman in April Motion by Sue Kern to accept the committees recommendations, vote was unanimous to approve.
- b. Equipment/Resource Committee. Bill Johnston reported that the committee had received equipment requests totaling \$1406.06. The requests included; a request from Tri-Valley

Ambulance for \$527 for batteries for an extrication tool, and Kingman Fire for \$889.06 for AED storage cabinets. Bill Johnston made a motion to approve the requests as stated, vote was unanimous to approve. Bill Johnston also made a motion to reimburse Provider Assistance Committee members for travel, vote was unanimous to approve.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. AED Grant. Rod Reed reported on the status of this project. All AED's have been purchased and most have been distributed. He is still working with providers to ensure appropriate paperwork is submitted and end user training is accomplished.
- b. Data Collection Project. This project was reported on by Rod Reed. In addition to sites already up and running with HealthEMS, Bullhead City, Golden Shores and Colorado City are interested. HealthEMS will be doing on-line demos for these agencies, and Rod will then follow up.
- c. Mohave Community College/National Registry Testing. Jerry Stein reported that Mohave Community College should be operational as a National Registry testing center by the end of April. MCC did put the process out to bid, and Pearson Vue was the only bidder and is in fact the sole source. MCC is currently working with Pearson Vue to make all of the MCC campus' National Registry test centers. The process will work as follows: student completes EMT class, applies to National Registry and Pearson Vue, MCC acknowledges the student successfully passed the program, and the student then works through Pearson Vue to schedule a test at an approved test site. Jerry also reported on an upcoming EMTP to RN program that MCC will be putting on, with first classes in July. Contact Jerry for more information.
- d. EMSC Committee. Sue Kern reported that the committee met on February 26, 2007. The committee had identified a goal that "no matter what Arizona zip code a pediatric illness/injury is cared for in, all patients will have same level of care and equipment provided for them." The committee has been slowed down by issues with training and equipment. Care will be modeled after the perinatal trust, and persons seeking pediatric care will be able to find a specialist with one phone call. The EMSC Committee is hoping to accomplish these goals without new legislation, and is seeking buy in from pediatricians. Another goal is to review the EMSsystem, and have available pediatric beds posted on website. Also, pediatric equipment will be a focus on upcoming ambulance inspections.
- e. Regional EMS Leadership Meeting. Rod Reed gave a brief overview of the most recent Regional EMS Leadership Meeting held in Phoenix on January 19, 2007.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. 2007-2008 Provider Assistance. Bill Johnston reviewed the Provider Assistance hearing process that took place on March 7, 2007. Bill read a list of agencies that applied for Provider Assistance as well as the Committee's recommendations (spreadsheet attached). Motion by Bill Johnston to approve the recommendations of the Provider Assistance Committee as stated. Vote was unanimous to approve.
- b. Bylaws review. Rod Reed reported that the WACEMS Bylaws can only be changed at the annual meeting. It has been five years since the Bylaws were reviewed. Please send him any changes you would like to see made, and he will compile and present them at the annual meeting. This was also scheduled as an agenda item for the next Executive Board Meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Next WACEMS Executive Board meeting will be via telephone conference call on April 12, 2007 at 1300.
- b. Next regular WACEMS meeting will be held on May 10, 2007 at 1000. The location will be the Hampton Inn in Lake Havasu City.

ADJOURNMENT