

Blue Ridge Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc.

BREMS Board of Directors April 21, 2016 LFD Administration Bldg. 6:30 pm

Board Members In attendance:

Allan Belcher Centra
Michelle Turner CCPS
Brad Ferguson LFD
Charles Mitchell Huddleston
Susan Walton Appomattox
R. B. Stratton Concord

Marilyn McLeod, MD Regional Medical Director

Leonard Cohen, MD Bedford County Gary Roakes Amherst County

Mark Moss (via phone) Altavista

Janet Blankenship Bedford County

Jason Ferguson CVCC
Mary Kathryn Allen BREMS
Sean Regan BREMS

Absent:

Waddie Crouch (excused) John Boon (excused)

Brad Ferguson called the April 21st meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Meeting minutes from the February 24, 2016 meeting were approved as written (motion made by Charles Mitchell, seconded by Bruce Stratton).

Chair's Report

Brad stated the Nomination committee had met and would make a recommendation to the Board on the Executive Director position after the grant review.

Treasurer's Report

John Boon was absent, therefore Brad read the Treasurer's Report. A motion was made and the Treasurer's Report was approved (motion made by Charles Mitchell, seconded by Bruce Stratton).

Guest In Attendance:

Steve Wade Concord
Wayne Lankford Concord
Todd Swisher Lynchburg PD
Colin McRoberts Montvale
Judy Brunk Montvale
Seth Mowles Bedford F&R
Charlsea Goodin Amherst LSC

Heather Childress LFD

Field Coordinator's Report

- Mary Kathryn stated the Regional Awards banquet is June 23, 2016 at Peakland United Methodist Church.
- The nomination deadline is Friday, May 13, 2016 by close of business.
- All third quarter materials were submitted and OEMS was invoiced April 1st.
- On Monday, April 25th, the new pharmacy physician regulations go into effect. A physician signature will no longer be needed on a run report for a schedule II-IV drug administered under standing orders. The only time a physician signature will be needed on a run report is when online medical control orders are given.

OMD Report

Marilyn McLeod, MD reported the American College of Surgeons has been working with the Trauma Committee on reviewing the State Trauma Triage system (plan) and the State is reviewing their recommendations. She reported no big changes right now at the State level.

Training Report

Sean Regan submitted his quarterly training report. Sean gave an overview of the training done in the region this quarter to include:

- The January and February BREMS Education nights at the Simulation Lab;
- The April 16th training/CE day.

New Business:

The Board approved all the plans reviewed by the Board of Directors to include:

- Regional Trauma Triage Plan
- Regional Stroke Plan
- Regional MCI Plan
- Regional Hospital Diversion Plan

Spring 2016 RSAF Grants

Lynchburg Police Department (presented by Todd Swisher)

• Defibrillator- Automatic External Defibrillator (44)-

Todd Swisher from Lynchburg Police Dept. presented the grant. This is a community project and collaboration between the Lynchburg Police Department and the Lynchburg Fire Department. Placing AEDs in all patrol cars and training LPD personnel on the AEDs, will allow dispatch, EMS, Fire, and Police to know where the closest AED is in relation to the medical emergency and will be able to dispatch that officer/medic to assist. This is a community project to help decrease the time from when the patient suffers cardiac arrest emergency to when help and the AED arrive on scene.

Chamblissburg First Aid & Rescue Squad (no one was present from agency)

- Lucas 2.2 Chest System (1)
- Phillips Heartstart MRX Monitor (2)

There was no one from the agency to present the grant. Since there was no one present the Board was unable to answer questions. There was discussion in regards to the number of certified personnel and the number of calls answered by the agency.

Amherst Life Saving Crew (presented by Charlsea Goodin)

• Stryker PowerLoad (1)

Charslea Goodin was from Amherst Life Saving Crew presented the grant. The will put the power load system on the 2014 ambulance placed in service July 2014. This unit was made for the power load system but was not placed at the time the unit was put in service.

