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Westport Volunteer Emergency Medical Service

General Membership Meeting

June 28, 2016

Attendance: Nancy Sengstacken, Kathy Smith, Brian Crane, Rob Pocius, Audrone Tarnok, William Min, Nancy Surace, Claire Grosogoeat, Larry Kleinman, Jay Paretzky, Martin Iselin, Russ Blair, Isabel Blair, Yashasvi, Jenna Doran, Annika Morgan, Emma Baxley, Jaime Bairaktaris, Yves Cantin, Sandi MacPherson. Guest: Marc Hartog.

Yves called the meeting to order at 1934hrs.

Secretary's Report: Jaime made a motion to accept the General Membership Meeting minutes for May 24, 2016 as posted. Minutes seconded by Isabel. Passed unanimously.

Martin made a motion to change the order of the meeting to go directly to old business for elections of officers and directors and the new budget in case we had an ambulance call. Motion passed unanimously.

Elections for the new officers and directors were held. Kathy Smith withdrew her name from the slate. Russ made a motion for the secretary to cast 1 vote to accept the revised slate; President – Yves Cantin, Vice President – Martin Iselin, Treasurer – Larry Kleinman, Secretary – Sandra MacPherson. Directors: Jaime Bairaktaris, Russ Blair, and Rob Pocius. The directors will serve two years. Claire seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Yves thanked Kathy and Jay for their work on the board.

Jay Paretzky handed out the new budget proposal for July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Larry made a motion to accept the new budget, and Martin seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Member Relations: Yves mentioned he would work with Chris to finalize the incentive program.

Training: Brian said the EMT refresher was completed this past Saturday, all passed the practicals and waiting on written exam results. Jaime and Claire are in driver training. Just finalized dates for the fall EMR/EMT class, Pat Salvo will be teaching. Mike wants to remind Crew Chiefs to email him if they feel they have an intern ready to be cleared from internship.

House: Martin reminded everyone to clean up dinner dishes, and other items in the day room. He has purchased new knives, please don't put them in the dishwasher as they bang up against the other cutlery in the basket and get damaged. Also, keep grill clean and replace cover when grill cools off. This will extend the life of the grill.

CPR: Jay reported we taught 200 classes and 1846 students. He also reported in seven years we held 1307 classes and taught 10,810 students.

Ambulance: 603 is being upfitted with GPS/back up camera, and chevrons on the back of the ambulance to match our two new ambulances.

Scholarship: Jay presented the Edwin A. Audley Scholarships to the following people pursuing studies in emergency medicine fields: Deanna Hartog, Claire Grosogeat, Yashasvi Jhangiani, and Anna Daytz.

State/Counsel: The state is not promoting the AEMT program at this time.

PR: Yves said we had good press on the President's Volunteer Service Awards that were presented at the May General Membership Meeting. Yves spoke at a Sunrise Rotary meeting. Please let him know of similar recruiting opportunities. We will try to have a presence (table) at PTA meetings. Please let him know if you might have helpful connections to set this up.

New Business: Reminder about the 4th of July fireworks and to be at HQ 1700hrs. Andrew Dinitz will be doing the BBQ at the beach.

Kathy spoke about the upcoming summer picnic at the YMCA in Westport on August 7th. Invitations will go out in email.

Yves asked members to think about recognizing fellow volunteers for the EMT of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, Explorer of the Year and Volunteer Crew Chief of the Year. We need the nominations within the next two weeks.

Jaime made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Sandi. The meeting was adjourned at 2034hrs.

Minutes respectfully submitted by, Sandi MacPherson, Secretary