

**Westport Volunteer Emergency Medical Service  
General Membership Meeting  
September 24, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 1930 by Martin Iselin, President

Attendance: John Cloonan, Andrea Harman, Nancy Sengstacken, Jay Paretzky, Audrone Tarnok, Kathy Smith, William Min, Larry Kleinman, Richard Frazier, Martin Iselin, Yves Cantin, Chris Siano, Isabel Blair, Russ Blair, Christa Iannaccone, Erin Finch, Jean Marie Wiesen, Brian Crane, Allie Mignvccil Alex Galvao, Sara Banbury, Jaime Bairaktonis, Norman Coltin, Michele Brewster, Sandi MacPherson

The minutes for the June 25, 2013 General Membership Meeting were accepted as posted. Motion made by Jean Marie Weisen and seconded by Erin Finch...

Treasurer's Report and investments committee Report: He started by reminding the attendees that his term limit will be up in June and that we're looking for Treasurer Candidates to help out in the Treasurer's functions. Perhaps such a person would then consider the Treasurer position next year. Yves mentioned that the function could be divided and that he would be around to help as much as needed. Pursuant to the By-Laws applicable to the September General Membership meeting, Yves then presented as a recap of the financial institutions accounts were WVEMS assets are held (the details are in the "Investments Recap" report that was distributed). Yves explained that the new investment strategy approved at the last General Membership Meeting and at the Board of Directors is being implemented. Finally, Yves summarized the Budget Performance Report. He explained that thus far this fiscal year, we are on track to meet budget. The Explorer Revenues is significantly above budget due to the income from the new classes being run. The Explorer Post expense is expected to offset this revenue due to the cost of running the classes. CPR is also showing good results. A donation in the amount of \$1,500 was actually generated as result of the last "Harrison's Heart" special class held.

Committee Reports:

Grants: Russ Blair reported that

Fundraiser: The fundraiser is the same general theme we had last year. The fundraiser will go out in November. A banner will be across Main St from Christmas to New Years.

Training: Brian Crane reported that the EMT/EMR class is in full swing with 15 EMT students and 5 EMR students. Renewal for Centrelearn contract is due to end in October. He suggests everyone make use of the online training if we want to keep it. EMT refresher in works for late November (traditional classroom and online program, if we renew).

November DCF is coming for a training class on Mandatory Reporting for Abuse and Neglect. Date is scheduled for Thursday November 21<sup>st</sup>. Driver program in works will be in October, Jay and Mark Blake will be instructing. Intern program being revamped with the help of Kevin to streamline training and testing of new members. January will be mandatory OSHA training and CPR for all members due in 2014. Rich Frazier will be lecturing for CERTS on 9/25 on the "Active Shooter" call and see if space is available if you have not attended the lecture.

House: Martin is looking to put up photos in the day room from EMS Picnic and other events. Jay reported C-pap accepted, Spinal Immobilization approved, and there is a new equipment list from the state. Erin Finch, Pamela Joseph, and Chris Siano are new CPR Instructors. CPR training is ongoing.

#### Old Business:

Yves reported that many have signed up for the EMT/EMR class, but there are expenses. Jean Marie made a motion to spend up to \$12,500 for training the EMT/EMR class. Motion seconded by Kathy Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

Martin said that we should think about using our uniform incentive. Also October is when we change our uniform to our fall/winter. A big thank you to Andrew Dinitz for cooking dinner tonight. Next year the State EMS conference will be held at Mohegan Sun. Martin introduced new WVEMS members; Jaime Bairaktonis, Sara Banbury, Allie Mignvce, Alex Galvao, Christa Iannoccone, John Cloonan, and Larry Kleinman. Martin read names of those getting tax rebates and passed out checks for those who do not live in Westport

New Business: Yves made a motion to appoint Capossela and Cohen as our auditors and authorize the payment of the audit fee in the amount of \$10,000. Motion passes unanimously.

A motion to adjourn was made by Jean Marie and seconded by Erin Finch.  
The meeting adjourned at 2045 hrs.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,  
Sandi MacPherson, Secretary