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Northwest Georgia Region 1 Emergency Medical Services Council  
Office of EMS Region 1 Headquarters  
Executive Committee  
Rome, GA  
January 20, 2011

Present:Members:

Chairman Russell McDaniel (Pickens County)  
Vice Chairman Randy Pierson (Floyd County)  
Larry Owens (Bartow County)  
Lana Duff (Catoosa County)  
Dr. Jill Mabley (Cherokee County)  
Lonnie Oliver (Fannin County)  
Courtney Taylor (Gordon County)  
Craig Norton (Haralson County)  
Jeff Putnam (Whitfield County)

Staff:

David Foster (Region 1 Acting Director/Training Director)  
Monique Wheeler (Region 1 Administrative Assistant)

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Chairman Russell McDaniel. The first order of business was approval of the minutes of the last meeting. A motion was made by Craig Norton and second by Randy Pierson to approve the minutes as circulated. The motion was carried and the minutes were approved as circulated.

David Foster gave the report on the status of the council membership. Mr. Foster reported that he has received a letter of re-appointment on the following county positions: Bartow, Catoosa, Cherokee, Dade, Fannin, Floyd, Gilmer, Gordon, Haralson, Murray, Paulding, Polk, and Whitfield (to fill the 2011, two year term expiring 1/2013). Mr. Foster reported that he has received a letter of appointment on the following county positions: Bartow, Catoosa, Chattooga, Cherokee, Floyd, Gilmer, Pickens, Walker (to fill 2011 term expiring 1/2012).

Dr. Mabley gave the Medical Director report; she stated that EMSMDAC has not met since last council meeting so there is no report to give. Dr. Mabley shared that at the state level for Public Health/EMS there will be a transition of education curriculum. She stated there will several components to this and discussed with the council. One of the main changes will be new levels with the scope of practice for all First Responders, EMT- B, EMT- I, EMT-P. The state will continue to re-license I-85's , once the new curriculum is implemented in 2013 the state will no longer re-license I-85's. The state will no longer re-license 1/2012 for advanced and 1/2013 for Paramedic's.



David Foster gave the training report; he was very pleased with the amount training that was done throughout the region. There were over two hundred separate courses taught throughout the region, trained over four thousand personnel, attendees with the courses, with three thousand hours. We are at ninety-seven percent compliant with returned rosters. David discussed that he plans to still do as much training as he can with the transition of his new role as acting EMS Director.

Kelly Buddenhagen gave the EMSC report; she stated they have not met since the last council meeting, nothing new to report. Kelly will be meeting next week with the State Director and Dr. Mabley to set an agenda. The next meeting will be in February. The next EMSC conference is in Gainesville it will be in June.

Old Business: None

New Business: The nominating committee met at 9:00 a.m. prior to the executive meeting.

The report was made by David Foster.

The Nominating Committee presented their recommendations.

Randy Pierson (Chairman), Lana Duff (Vice-Chair).

The three at-large positions are filled by Jim Cutcher, Richard Eberhart, and Randy Pierson the positions will expire (1/2012).

Courtney Taylor, Robert Early, Bud Owens, Larry Owens, Sloan Elrod, Lana Duff, Lonnie Oliver, and Criag Norton (Executive Council). We will present the recommendations to the council as a written ballot and ask for nominations from the floor, we will add any nominations to the written ballot.

Council Recorder Appointment: David Foster stated he would like to designate Sherry Peace from Redmond Regional EMS as recording secretary. He has discussed with her this position and she has accepted the appointment. Sherry will be responsible for the agenda, minutes, and communications with the executive council, chairman and vice-chairman for future meetings. David discussed the changes in the by-laws that allow him to make this appointment. David discussed that his double duty in responsibilities for such a long period of time would not allow him enough time to devote to such an important job. Therefore he would like to make this change. David also expressed that he would like for there to be some separation from the Regional office and the council.

Awards Committee Issues: David Foster recommends that all award packets be sent directly to the Regional office. This is for security protection and to maintain the integrity/privacy for all agencies. The Awards Banquet will be March 17<sup>th</sup>. 2011 at the Clarence Brown Conference Center in Cartersville Georgia. The banquet will be sponsored by Southeastern Supply. There will be a meeting forthcoming with the awards committee and the Southeastern Supply representative to discuss arrangements for the awards banquet. David Foster shared that he had talked with Dr. Krell to see if he would be the keynote speaker for the awards banquet. Dr. Krell actually started this region and we have an award named after him, it would be a great honor for him to speak. David Foster discussed that at the December meeting the committee agreed that they will be renaming the Pediatric Call of the Year Award to the David Loftin Pediatric Call of the Year Award. Mr. Loftin has put countless hours and time into the Pediatric program. Mr. Loftin's focus on this program has been enormous through his career. David Loftin is very deserving to have the award renamed in his honor.



The executive committee discussed the rsvp's for the banquet, there are issues with payment and the purchase of them.

Chairman Russell McDaniel made a request to add an item to the agenda. Mr. McDaniel expressed concerns of all the at large positions expiring at the same time. McDaniel made a request to alternate those positions with at least one of the at large positions. Craig Norton made a motion that in 2012 one of the at-large positions will have a one year term, after that one year term the position will go back to a two year term. Jeff Putman second the motion, the vote was unanimous by the committee, motion carried. This motion will be voted on by the council and will have to have a majority two-thirds vote to pass.

Chairman Russell McDaniel made a motion to adjourn was second by Jeff Putman. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Peace, Recording Secretary