

# **Central Iowa EMS Directors**

Friday, January 21, 2010, 1330

## **Host: Urbandale Fire Department**

### **Training Committee Meeting – Meeting Notes**

In attendance – Frank Prowant (Chair) Ankeny FD, Rob Chiappano-Ankeny FD, Jim Mitchell- UFD, James Sargent-WDM EMS and TJ Carroll-DMACC

#### 1. NREMT Refresher

a. BLS Weekend, 2/26-28/2010 – CIEMS Conference – Neither Katy Hill or Brian Helland was able to attend today's meeting. The Advanced Planning Committee is awaiting word from the CIEMSA Conference if they were able to bring their program schedule in line with the NREMT Basic Refresher requirements. They need this information in order to finish planning the advanced weekend. Brian Helland is trying to obtain this information.

No information on registrations numbers was available for this meeting; Frank will follow up with Katy Hill to see where we are at. The committee discussed the confusion that appears to be developing over registering in one location for the Basic Refresher and a second location for the advanced one. Several members have been contacted by services about the increased cost as well.

The committee will follow up with Katy Hill on the previously mentioned items.

- b. ALS Weekend, 3/12-14/2010
  - i. Mercy College, Brennan Auditorium- *Reserved*
  - ii. Speaker assignments/schedule Speaker assignments are progressing well, dependent on the information provided by CIEMSA conference committee.
  - iii. CEH's/certificates Steve Vanatta will be providing CEH approval through Mercy College.
  - iv. Food / refreshments Frank Prowant has quotes on catering, the committee agreed to continue with Hy Vee catering on East Euclid in Des Moines. Also, to include a meatless option on that Friday.
  - v. Handouts Speakers should direct their handouts electronically to James Sargent who will develop them into PDF files that may be downloaded from the CIEMSD Website as a packet for students to download and/or print on their own. He will coordinate this with Dan Gubbins.
- 2. QI/QA Initiatives Project Online system appears to be functioning well, several committee members would like to see an "other" category placed in the type of follow-up requested. Has Metro ED been made aware of this program?

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- 3. FY10 EMS Grant Frank Prowant Funds must be used by 6/30/2010. We currently have a total of \$10,396 to utilize. Several ideas were discussed and committee members will be bringing their ideas back to the February meeting. Our goal is to develop a plan for use of the EMS Funds that will enhance EMS in the Polk County Area both short and long term. Some of the ideas included:
  - a. Reimburse tuition for refresher and/or EMT training
  - b. Training Aids
  - c. START and/or Jumpstart kits for all departments
  - d. Airway training kits for all departments
  - e. Training officer or leadership development program with specialized instructors
  - f. Difficult Airway Course or SLAM Airway Course
- 4. Future committee direction and focus Frank Prowant *The group discussed the current focus of the committee and where we need to go from here. Development of training aides, tools and programs that will benefit our nine county EMS association is our goal. We plan to discuss development of a survey tool that would be sent to all member services that will assist in the development of our future plans.*
- 5. Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 18, 2010, 1330, at Ankeny Fire Station #1, 120 NW Ash Drive, Ankeny, IA