

Minutes of the St. Lawrence County EMS Advisory Board November 19, 2019

Meeting called to order at 1910 hrs by Chair Mark Devers, roll call taken and duly recorded

Members Present: Mark Devers, Phyllis McDougall, Dick McDougall, Nick Wildey, Carol Muench, James, Blackburn, Chris Velez, Aaron Johnson

Members Excused: Ann Smith, Kevin Wells, Storm Cilley, James Barr, Jay Moore,

Members Absent: Dr. Coates, Joyce Dalton, Tammy Sykes, Chelsea Snyder-Dennis, Don Thompson, Julie Sciorra, Mark Dalton

Ex-Officio Members Absent: Rita Curran, Jonathan Mitchell

Guests: None

No quorum

Correspondence: None

Joint meeting Comments:

• Risk Management is a high priority in the County. The new Risk Manager, Allan Reed, is expected to visit departments that are insured under the County's insurance – looking to see if PESH/OSHA regulations are being followed. It was unclear to Board members present if this information went out to all departments or only the departments that were at the joint meeting. Mark will get Mr. Reed's name out to all departments.

REMAC/REMSCO:

The next State meeting will be in January, REMAC/REMSCO meeting in February

Samaritan Medical Center has had their final walkthrough – are now a Stroke Center. State BLS protocols state you must go to a stroke center if you can get there within 3.5 hours. Unsure if the region will agree with this. They are getting more information and checking to see if there is a difference in outcomes for going to a Stroke Center or a hospital in our area that uses telemedicine as this is what Samaritan is using for their 24/7 neuro coverage. Hopefully have an answer at the January or February meetings.

jointriage – free app regarding stroke and it is recommended it be used