Campbell County Public Safety (presented by Michelle Turner)

- Lucas 2 2 Chest System (1)
- Stryker Power Pro Cot (1)
- Zoll X Series Monitor (1)
- 2017 Dodge 4500 4X4 Ambulance (1)

Michelle Turner from Campbell County Public Safety presented the grant. This agency is hiring 6 additional staff beginning in July 2016. The Timberlake area has had tremendous growth with an increase in call volume. Their time to respond to the area currently is 15-20 minutes. This new unit will be housed in the Timberlake area for the career staff. The monitor, lucas deice, and the stryker power pro cot are all going to be placed on the unit applied for in this grant. If the ambulance is denied, the agency still wishes to move forward with the monitor power pro cot, and the lucas device.

Bedford County Dept. of Fire & Rescue (presented by Seth Mowles)

- CF 31 Panasonic Toughbook (5):
- Lucas 2 Chest Compression System (1)
- Zoll X Series (1):
- Med Duty IH 4X2 Osage Ambulance (1)

Seth Mowles with Bedford County Department of Fire & Rescue presented the grant. The county supplies all agencies with toughbooks and they replace them every 5 years. However, the current toughbooks they are going to replace are unable to run version 3 on them.

Seth Mowles with Bedford County Department of Fire & Rescue presented the grant. The lucas device has been placed on all first responder fire departments and they are now pacing them on all units and the field supervisor vehicle.

Seth Mowles with Bedford County Department of Fire & Rescue presented the grant. The county has a field supervisor who responds to multiple calls around the county, this monitor will be placed on the supervisor vehicle. The Zoll is replacing a Zoll E series monitor that does not transmit 12 leads.

Seth Mowles with Bedford County Department of Fire & Rescue presented the grant. The county has 4 type 1 ambulances and they are only getting about 100,000 miles out of them. Currently their newest ambulance is 2 years old and has 100,000 miles and is in the shop with a blown motor. They put a lot of miles on their units and they are looking at a medium duty ambulance to be placed on an international chassis.

Montvale Rescue Squad (presented by Colin McRoberts)

- Accuvein Finder (1)
- Billboard advertisement (1)
- Stryker Power Load (3)
- Stryker Stair Pro (1)

Colin Roberts presented the grant. The agency wants to use the accuvein finder as a "necessity for training on IVs." The agency wants to use a billboard to advertise for EMS and states their advertisement for Montvale could serve to represent all EMS agencies for recruitment in the county. The Board asked what the price includes on the billboard. Mr. Roberts stated it was for a year to advertise. The power load system is for their three units they have. The stair chair is to replace a much older model stair chair. Board asked about the money in restricted funds. Mr. Roberts stated they are in negotiations with Bedford County regarding a new bldg. and location and this money is part of the improvement.

Concord Rescue Squad (presented by Steve Wade)

• Vehicle Replacement (1)

Steve Wade presented this grant. Concord is asking for a Type 1 not a Type 2 ambulance. The agency was notified in February that the County was not helping Concord purchase a new ambulance. Concord is now asking for a 50/50 grant to replace a 12 year old unit. They have spent a great amount of money on maintenance of the current ambulance.

Amherst County Dept. of Public Safety (presented by Marilyn McLeod, MD)

- Panasonic CF 19 Computers (7)
- Stryker Stretcher Power Pro XT (1)
- Zoll X Series Monitor (1)
- Type 1 4 WS Ambulance (1)

Gary Roakes had not arrived at the Board meeting when the grant was presented, so Dr. Marilyn McLeod presented the grant for her agency.

Marilyn McLeod, MD presented this grant. The toughbooks used by the agency are over six years old and need to be replaced. The Stryker Stretcher Power Pro XT is replacing a six year old stretcher and is not compatible with the new power load system. The Zoll X Series monitor is replacing a 10 year old M Series monitor and will allow such capabilities of capnography.

Lynchburg Fire Department (presented by Heather Childress)

- Pulse Point Implementation (1)
- Stryker Power Load System (6)

Heather Childress presented this grant. The pulse point program is a project to increase their cardiac arrest resuscitation efforts. They believe the next step in improvement of out hospital CPR survival is to have CPR started as soon as possible. This app will help identify anyone close to the location of public cardiac arrest to assist with CPR and the closest AED. LFD wants to equip the rest of their ambulance fleet with the mandatory power load systems to help prevent employee back injuries or strains, and to have an added measure of protection for their patients.

Old Business:

• Executive Director Position. The Executive Director Position was discussed during a closed meeting of the Board of Directors.

Submitted by,

Mary Kathryn Allen BREMS Field Coordinator