



Wisconsin EMS Association
Board of Director's Meeting MINUTES
Friday March 25, 2022, at 8:00 am

1. Call to Order – Brian
 - a. Members Present: Jamie, Chance, Tony, Jay, Brian, Stacey, Bob, Evelyn,
 - b. Absent: Becky, Katy, Jody
 - c. Others Present: Alan
2. Approval of the Agenda – Brian - Motion-Tony, Second Jay to approve Agenda. Motion Carried
3. Approval of Minutes – Tony – February Meeting Minutes, Motion Jay, Second Stacey to approve as presented. Motion Carried.
4. Welcome and Introductions – Brian
 - a. Member Comments (limited to 3 minutes per member commenting not to exceed 15 minutes total) Mark Knier – Newton Fire Department – no comments
5. Consent Agenda
 - a. Advocacy Now WEMSA Political Action Committee– Bob
 - i. Legislative Session is ending soon – Legislators not having meetings till January. Committee is continuing efforts to keep momentum going.
 - ii. PTSD – Great testimony at the hearing earlier this month.
 - iii. EMS as Essential Service will be a priority
 - iv. Reminder to work with Current legislators and candidates to inform them or WEMSA's agenda
 - b. Education – Jamie Virtual
 - i. Conference being worked on, and Speakers evaluated
 - ii. Organ Donation Virtual Webinar April 5
 - iii. Mental Health Monthly offerings have been well received.
 - c. Finance – Jay, Tony, Alan
 - i. Conference Bills have all been paid
 - ii. Continuing to work on the opioid project
 - d. Foundation – Tony
 - i. Meeting on March 9. Current members are engaged. Continue to look for additional members.
 - ii. We have verbally received grant from Cars Curing Kids to fund Paediatric Jump Bags for Ambulance Agencies. \$30K to \$50K throughout the summer.
 - iii. Members becoming active in securing money for Scholarships for EMS training. One \$1000 gift for 5 years committed.
 - e. Membership – Becky –
 - i. 5 new departments/agencies already this year.
 - ii. Website Design being completed for several departments.
 - iii. Student welcome boxes to be given to EMS students at Technical Colleges as part of the student membership. Working on sponsors.
 - f. Publications – good response to our current issue.
 - i. Pam has resigned from BOD so chair is open
 - ii. Alan is looking for board member information for an upcoming article.

- g. Memorial – Brian – Kick Off Event June 25, 2022, in Wisconsin Rapids.
 - i. Cost estimate for changing information on the sign is being requested. This should be the first thing as we start to raise funds.

Motion Tony, Second Stacey to accept consent agenda. Motion Carried

6. Operations Report – Alan

- a. Coffee Shop at Office is not going to happen.
- b. New tenant. 3 offices for 3 years
- c. Working on Conference room for additional common space.
- d. EMS Portal Launching. WEMSA Learning portal rollout soon.
- e. WEMSA Workforce Development
- f. State EMS Associations leadership meeting. Talked about day to day challenges that are being faced.

7. Old Business None

8. New Business

- a. Pam has Resigned position
- b. Brian Donaldson has taken a position in GA. Stepping down from BOD
- c. Shauna Bryant has been recommended to fill Pams position through 2023. Motion Jamie Second Jay to accept Shauna. Motion Carried.
- d. Board Election. Four positions being voted on for 2022.
 - i. Tony
 - ii. Jay
 - iii. Bob
 - iv. Stacey
 - v. Other positions due to resignations.
- e. By-law Change Motion by Jay Second by Stacey to approve the recommended changes to the membership section of the bylaws. Motion Carried.
- f. Strategic Planning – We need to get back to have look at planning. Create a Strategic Planning Group. Tony, Alan, Jamie, and Stacey

9. President's Report – Brian

- a. Brian reported the timing of his move.
- b. Continued Engagement and Involvement – Key to getting anything completed.
- c. Continue to work on Reciprocity to make moving into Wisconsin EMS easier.
- d. Continue to work with the state on Funding (grant programs)

10. For the good of the Association – Roundtable

- a. Many offered congratulations and comments on the impact that Brian has made on the organization in his tenure on the Board and as leader.

11. Adjourn Motion Stacey, second Jamie, Motion Carried

12. Next Meetings

- a. April 22, 2022: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference
- b. May 27, 2022: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference
- c. June 24, 2022: To be announced – possible in person meeting at Wisconsin Rapids
- d. June 25, 2022: Memorial Fundraising Kick-off event
- e. July 22, 2022: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference
- f. Aug 26, 2022: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference