



**Wisconsin EMS Association**  
Board of Director's Meeting AGENDA  
Friday, May 21, 2021 at 0800-0930

1. Call to Order – Brian
  - a. Not in attendance: Aimee Krause, Evelyn Dax
2. Approval of the Agenda – Brian –
  - a. Moved by Tony, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jay, Motion passes.
3. Approval of Minutes – Aimee –
  - a. Moved by Tony, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stacey, Motion passes.
4. Welcome and Introductions – Brian –
  - a. Introduction of Bob Salov (new WEMSA Board member) and Mike Konecny CPA to report on his findings later in this meeting.
  - b. Member Comments (limited to 3 minutes per member commenting not to exceed 15 minutes total) –
    - i. No members present.
5. Consent Agenda
  - a. Advocacy – Brian –
    - i. Lots of updates from Forbes, Lots of legislation but nothing substantive, Iowa EMS Association passes 'essential' service. Setup time to talk to IEMSA leaders on how they successfully did that. Alan to reach out to IEMSA lobbyist/ leadership and set up time to discuss how they did it. Discussions around different legislation in the works. The bills that are passing through legislature right now are very light in content. Need to make sure we are getting our message out to membership regarding short term vs. long term gains in EMS with legislative efforts. If you know anyone who is interested in advocacy send them to this group to join. EMS not being an essential service isn't clear to the public and we need to push this out to them and create awareness around essential service.
  - b. Education – Aimee – **Not Present.**
    - i. No podcasts now. Alan needs help with topics that won't prevent people from attending our future events. We could use podcasts to market for our future events. Need to get something to members consistently. Kirk has contacts from OAC for a possible WISCOM podcast. He will make the connection between him and Alan. Advanced Care Home Program/ CEMS is rapidly expanding, Kirk could get a group together for another idea for podcasts.
  - c. Finance – Jay / Mike Konecny (CPA) –
    - i. Account balances are the same as last month, we're holding steady. Mike provides his final findings on his WEMSA Association and Foundation audit. The QuickBooks reports are not accurate because the past Finance Directors didn't reconcile finances correctly. Ryan hopes to have QuickBooks reporting correct before the next conference. Alan will readjust the budget for 2021-2022 to include percentages of salaries, benefits allocation, and expenses into the OD2 grant as cost centers. Beaugrand Accounting should be able to assist with that in QuickBooks. Foundation reconciliation should be handled by someone other than WEMSA Finance Coordinator. Once we have the Foundation Board back active and a Treasurer appointed again that person will take over a lot of those tasks. The Foundation Treasurer should have some financial/ accounting knowledge. Jay would like to see electronic bank statements; he has access to the bank account at this time. WEMSA Association should apply for state tax exempt status.
  - d. Foundation – Tony –



conference time (close to hunting season) or the week before which is Halloween. The Village of Rothschild is going to help pay for a piece of the Conference fee just to get us there. We will be setting up a public event to help raise money for the memorial. Central WI is also willing to work with us on food, there isn't a minimum, where other expo centers are not willing to work with us and have minimums. Brian asks for a motion that Alan will send an email with clear cost analysis on each viable option. Once the email is received the board will make their decision to approve the venue for the conference via email and will not need to meet. Moved by Kirk, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tony, motion carries.

b. Other New Business

9. President's Report – Brian – Happy EMS Week!
10. For the good of the Association - comments and announcements
11. Adjourn

**Next Meetings**

- a. June 25, 2021: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference
- b. July 23, 2021: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference
- c. August 20, 2021: 0800-0930 hrs, Ops21 Leadership Event, Rothschild, WI (will have virtual option)
- d. September 24, 2021: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference
- e. October 29, 2021: 0800-0930 hrs, WEMSA 2021 Conference (will have virtual option)
- f. November 19, 2021: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference (due to holiday)
- g. December 17, 2021: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference (due to holiday)