

**Westport Volunteer Emergency Medical Service  
Board of Directors Meeting  
February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Yves called the board of directors meeting to order at 19:09 hours.

*Attendance:* Yves Cantin, Martin Iselin, Larry Kleinmann, Russ Blair, Andrea Harman, Jake Healy, Nancy Surace, Brian Crane, Rob Pocius, Jaime Bairaktaris and Erin Finch.

Guest: Marc Hartog and Nancy Sengstacken.

*Scholarship:* Nothing new at this time.

*CPR:* Nothing new at this time to report.

*State/Counsel:* New Executive Board members were voted and are as follows: Mark Blake was named president. Barbara Crandall is Senior VP. Chris Bradbury is Vice President. Matt Soicher is Treasurer.

*Secretary's Report:* Rob made a motion to approve the January meeting minutes that were circulated, seconded by Jake. Larry has not had a chance to look at the minutes to make sure the money amounts are correct at this time. Martin abstained at this time. All others voted to adopt the minutes.

*Treasures Report:* Rob has made a motion to table the treasures report till next month, seconded by Martin. Unanimous vote.

**Committee Reports:**

*Finance:* Finance committee meeting will be held on Friday 2/9/18.

*Fundraiser:* Another mailing will go out towards the end of the month.

*Member Relations:* There is a list of people waiting on orientation, which is being discussed, and being pushed forward.

*Training:* Both Pat's EMT class and the current EMT refresher will end this weekend. Next EMT refresher will be later on this summer. Rick stated there would be a committee meeting this week for the intern program. Different ideas of how to progress the intern program are being discussed. A liaison program for new members has been discussed to help new members navigate how WVEMS operates.

*Ambulance:* Nothing new at this time.

*House:* The equipment to fix the chairs has been delivered; the repair guy has been unable to get here yet to repair the chairs. Maintenance has been here to put mousetraps. No food products should be kept in the draws.

*Website:* Is a work in progress and the new website is being worked on at this time. The revisions are being put in Google. Everything is moving forward but the physical design has not been seen yet. Additional information needs to be added to the FAQ section. All members are invited to send your FAQ's to populate the new selection.

*Public Relations:* Social media is going very well. The town of Westport is following our page and is sharing our items. Over 70 people attended hands only for Bedford Middle School, which got our name out there. Also the Maker Fair is expecting over 12,000 people this year so we can get our name out there to many more.

#### **New Business:**

McGrath device has been demoed a few times by the sales rep Michael Hooper. The hospital has purchased some of the devices and they will be put into service shortly. These are getting good review by the medics that have been testing them. The hospital is not buying them for the satellites so we would need to buy 3 of them if we chose to. Motion to spend up to \$8500.00 for 3 McGraths made by Rob, seconded by Larry. Unanimous.

You Make a Difference Program we are looking at new items to be included in choices that members could pick from this year. Motion to authorize spending \$7000.00 to spend on The You Make A Difference Program Larry, Andrea seconded. 8 in favor, 2 against, the motion carries. Larry makes a motion for the committee to come back and make a suggestion of the direction and a detailed itemization on the you make a difference program. 2 abstained.

EMS Expo 2018 motion made 1 night of lodging with same requirements as last year and up to two days of pass. If a 3<sup>rd</sup> day of classes wants to be attended by a person they will pay the difference to WVEMS. Motion made by Jaime, seconded by Jake. Unanimous.

Rob proposed an amended to pay for all 3 days and 1 night of lodging same requirements as last year, seconded by Larry. Unanimous on the amendment.

#### **End:**

Martin made a motion to adjourn at 21:22 hours. Russ seconded the motion.

Minutes submitted by Erin Finch, secretary.