

Interior Region EMS Council, Inc.
Annual Membership Meeting & Board Meeting
April 13, 2007

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chuck Kuhns
Edna Peters
Adlai Alexander
Mike Cuber
Debbie Reed
Carol Meyer
Jenny Brady
Jeannette Hansen

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Scott Learned
Yvonne Howard
Barry Jennings
Dr. Robinette (non voting)
Major Mosso (non voting)

STAFF PRESENT:

Dan Johnson
David Rockney
Linda Callender
Samara Steele
Tom Dean

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Katrina Paul - Steese VFD
Jacob Dalstra - Warbelows
Rob Weathers - Salcha VFD
Bruce Atkinson - Eagle EMS

GUESTS PRESENT:

Valerie Weathers - Salcha VFD
Mike Motti - SEARHC EMS
Steve Lafferty - NSVFD
Rachel Titus - TCC
Annie John - TCC
Amanda Oldman-Tritt - TCC
Sylvia Pitka - TCC/Northway EMS
Hector Bird - Steese VFD

Introductions:

Jeannette Hansen opened the meeting at 5:05PM. She explained that this is the annual "Membership Meeting". After the business of the Membership Meeting is completed, there will be a brief Board of Directors Meeting.

All present introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes and Agenda:

Motion was made by Chuck Kuhns and seconded by Scott Learned to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Scott Learned and seconded by Chuck Kuhns to approve the minutes of 3/31/06 and 4/1/06 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Members Comments:

Members attending gave comments on their respective agencies (comments available on tape).

Reports:

Board of Directors Report

Jeannette Hansen gave the Board of Directors report and discussed the acquisition of the new IREMSC building.

Executive Directors Report

Dan gave a brief outline of who IREMSC is and what we do including the corporate structure, membership, Board of Directors, etc. He introduced staff members for their reports.

Training Report

David Rockney presented the attached Training Report. Dave said the next Symposium will be the 4th and 5th of April, 2008. Dave reported that the Fairbanks North Star Borough training contract is about complete and hopefully it we be renewed next year.

Resource Report

Julie Lawyer presented the attached Resource Report.

Tok Sub-Regional Report

Tom Dean presented the attached Tok Sub-Region report.

Dan continued his report and mentioned the highlights of changes at IREMSC. Dan said that Nicole Lane, Training Assistant, graduated as a Nurse and has gone on to other employment and a new position was created which combined some duties of that position with some of the duties of the Resources Assistant. Samara Steele was transferred to that new position. Julie Lawyer was hired as a part-time Resource Specialist.

Dan gave a brief overview of the purchase and renovation of the new building for IREMSC. He explained that our winter heating fuel usage has proven to be over 30% less than what was reported for the previous winter by the previous owner. This is the result of the new roof and garage door projects which were funded by IREMSC funds and a Rasmuson Foundation Grant. This result exceeded our most optimistic estimate.

In addition, the Borough has given us a property tax exemption. These factors have resulted in dramatically lower monthly operating expenses than projected when the building purchase decision was made.

Dan reported that we are at Phase VII with our Code Blue funding which should be completed by next year.

Dan gave an explanation of grant funding increases that IREMSC and its sister organizations in the Southeast and Southern regions received beginning the current fiscal year. The state was unable to provide any increase in funding for over 14 years. For the past several years, the regions have been working to obtain a base funding increase through the legislative process. This year, the legislature responded with an increase of 20% funding to the regions. Public testimony was very strong in favor of this and it made a great difference.

Dan said he has been working on statewide pandemic flu programs. He also mentioned that he has been working on a statewide ALMR radio system and explained how it works.

He reported on the MAST quarterly meetings that are used to troubleshoot problems and general coordination issues.

Financial Report

Dan presented the attached financial report.

Business:

Review and Approve Bylaw Amendment form 11/17/06 Minutes

Dan explained the attached Bylaw amendment concerning annual financial contributions to the corporation by the Board of Directors. According to IREMSC Bylaws, amendments must be passed by the membership and that is why the issue is brought forward today.

A motion was made by Katrina Paul and seconded by Mike Cuber to approve the Bylaw revision as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Elections:

Jeannette explained the election process: three seats are up for election. Nominations will be made this evening, and nominees will introduce themselves. Elections will be held tomorrow. She opened the floor for nominations with the following results.

Rural Highway Seat Nominations:

Sylvia Pitka of Northway

Jill Longnecker of Delta Junction (printed introduction provided)

Nominations were closed.

Rural Non-Highway Nominations:

Rachel Kangas of Ruby

Edna Peters of Ruby

Nominations were closed.

Urban

Jeannette Hansen of Salcha
Katrina Paul of the Steese area

Nominations were closed.

Membership Meeting was recessed at 7:05PM

Membership Meeting was reconvened at 12:15PM on April 14th, 2007

Jeannette brought the meeting to order at 12:15 pm. She appointed an election committee consisting of Chuck Kuhns, Debbie Reed and Jenny Brady.

Board Elections (continued):

A secret ballot was conducted for the three seats.

The votes were tallied by the Election Committee with the following results:

Rural Highway - Silvia Pitka

Rural Non-Highway – Rachel Kangas

Urban - Jeannette Hansen

Motion to adjourn the membership meeting was made by Chuck Kuhns and seconded by Sylvia Pitka. Motion passed unanimously.

Membership Meeting Adjourned at 12:40 PM.

Board of Directors Meeting

Board Meeting was called to order by Jeannette Hansen at 12:45PM.

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Carol Meyer
Debbie Reed
Jenny Brady

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Adlai Alexander
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Scott Learned
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Jeanette explained that two items of business needed to be conducted:

1. Election of Officers: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Executive Committee Member at Large.

2. Scheduling of next Board of Directors meeting

It was determined that a quorum was not present. It was decided that the election of the officers and scheduling of next meeting would be done by teleconference within the next three weeks.

Motion was made by Carol Meyer and seconded by Chuck Kuhns to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Meeting adjourned at 12:58PM.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Linda Callender

For

Carol Meyer, Secretary

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