

Oswego County Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council

EMSAC MEETING  
February 12, 2002  
Oswego City Fire Department

The meeting was called to order at 1900 hours by Chairman Jim Jones.

No one was present for open floor discussion.

Approval of the minutes from December was postponed until later in the meeting.

Correspondence:

IN: Notice of training for mandated reporting to be held at NOCA 2/25 & 2/26.

911 newsletter we are still trying to get them to add our address,

OUT: Jim reported he had mailed an assessment of need and received a 25% response; he will reissue in the spring and see what the requests are. 1-23-02 letter to Bob Hayes regarding our input on the new EMD system. Discussion followed and will be addressed during new business.

Chair Report: Throughout the meeting

Coordinator's Report: Judy reported that course sponsorship for Penny's course has been rewritten and sent to the state, she has received e-mail saying the corrections are OK and is awaiting Regional approval.

Also, Judy has received information on Ped's Assessment, AED, and BLS skills exam and policy sheets. Jim and Mark will get with Judy regarding distribution.

Questions regarding course sponsorship for AHA CPR our main concern is rapid return of information for new classes. Judy spoke with Cathy Hogan regarding the volume of cards and Cathy feels we should have no problem with turn around.

Committees:

Education & Training:

No meeting since last report, however Mark has a Basic & Challenge wrapping up, Mark Demma is planning on having a Basic Refresher and CFR refresher Anne Marie is completing a Basic Class in Phoenix, and Penny is starting a basic at NOCA in March and has just begun a daytime class at Alcan.

Jim had 1 registration for his CC refresher but a lot of information requests after the course was cancelled. Jim is concerned are Corps may not be

following through with Pilot Program backing after starting the application process. He is recommending a couple of information sessions be set up around the county to educate people regarding the requirements associated with renewing through the Pilot. Discussion followed regarding the relation to retention issues

Greg will take this information to the Fire Advisory Board and Jim will contact DeGregario for information on Onondaga's Pilot Program.

Greg will bring the information back to April's EMSAC meeting for us to schedule the dates, time and location for the sessions.

Penny & Judy will also look into the feasibility of the county sponsoring a Pilot Program class.

Clinical Coordinator: Not Present

Fire Advisory Board: Question regarding the MCI trailer, it is located at Oswego Town and available by calling Ford Babcock at 343-6508.

Greg reported that Dan Dunn has a different course for EMS on WMD Tactical, it is a 12 hour course and agencies should call Dan Dunn if interested.

There is no mandated Topic of the Year for 2002, but this information could be used for PP credit.

Penny and Greg will contact Danny and see about potential dates, they will respond back to Jim Jones.

EMS Coordinator is still a work in progress and still not much new to add.

155.340 Fire Advisory has questions regarding the updates, EMO donated a base unit which is now located at the Hastings Tower, they are continuing to work towards a solution.

Oswego County Training Comm. is working on guidelines for Incident Command, Accountability and Rapid Intervention Teams; they will forward the information to ambulance Corps when it is ready for comment.

Unfinished Business; Talking points have been mailed to agencies; Corps are encouraged to contact their legislators regarding the appointment to replace Sue.

We also discussed ID badges and county wide accountability as separate issues, especially in an MCI. It is different for the EMS people since they may frequently be on different equipment throughout the event. Greg will Clarify and report back on what may be needed until the basic guidelines are established.

REMAC BLS appointment. There are currently 2 resumes received, Sally Metott and Joe Rathbun, Jim would like to wait for another meeting and see if we have any more interest, will be decided at next meeting. REMAC meetings are held every other month at 5PM on Thursday's so this makes it difficult for some to attend.

HAZMAT MCI 5/4/02 8AM-12PM at Oswego County BOCES; Mexico Fire Department, Oswego Fire and Ambulance, both hospitals, and they need more ambulance corps involved. There is a strong emphasis on decontamination procedures.

There is now a new DOH policy requiring EMT's to be mandated reporters, NOCA has 2 sessions scheduled and other agencies are setting them up, most everyone is making them open sessions. If any questions or you need a session call DSS. The southern part of the county will set up a session.

New Business; EMS week celebration in May, we may need some press. Jim Jones is interested if anyone wants to help. Sandie Hargrave reported that McFee is planning on dedicating their training room in Susan's memory that week as well, plans are still not concrete.

There will be a new class for Child Safety Seat Technician's at Oswego Town Fire Dept in March, 4 Monday's and 2 Saturday sessions. Dave Martin and Margaret Bweer4s will be teaching, Jim will put it on the website.

Next meeting Northshore April 9, 2002  
Motion to adjourn,

Respectfully submitted

Sandie Hargrave Sect