

Northern Neck Pre-Hospital Committee

In Regular Session  
July 13 2006

MINUTES

The NNPHC met in regular session on July 13, 2006 beginning at approximately 1900 hours in the Training Center at Rappahannock General Hospital, Kilmarnock VA.

Attending Members:

Dave Rundall: Mid-County VRS  
Rex Leftridge: Upper Lancaster VRS  
Pam Walker: Lancaster County EMS  
Michelle Jones: Montross VRS  
Jeff Beasley: Montross VRS  
Bruce Andrews: Northumberland VRS  
Cookie Haynie: Northumberland VRS (Committee Co-Chair)  
Scott Hudson: Lancaster County EMS (Committee Chair)  
Jerry Whitlock: King and Queen VRS  
Jesse Holmes: King and Queen VRS  
Harold Conley: Richmond County EMS (came late, left early)

Attending PEMS Staff:

John Cooke  
John Davenport

Not Represented:

Tappahannock VRS  
Tappahannock VFD  
Mattaponi VRS  
Callao VRS  
Kilmarnock-Lancaster VRS  
Westmoreland VRS

- Scott Hudson called the meeting to order at 1900 hours
- Minutes were provided to those present, and accepted as read. Motion/Second by Rundall/Beasley
- Introductions were made
- PEMS Assistant Director John Cooke was introduced to the committee, and gave an overview of who PEMS is, what PEMS does, and what PEMS doesn't do. Following, John opened the floor to questions from the committee members, including what PEMS can do to help the agencies and providers. Some suggestions were assistance in recruiting and retention efforts, as well as communication assistance between the County Administrators and the Agency leadership.

- Harold Conley from Richmond County, expressed his displeasure at the Committee, PEMS, and OEMS by leaving the meeting.
- There was considerable discussion as to PEMS role on the Northern Neck and on how to improve dialogue between the Council and Northern Neck agencies. Members of the Committee were given an opportunity to voice their concerns and have their questions answered.

Old Business:

- Spanish Class for Health Care Providers: Class is upcoming; information from Ellen Vest at PEMS will be posted as available.
- Performance Improvement: Status given on information and data collection. A meeting strictly for Northern Neck Agencies will be held from 7pm to 10pm on August 10, 2006 at a location TBA. This program will assist the NN agencies to develop their own PI program.
- STAT Box Phase 2 information presented by John Cooke. Mid-County VRS is the only agency to date that has expressed interest in the program; they will receive their boxes in approximately two weeks. Any other interested agency can still contact Tom Ezell at PEMS to be included.

Projects: John Cooke presented two projects that are being undertaken by the other two pre-hospital committees: Regional Restocking and Disaster Mgmt. for Assisted Living Facilities. The NNPHC was asked to designate some volunteers for each. One member of Northumberland (to be named later) was suggested for the restocking sub-committee.

New Business:

- Cookie Haynie addressed with the committee exactly who is a member and who has voting rights on the NNPHC. Much discussion was held, with input from virtually all agencies present. The discussion held the spirit that if any agency was represented at the committee, they should share a voice for the common good of the region. A proposed change of the NNPHC section of the PEMS by-laws, specifically addressing committee membership, was voted against following a motion/second from Haynie/Rundall.

Staff Report:

- John Davenport thanked the members present for attending, and requested assistance in soliciting participation from the absent agencies.
- John Cooke reminded the committee members that the RSAF deadline is 9/15/06, and offered assistance to any agency that needs help completing the paperwork and presenting. He also touched on the new "Agenda for the Future" and its implications for all EMS.
- Scott Hudson reminded the committee of EMS Appreciation Day at Kings Dominion.

Good of the order: Next meeting is Tuesday October 10, 2006 at PEMS. This is the annual joint pre-hospital meeting, which the NNPHC is hosting.

Motion to adjourn by Leftridge, second by Whitlock.

Meeting adjourned.