

**State Medevac Committee Meeting
Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services
Norfolk Waterside Marriott
235 E. Main Street, Norfolk, VA 23510
November 9, 2016
10:00 a.m.**

Members Present:	Members Absent:	OEMS Staff:	Guests & Other Attendees:
Anita Perry , Chair	Jennifer Lescallett , Fairfax Co. Police	Tim Perkins	Shawn Rivard
Susan Smith , Carilion Clinic Lifeguard	Anne Hunt , Danville Reg. Med. Ctr.	Wanda Street	Gregory Jones
Chris Shaffer , PHI Air Medical	John Bianco , VA Beach EMS	Camela Crittenden	Greg Hamilton
Dwain Rowe , Wings Air Rescue			Brian Solada
Julia Marsden , Consumer Rep/GAB			Bruce Edwards
Denise Baylous , Sentara Nightingale			Tony Raymond
Tim Ryan , U.S. Park Police			Sid Bingley
Jay Lovelady , VCU LifeEvac			Scott Davis
Terry Austin , Air Methods			Amanda McComas
Jay Cullen , Virginia State Police			Allan Belcher
			Jeffrey Ferguson
			John Dugan
			Mack Tolbert
			Bev Harris
			John Cornett
			Mark Bohn
			James Baylous, MD

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Call to order:	The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by the Chair, Anita Perry.	
Introductions:	Everyone around the room introduced themselves.	
Review & Approval of the July 25, 2016 minutes:	A motion was made to review and approve the July meeting minutes. The motion was moved by Susan Smith and seconded by Dwain Rowe. The minutes were approved as submitted.	The July 25, 2016 minutes were approved as submitted.
Chair Report – Anita Perry:	Anita will incorporate her report throughout the meeting.	
OEMS Report – Tim Perkins:	Tim welcomed everyone the 37 th Annual EMS Symposium.	
Project Synergy Work Group Update – Anita Perry:	Anita will give a report for this workgroup at the February meeting. She only has one full agency submission currently. She encouraged the other agencies to submit their data for the full year as soon as possible.	Anita will report on this at the February meeting.

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Drone Workgroup:	<p>a. Drone Safety Update: Susan reported that the drone workgroup is starting a drone safety awareness campaign here at symposium called #LandTheDrone. She thanked the Office of EMS for approving the flier printout that was included in each symposium registrant bag. There will be posters throughout the symposium for people to sign and take pictures with and post on social media. Winners of the chosen pictures from the social media posts will receive prizes. All of the committee members and agencies are asked to sign the large poster and take a group picture after the meeting and post it on social media.</p> <p>The workgroup has spoken with Julia Marsden about legislative changes or clarification of current legislation; particularly about drone scene safety and liability of damage to a drone.</p> <p>The group is also considering working with LZ Control for reporting drone near misses.</p> <p>On Friday, there will be a drone presentation and there is 26 registered for the presentation at 10:30 a.m.</p>	
Virginia Helicopter EMS Program Update – Tim Perkins:	<p>a. Statistics Report The Medevac Helicopter EMS application (formerly known as WeatherSafe) continues to grow in the amount of data submitted. In terms of weather turndowns, there were 518 entries into the Helicopter EMS system in the third quarter (Q3) of the 2016 calendar year. 62% of those entries (326 entries) were for interfacility transports, which is consistent with information from previous quarters. The total number of turndowns is a decrease from 580 entries in the third quarter (Q3) of 2015. For the year to date, there were 1,543 entries into the system. 64% of those entries (992 entries) were for interfacility transports, which is a decrease from 1,652 entries (1094 interfacility) for the year to date in 2015. This data continues to show medevac services are dedicated to using the program as a resource to maintain the safety of medevac personnel and equipment.</p> <p>b. LZControl Cam, Anita and Tim met with LZ Control and discussed some specifics about what OEMS wants to achieve and Tim shared how Helicopter EMS currently works. The plan is to figure out the best way to integrate Helicopter EMS into LZ Control, either link it or build a module within LZ control. This will depend on costs, if any. More information will be shared at the February meeting.</p>	
Program Announcements:	<p>Terry Austin, Air Methods – Terry gave a big shout out to Susan for her hard work and enthusiasm on this committee. He reported that Devon Clary has left Air Methods and they are in the process of trying to fill her position. Hopefully by the next meeting her position will be filled. They are also in the process of purchasing an EC145 and hope to have it in service by the end of January or first of February.</p> <p>Jay Cullen, Virginia State Police – Perry Benshoof’s position has not been posted yet due to personnel issues.</p> <p>Tim Ryan, US. Park Police – No report.</p> <p>Chris Shaffer, PHI Air Medical – No report.</p> <p>Anita Perry, Wellmont One/MedFlight II – No report.</p>	

