

Paramedic Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
November 18, 2013

PRESENT

Chief Jeff Kowalski  
John Barnes  
Lt. Kirk Keane  
Captain Mark Benadum  
Lt. Kim Hood  
Rich Ellett  
Rod Standiford  
Paul Johnson  
Aislinn Dennis  
Bri DeChristopher  
Dr. Daniel Schwerin  
Dr. Scott Levitt

REPRESENTING

Sylvania Twp. Fire  
180<sup>th</sup> ANGB  
TFD EMS Bureau  
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Maumee Fire – LS7  
Sylvania Fire – LS6  
Toledo Fire  
Springfield Fire – LS10  
St. Vincent Mercy – ER  
St. Vincent Mercy

STAFF

Dennis Cole  
Josh Drouard  
Loren Boykin

Emergency Services Director  
LCEMS Dispatcher  
LCEMS Dispatcher

ABSENT

Toledo Fire – LS1  
Toledo Fire – LS2  
Toledo Fire - LS3  
Toledo Fire – LS4  
Toledo Fire – LS5  
Oregon Fire – LS8  
Jerusalem Twp. Fire

Dan Desmond

Chief Charles Flack

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 am by Chief Kowalski.

**Minute Approval**

The minutes from October 21, 2013 meeting were available for review. A motion was made by John Barnes to accept the minutes which was seconded by Mark Benadum. The minutes were approved as written.

**Introduction**

Chief Kowalski introduced Dr. Scott Levitt. .

## **Training**

Aislinn reported they are getting ready for the 2014 CE session. Aislinn reported they received infant manikins and Laerdol will be providing the training for Jon and herself.

Dr. Schwerin reported in the Scope of Practice Intranasal Narcan (Naloxone) is now an EMR as are auto injectors.

## **QA**

Dr. Lindstrom not in attendance and nothing to report.

## **Old Business**

Vacuum Mattresses - Rich Ellett asked if it was possible to purchase vacuum mattresses citing they were excellent in the use of geriatric patients with hip fractures. Rich said they cost about \$400.00 through Bound Tree. A discussion of its use and backboards ensued.

Kim asked how big were the body vacuum splints. It was reported the size of a mega mover about 40 inch wide and 20 inches deep.

Cots – Rod reported the repair for the cot lift works great now that it is shifted back.

Dennis reported regular cots can't be used with the vehicles having the Power Lift cots in them because of the new positioning in the rig for them. The back-up rigs will be able to the regular cots and the bariatric cot.

Kim Hood reported the XPS's were put on three of their vehicles in 2013 and the fireman recommended they be put on all the vehicles.

## **New Business**

Chief Kowalski announced Sylvania opened their new station a week ago.

## **Open Discussion**

New rigs – Rich asked was there any consideration of changes in the box configuration of the new rigs. Dennis reported it was asked of the chiefs to provide a contact person and awaiting a response from the departments.

Rich commented the boxes are not well put together, i.e., rocker switches outdated and utilization of air bags in the back. A discussion of restraints in the box and roll over situations ensued.

ALS Response – Paul Johnson asked about Dispatch always specialing a life squad to such places as the Cherry Street Mission when an ALS response would work. Dennis said not at this time and the dispatchers are sticking to the protocols, but the subject is being discussed.

CAD – Rod asked for an update on the CAD. Dennis reported we received the 5.5.1 update. Dennis said we were awaiting one Go Live issue for multi-jurisdictional intersections. Dennis also mentioned he is hoping to start in March.

**Next Meeting and Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:28 a.m. The next meeting will be Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.