

Westport Volunteer Emergency Medical Service

Board of Directors Meeting

April 7, 2015

Martin called the board of directors meeting to order at 1902hrs.

Attendance: Jaime Bairaktaris, Russ Blair, Yves Cantin, Brian Crane, Erin Finch, Martin Iselin, Sandi MacPherson, Jay Paretzky, Chris Siano, Kathy Smith. Guests: Marc Hartog, Rob Pocius

Secretary's Report: Russ Blair made a motion to accept the minutes with some corrections. Jaime seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Jay circulated copies of the treasurer's report. A brief discussion followed. The new training mannequin expense will be re-booked to Capital Expense with the expense being amortized over five years subject to IRS accounting rules.

Committee Reports:

Finance: In Andrea's absence, Jay and Yves reported that the Finance Committee met with the advisor. Pursuant to the Financial Advisor's recommendation and as agreed unanimously, the mutual funds in the old brokerage account which were performing below their index were liquidated and the funds were moved to the advisory account. We are awaiting the new Morgan Stanley cash management program offer which should be available and reviewed in approximately one month.

Fundraiser: Russ reported the fundraiser is over \$121,000 to date.

Member Relations: Chris has ordered the membership years of service pins. There are seven people attending the state EMS conference. Five are attending 2 days and two are attending 1 day.

Training: Pat's EMT class is taking the written exam on Wednesday. They have one more class and then take their final practical on April 26. The class reported their ride along experience has been helpful and that they feel welcomed by the WEMS/WVEMS members.

Nominating: Rob Pocius, Erin Finch, and Deanna Hartog will make up the nominating committee.

Ambulance: The committee has meetings scheduled this month with 2 ambulance manufacturers. In addition, members will look at other manufactures while at the CT EMS Expo at the end of May.

New Business: Pat Salvo turned in the outside instructor's proposal. The cost for the new class is \$995 including materials, and students will purchase their books. Pat will teach the class.

The board opposed paying \$150 to put our logo in the EMS handbook at the state conference.

Alexandra Mignucci put in a request for reimbursement of \$850 for an EMT class she took and passed in 2014. Jay made a motion to reimburse her now for \$425 and the balance after she works 75 hours in the next six months. Motion seconded by Martin. Motion passed unanimously.

Jay is looking for trainers for the Tri-Town hands for life event at the Westport Weston Family YMCA on May 3rd. There will be a training class on April 29th at 7:00pm for any interested in being a trainer.

On Sunday May 17 the New York Mets are celebrating "EMS Day". A portion of each ticket sale will benefit the National EMS Memorial fund. Martin would like to know how many of our members would be interested in attending as a group. WVEMS would pay for the tickets, if we have enough of a response we could also provide transportation. The offer is for active members and their immediate family, wives, husbands, children.

A motion to adjourn was made by Jaime and seconded by Kathy. The meeting was adjourned at 2040hrs.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandi MacPherson, Secretary