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	<p>Julia Marsden, Consumer Rep. – No report.</p> <p>Jay Lovelady, VCU Health – No report.</p> <p>Dwain Rowe, Wings Air Rescue – Dwain reported that Kim Lovingood has returned to work last week on a part-time basis and will return full-time in January. Thank you all for your thoughts and prayers.</p> <p>Susan Smith, Carilion Clinic LifeGuard – Susan reported that they will be presenting the drone safety presentation on a national level at AMTC. Tim will send out the AMTC information to the committee when he receives it from Susan.</p> <p>Denise Baylous, Sentara Nightingale –There is still ongoing construction at Norfolk General with three large cranes. Please call the dispatch center at least 10 minutes ahead of time. She also wanted to say thank you to the State Police for their assistance and hospitality during the hurricane that landed in the Norfolk area. State Police allowed them to bring their aircraft to safety.</p> <p>Tony Raymond, Air Methods – No report.</p> <p>Greg Jones, MedFlight I – No report.</p> <p>Mack Tolbert, WakeForest – No report.</p>	<p>Tim will send out the AMTC information to the committee.</p>
<p>Unfinished Business:</p>	<p>The changes to the regulations that we worked on in July have been submitted to the Rules and Regulations Committee and are being reviewed. The EMS State Plan will be reviewed today by the Governor’s Advisory Board and then it will go the State Board of Health at their December meeting.</p>	
<p>New Business:</p>	<p>HEMS Data</p> <p>a.) Cam and Tim discussed how to better integrate HEMS specific data points in to VPHIB. NEMSIS Version 3 will go into effect January 1. Cam asked the committee to think about fields that should be included in the data and bring suggestions back to the February meeting. Anita will send Cam the spreadsheet used in gathering the STEMI data.</p> <p>Committee Composition</p> <p>b.) Any that is interested in a seat on this committee is asked to submit an email to Tim. He reminded everyone that there is still a vacant seat on the committee for a Level III trauma center. As everyone knows, Anita and Tim will look at your past participation and attendance that will help to determine who will be chosen for seats. Please email your submissions by December 15. Cam will send an email to the Trauma Program Managers about the Level III trauma center seat. Tim will send email out to remind committee members.</p> <p>2017 Symposium Call for Presentations</p> <p>c.) Please send your presentation submissions now for next year’s symposium. There will be a meeting</p>	<p>Anita will send Cam the STEMI spreadsheet.</p> <p>Cam will send an email to the Trauma Program Managers about the Level III seat.</p> <p>Tim will send the committee composition email reminder out.</p> <p>Tim will send out the Call for Presentations link.</p>

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	in January to start making selections for 2017. Tim will send out the link which is also on the Office of EMS website. Call for Presentations closes on January 15, 2017.	
Public Comment:	None.	
Adjournment:	<p>The February, May and August meetings will be held at Richmond Marriott Short Pump, 4240 Dominion Boulevard, Glen Allen.</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:36 a.m.</p>	<p>2017 Meeting Dates: February 2 May 4 August 3 November 8 - Norfolk Waterside Marriott</p>

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