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Regional Affairs Committee Meeting
Thursday, March 7, 2024
Virtual

Agenda

- I. Call to order
 - a. Roll Call/Guest Introductions
 - b. Review of Past Minutes
- II. Cardiac Devices Grants
 - a. Update on FY 2023 Grants
 - b. Update on FY 2024 Grants
- III. Announcements
- IV. New Business
- V. Regional Roundtable
 - a. Region I
 - b. Region II
 - c. Region III
 - d. Region IV
 - e. Region V
- VI. Next Meeting
 - a. Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 10:00am Virtually
- VII. Adjournment



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Minutes

In Attendance:

Mark Bilger (MIEMSS), David Chisholm (Region II-Washington County), Charles Dorsey (MIEMSS), Dwayne Kitis (MIEMSS), Rich Koch (Chair/Region IV-Ocean City), Randy Linthicum (MIEMSS), James Matz (Region III-Baltimore City), Michael Parsons (MIEMSS Region IV), Luis Pinet-Peralta (MIEMSS Region III), Andy Robertson (MIEMSS Region V), Mike Salvadge (Region I-Allegany County), Eric Smothers (Region II-Frederick County), Wayne Tiemersma (MIEMSS Region I), Christopher Truitt (Region IV-Wicomico County)

I. Call to order

- a. Chair Rich Koch welcomed everyone to the meeting and roll call was completed. Minutes from the February 1, 2024 meeting was sent to everyone for review and motion to approve. A motion was made from Christopher Truitt and David Chisholm. Minutes were approved as written.

II. Cardiac Devices Grants

a. Update on FY 2023 Grants

- i. Staff was asked to know the status of where the jurisdictions/companies (listed below) are for reimbursement and receiving of the devices by the next meeting on April 4th.
- ii. Region I
 1. Baltimore Pike VFC, Potomac Fire Co. #2 Inc.
- iii. Region II
 1. United Steam Fire Engine Co. #3, Carroll Manor Fire Co.
- iv. Region III
 1. Anne Arundel County Fire Department, Baltimore City Fire Department, Carroll County Department of Fire and EMS, Howard County Fire and Rescue
- v. Region IV
 1. Ocean Pines VFD, Dorchester County ES-EMS, Fruitland Fire Co., Cecil County DES, Princess Anne VFC Inc. Reserve Ambulance, Charlestown Fire Company, Hacks Point VFC, Sharptown Fire Department, Lakes & Straits Fire Company, Church Creek VFC
- vi. Region V
 1. St. Leonard VFD and Rescue Squad

b. Update on FY 2024 Grants

- i. The following jurisdictions/companies we are awaiting signed agreements for:
 1. Region I



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- a. Bloomington VFC – an updated agreement was received on February 6th; awaiting signatures. Company has received a purchase order from their original signed agreement.
2. Region II
 - a. Everyone has received their purchase orders.
3. Region III
 - a. Baltimore County Fire Department – A motion was made by Eric Smothers and Christopher Truitt and was approved to give Baltimore County three weeks to submit the signed agreement to MIEMSS. If the agreement is not received by March 29th, the \$42,587.25 awarded will be re-allocated.
4. Region IV
 - a. Church Hill VFC, Inc.
5. Region V
 - a. Ridge VRS, Inc. – Grant was cancelled February 5th, \$2,880 to be re-allocated
 - b. Everyone has received their purchase orders.

III. Announcements

- a. Eric Smothers - There are 4 EMSOP bills going through the legislative process for the EMS funding, a bill for providing funds for cancer, PTSD bill that is upcoming for discussion and comment.
- b. EMS providers must focus on treating a patient and be the patient's advocate.
- c. Rich Koch - Northside Park will have IFR for their aviation services.

IV. New Business

- a. There has been any new news on having the education grants moving to Regional Affairs.

V. Regional Roundtable

- a. Region I
 - i. Live with ventilators and RSI program. Services will be expanding services to a closed down station in the next few months with hiring of 8 people
- b. Region II
 - i. Washington County will staff for two corporations on March 2nd: DES career staff in Williamsport EMS and Smithsburg EMS
- c. Region III
 - i. James Matz thanked MIEMSS for getting limited scope ass through the state and will begin telemedicine training this week and officially start April 1st.
 - ii. Rollout chase cargo for having a lot of shortages with paramedics
 - iii. Opened a RP trying to offload some of the calls
- d. Region IV
 - i. Christopher Truitt thanked everyone who helped out with Captain Louis' funeral a couple of weeks ago and for the outpouring of everyone across the state
 - ii. Getting ready for the funnel marathon coming up
- e. Region V



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- i. Nothing to report

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