

VERMONT EMS DISTRICT 6
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Location: TBD
October 12, 2021

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- I. Call to Order / VM Roll Call – Mark Podgwaite Called to Order 19:00
- II. **Remote attendees: Jennifer Miner, Mark Podgwaite, Keith Van Iderstein, Joe Aldsworth, Howie McCausland, Peter Fitz, Gordon Murray, Ellen Stein, Matt Romei, Scott Bagg, Lawton Rutter, Marge Bower, Laurie Beth Putnam.**
- III. Approval of August Minutes: **Howie, Gordon. Motion carries**
- IV. Treasurer's Report – Laurie Beth Putnam **Financial Statements were sent. Worked with IRS and completed the audit, we are awaiting follow up. Hoping no news is good news. Bylaw committee should look at whistleblower protection. We had to file a 990 long form due to the monies that came in as grant funds. Gordon, Joe Motion Carried**
- V. Agenda Items from the Board
- VI. Reports:
 - A) Medical Advisor – Ellen Stein
 - 1) District Wide QA Process going forward **This process needs to started again, this will not be a difficult ask for anyone.**
 - 2) **Bariatric Patients: Healthnet is the only licensed transport provider for bariatric patients. If they are unavailable, please contact Dr. Stein and CVMC to determine what options are available.**
 - 3) **COVID 19 cases are up in the region, recommend wear N95 whenever possible even in low-risk cases. No mandate for members to be vaccinated at this point.**
 - 4) **Ryan White Act does require notification if you are exposed to communicable diseases**
 - 5) **Jamie Benson is putting together a Peds education November 1st. This is planned to be done quarterly.**
 - B) Training Coordinator – Scott Bagg
 - 1) **CTERT Course Completed testing at the end of the Month. 10/31 Carl Mattson will be the evaluator held at NERSA. There are 40-60 students in other areas that needs to test in the next 90 days.**
 - 2) **Bob and Howie's EMT Class 8 students**
 - 3) **We will get an update on Carl's EMT class soon**

4) VEFR Course on 11/28/2021 Must **do heart saver Course beforehand. \$50 Maximum of 30 students in NERSA, Unclear if this person will meet criteria for “2nd person” on the transporting service. This license will not be included in the protocols. Hot topic as to what they will or will not be able to do. Howie, LT Motion Carries.**

3) EMT Course at Norwich NU EMT Syllabus provided. Start on 1/6/22 through 4/10/22. Same lay out as prior classes, with a new textbook. Being held at NU. Cost \$1250, 625 for D6 service members. Jenn /Matt Motion carries.

C) CVMC Update- Jess Cullen **Not Present**

VII. Old Business:

A) MCI run card Approval– Matt **Capital West has this, but it is unclear if it has been implemented. Not implemented at Barre City. Howie will follow up on formatting feedback from his dispatch center. Go LIVE Date 11/1 to ensure the dispatch centers can review formatting concerns. Matt and Joe will follow up with adjoining district chairs to bring to their boards. Review dates 1/2022 and 3/2022. Scott, Howie. Motion Carries.**

B) Protocol Reduction Center Tabled- Remove

VIII. New Business:

A) Bylaw Committee Update Tabled- Remove

B) Automatic Paramedic Intercept Plan Review Tabled- Remove

C) Stroke Plan for transports to UVMMC and the current protocols Table Remove

D) BHRC AAR Table to December Meeting

E) Pfizer Boosters **Waterbury and BTEMS are operating booster clinics on Airport Rd, and soon will be moving to Berlin Mall. Clinics will also be held at the stations. Most EMS providers were given Moderna, not Pfizer.**

F) Plan for EMS Providers and Flu Shots **CVMC Just announced Flu clinics. Mandating shots for all employees. Unclear If EMS providers are included. CVHHH public clinics for flu vaccination. BarreCity.org website.**

G) EPIC Rollout on November 6th **System will be down between 1 am and 7 am. Whole facility will go up at once. Please be patient for the first few weeks to allow the ED staff an opportunity to learn this system. More steps to accepting labs from EMS providers. EMS Providers will no longer be sending the labs to the lab for processing. Orders can be entered while patients are in route to the facility in some cases.**

H) Car Seat Tech Course December **3 & 4, December 10 & 11. Held at NERSA must attend all 4 classes.**

I) SIREN for Fast Squads All **first responder services must enter their calls in SIREN. This is a requirement. This is part of the EMS Rules. If these go live 1/2022 these services will need our support.**

J) VEFR Course Curriculum and Certification. **Wonderful opportunity for Fire and Law Enforcement services. Canned course from AHA. I wish we could make this a lot less difficult to take. It seems like there a lot of obstacles to rolling out many of these courses at the same time.**

Courses can only be taught by IC. Good opportunity to get younger people in. This is a great recruitment and retention opportunity. Do we need to review Training Policy? There was no input by the DMAs. No protocols, no clear definition of scope. Who is “policing” them? Must still have service affiliation. Can Scott look at Training Policy. Also, should have the Bylaws Committee look at how they are incorporated into the board. Does this certification allow for initial patient contact. At the present time that is unclear. Course curriculum could be divided into 2 evening sessions as well.

IX. Announcements for the Good of the Order:

X. Adjournment: **2028 Scott, Howie Motion Carried**

Next Meeting: December 14, 2021, TBD

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