

# MINUTES

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## **AD-HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE SUSTAINABILITY**

Friday, May 10, 2019 @ 3:30pm  
Jo Daviess County Courthouse - 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

### **MINUTES**

1. Call to Order by **Bill Bingham @3:40pm**
2. Roll Call and establishment of a quorum – In attendance: Mary Jo Losey, Scott Toot, Richard Robinson, Bill Hermann, Kathy Gable, Scott Green, Dan Schleicher, Tracy Bauer, Bill Bingham, Absent: Mike Murphy, Deb Heidenreich **A quorum was established**  
Also present were Dr. Ralph Losey and Dan Burke
3. Approve minutes from the April 12, 2019 meeting **Motion by R. Robinson / second by Scott Toot. Motion carries**
4. Visiting Representative(s) comment and discussion (if applicable). **None**
5. Unfinished Business
  - A. **Follow-up on the discussion held at the previous meeting**
    1. **Committee Members have met with Galena, Warren, and Stockton and Elizabeth regarding surveys. Elizabeth's survey is completed and just needs to be compiled. Dan will send this out prior to the next meeting. We will arrange a visit to East Dubuque to complete this project.**
    2. **Discussion led by Mary Jo Losey and Tracy Bauer. This discussion addressed the need to move forward quickly with all EMS agencies to determine tax support and additional funding and income statements (5 years). It was noted that 55% of Jo Daviess County population is over 50 years old. This addresses challenges with constituents served as well as first responders.**
    3. **Discussion on the value of coordinating with the Hope Foundation and other resources that are underutilized – following up with this may have a positive impact on call numbers and minimize call volume if other sources are available with a willingness to get on-board with this process.**
    4. **Tracy led a discussion regarding the potential impact of reaching out to Chris Hall regarding an MMC pilot for career tract program as a source of potential EMT's. Tracy also shared her thoughts on job opportunities that have the potential to work in tandem with Jo Daviess County EMS agencies by allowing working members of the community be allowed to serve and respond as EMT's. This opportunity could work in the health professions as well as other non-medical local jobs. This could entice a member to serve his/her community as an EMD provider while working in Jo Daviess County.**

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5. **Discussion on the importance of meeting with EMS Coordinators soon. B. Bingham will make notification and schedule this meeting for the latter June meeting. Bill will also contact Hope Foundation representative to attend an upcoming meeting TBD.**

B. Discuss in detail Initiatives 4 through 10 and the work that is necessary to wrap these up and codify them for the white paper. **The following items will be included in the white paper. We need to contact all existing Jo Daviess County EMS agencies for number 6, 7 and 8 below. Members were asked to review the remaining initiatives 4-10 below and assign members to begin developing a plan to move ahead on these projects, particularly those involving county-wide education. Bill asked for assistance of four (4) members to serve as with him as he begins to put the white paper together. So far, Mary Jo has offered her assistance.**

- 4 Evaluate the operational components of Jo Daviess County EMS agencies to determine both shortfalls and successes with yet to be determined aspects of the service.
- 5 Identify and provide immediate changes that will immediately improve the quality of Jo Daviess County EMS service response.
- 6 Identify the source and amount of budget allocation and other funding sources as well as the expenditure process of each Jo Daviess County EMS agency.
- 7 Identify the salaries, stipends, on-call and special detail per diem, and all other EMS related monetary disbursement.
- 8 Provide an accurate accounting of the number/type of EMS calls/agency for 2016, 2017, and 2018.
- 9 Arrange a meeting with all EMS agencies in Jo Daviess County for their respective input and identifying problems add concerns.
- 10 Arrange a meeting with all EMS agencies in the county.

6. New Business  
**None**

7. Citizens' Comments **None**

8. Ad hoc Committee Member Comments, Suggestions and Concerns **None**

9. Next regular meeting – **June 14, 2019 at 3:30pm at the Jo Daviess County Courthouse**

10. Adjournment - **Meeting adjourned at 4:55pm**