Bayfield-Ashland Counties EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES May 2, 2019

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting of the Bayfield-Ashland Counties EMS Council was called to order by Tam Hofmann, President.

Meeting was held at MMC in Ashland.

MINUTES – Minutes of the April meeting were reviewed.

Motion by Joe Schick, seconded by Lyn Cornelius to accept the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL – The financial report was reviewed by Steve Cordes, Treasurer.

- April Balance \$9,567.58
- Expenses/Stamps \$11.00
- Patient taxi account: \$108.00
- o Total Balance: \$9,664.58 Motion made by Lyn Cornelius, seconded by Dan Clark, to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR – Dr. Shultz requested services review protocols and identify any issues that should be addressed.

Mayo Clinic Ambulance Service – Gold Cross Ambulance has always been owned by Mayo. The name change to Mayo Clinic Medical Transport is intended to familiarize the public with that. Ambulances are being "rewrapped" and uniforms will change. There are no changes in staff or functions.

DATA COLLECTION – Bayfield County Ambulance Services responded to 1335 calls for service in 2018; Ashland County Ambulances responded to 1775 including intercepts.

Discussion about resources and what data to collect. Reasons to be looking at data include answer questions of the public, establish accountability to selves, develop models for improvement, and illustrate the value of our services.

Jan Victorson was asked to contact Chuck Happel of the state EMS office and WARDS manager to request reports both summarized and individual data for services of the Council.

Discussion about making a responsibility of the Vice-President the "keeper of the data".

CARDIAC ARRESTS – Discussion about disposition of bodies after cardiac arrest/CPR stopped. Do not endanger EMS personnel when actions will not make a difference.

MMC – Jan read an email from Erika from sunny Anniston, Alabama to those in attendance. "First, I am going to post in the EMS office my contact information for your Service members to contact me directly for feedback on particular patients. My email: <a href="mailto:ekurtz@ashlandmmc.com">ekurtz@ashlandmmc.com</a>.

Secondly, I intend to have dinner for our June meeting and will send out details as I make them. I also have on order a gift for your service members that I will give out to you at that time. Happy EMS week in a few weeks! I will be ack Monday, May 6 and be safe!"

RESCUE DIVAS – Jan also read an email from Erika on Rescue Divas. Rescue Divas is scheduled June 9 thru 13 at Camp Northwoods in Delta. All is ready.

HEMS – Life Link III Brooke distributed educational offering scheduled for June 18<sup>th</sup> in Solon Springs. LinkED is open to all. They are also participating in Ashwabay/CAMBA trails rescue training, Be Somebody event and Rescue Divas mock drill.

WITC - No report.

BLUE MASS – Dan Clark reported that the Blue Mass is schedule for June 19<sup>th</sup>. This is a Knights of Columbus service project meant to honor emergency services of all persuasions. More information will be available soon.

BYLAWS – The bylaws were reviewed with changes noted. An additional change was made to Article IV Officers, Section 4 to read: "The Vice President will discharge the duties of the President in the event of the President's absence and oversee data collection of the Council."

The Bylaws will be reviewed again at the June meeting with approval requested at that time.

PROTOCOLS – Discussion related to protocol review and revisions. Protocols are updated as changes in medical care are identified. The state EMS office is developing protocols they will encourage be adopted statewide. Ashland Fire has recently revised their protocols. EMR do what is in the current protocols. Dr. Shultz has not authorized advanced skills for EMRs. Consider working from one set of protocols

EMS LETTER – Jan read through a letter drafted to be sent to chief elected officials in local jurisdictions

Bayfield and Ashland Counties. The letter offers the Council as a source for information related to the local EMS system. Instructed to contact Dorothy Tank for Ashland County information.

BE SOMEBODY – The Be Somebody awareness and recruiting event is scheduled for Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> along the US Hwy 2 corridor in Brule. Invitations to the event were distributed. A strong EMS presence would be great to have with both ambulances as EMS providers. Donations are still being accepted for radio and television ads, *Motion made by Dan Clark, seconded by to donate \$250 toward the Be Somebody event. Motion carried.* 

NEXT MEETING – The next scheduled meeting is June  $6^{th}$  – 7:00 pm at MMC/Ashland.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion made by rob Puls, seconded by Lyn Cornelius to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

## IN ATTENDANCE

Jeff Byerhof South Shore
Dan Clark Washburn / BASO
Steve Cordes Mason / MMC
Lyn Cornelius Bayfield
Sam Gilbert Iron River
Lynnette Hansen Red Cliff

Tam Hofman South Shore / APIS

Rob Puls Great Divide
Chris Pribek Ashland
Joe Schick Mason

Jonathan Shultz Medical Director

Jordan Sjogren APIS Jan Victorson BAEM