

**State Medevac Committee Meeting
Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services
Courtyard by Marriott
10077 Brook Road, Glen Allen, VA 23059
February 4, 2016
10:00 a.m.**

Members Present:	Members Absent:	OEMS Staff:	Guests & Other Attendees:
Anita Perry , Chair	Tim Ryan , U.S. Park Police	Tim Perkins	Shawn Rivard
Susan Smith , Carilion Clinic Lifeguard	Ed Brazle , Virginia Beach EMS	Wanda Street	Allan Belcher
Chris Shaffer , PHI	Denise Baylous , Sentara Nightingale	George Lindbeck	Gregory Jones
Dwain Rowe , Wings Air Rescue		Michael Berg	Tyson LeRoy
Jay Cullen , Virginia State Police			Devon Clary
Julia Marsden , Consumer Rep/GAB			Jay Lovelady
Marilyn McLeod , Centra Health/GAB			Rachel Dillon
Terry Austin , LifeEvac of Virginia			Bryant Shumate
Bert Bogue , VCU LifeEvac			Tim Hodge
Jennifer Lescallett , Fairfax Co. Police			Nick Matthelsen
			John Dugan, III

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Call to order:	The meeting was called to order at 10:06 a.m. by the Chair, Anita Perry.	
Introductions:	Everyone around the room introduced themselves.	
Review & Approval of the November 11, 2015 minutes:	A motion was made to review and approve the November meeting minutes. The motion was moved by Dwain Rowe and seconded by Terry Austin. The minutes were approved as submitted.	The November 11, 2015 minutes were approved as submitted.
Chair Report – Anita Perry:	Anita’s report and comments will be intertwined into topics on the agenda.	
OEMS Report – Tim Perkins/OEMS Staff:	<p>Tim reported that he is still doing double duty because the Technical Assistance Coordinator position has not been filled. He has to step out and go to the Workforce Development Committee meeting. As for symposium, Tim has voiced his concern about the need to have more Medevac related presentations. The Symposium Program Committee will meet on Monday to start selecting topics.</p> <p>Michael Berg gave an update concerning the ongoing legislative items in EMS such as DDNR and RSAF. He also stated that it is time to review the current regulations for any changes. As for background checks, OEMS is down one part-time wage position. Regina Garcia has resigned. The turnaround time for background checks is 24 to 48 hours. Other personnel matters include the fact that Paul Sharpe has left the office and has moved on to Henrico Doctor’s Hospital as their Trauma Program Coordinator. Other news is that Carol Morrow, who retired last year, passed away suddenly in January.</p>	

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Project Synergy Work Group Update – Tim Perkins and Anita Perry:	Anita stated that the STEMI workgroup met on Tuesday. They came together to review where they are going, where they have been and what’s the plan for future projects. Anita will meet with each agency individually after the meeting to discuss the data that was submitted for calendar year 2015. Everyone was doing really well until the last quarter of the year. She still would like to get the remainder of the data for every agency. Starting January 2016, the plan is shifting slightly. They only want data from those agencies that really want to participate. Does anyone have any concerns with the plan? No one had any questions or concerns.	
Drone Workgroup:	<p>Drone Safety Update: The drone workgroup met week before last. A PowerPoint has been created and will be shared with the committee today. Anita apologized for not bringing it today. The PowerPoint will be voted on just as the flyer was voted on in November.</p> <p>Susan stated that the PowerPoint is the second level of the drone education. It is important for everyone to convey the same message and be on the same page, so the PowerPoint will be distributed for each agency’s use and for adding your agency information. If anyone has any changes, please feel free to share them after you view the PowerPoint. Julia Marsden joined the workgroup and will share legislative information.</p> <p>Julia Marsden stated that for this General Assembly session, the deadlines have already passed for submissions. Any legislative items you want on the agenda for 2017 should be in the making now. There is a Science and Technology group within the State that is looking at a comprehensive plan for UAVs. There is an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Association that is tracking all information about UAVs such as drones and cars. They are starting a chapter in Roanoke. She feels that we can introduce them to some safety issues concerning drones.</p>	Drone PowerPoint will be sent out today.
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 681 entries into the Helicopter EMS system in the third quarter (Q3) of 2015. 56% of those entries (373 entries) were for interfacility transports, which is slightly lower than information from previous quarters. The total number of turndowns is an increase from 572 entries in the third quarter (Q3) of 2014. For the 2015 calendar year, there were 2,333 entries into the system, an increase from the 2,252 entries in 2014. 63% of those entries (1401 entries) were for interfacility transports. This data continues to show dedication to the program itself, but also to maintaining safety of medevac personnel and equipment.</p> <p>b. Duplication of Entries There was no duplication of entries in the fourth quarter of 2015.</p> <p>c. LZControl No update.</p>	
Program Announcements:	<p>Terry Austin, LifeEvac – No announcements. Bert Bogue, VCU LifeEvac – No announcements</p> <p>Dwain Rowe, Wings Air Rescue – None.</p>	

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	<p>Jennifer Lescallett, Fairfax County Police – No new announcements. But Jennifer thanked everyone who sent information for the program she was working on. No need to reinvent the wheel.</p> <p>Marilyn McLeod, Centra Health/BREMS/GAB – No report.</p> <p>Anita Perry, WellmontOne/MedFlight II – No report.</p> <p>Chris Shaffer, PHI – No report.</p> <p>Jay Cullen, Virginia State Police – No report.</p> <p>Shawn Rivard, VSP MedFlight I – The MedFlight Bell 407 fleet is currently undergoing their 5000 hour refurbishment process. One aircraft is currently undergoing this process and will be complete in the next couple of months. An additional aircraft will undergo this process in the fall of this year. This will complete the refurbishment process for the Bell 407 fleet. The VCU program is going very well. All four flight nurses are able to fly on their own as flight paramedics. Chris Stephenson was the last one. Still getting phone calls and emails about their structure. Shawn gave an update on the new structure of the program.</p> <p>Jay Lovelady, VCU LifeEvac – No report.</p> <p>Susan Smith, Carilion Clinic LifeGuard – The Open Forum for Drones is being held on Saturday, Feb 6. The CAMTS site survey is February 15 & 16. Carilion has an FP-C CFRN course coming up on March 28 & 29. Let Susan know if you would like to attend.</p> <p>Tim Hodge, UVA – UVA is adding a new wing on the east side of the hospital and two cranes will be going up. He will share this information with Tim. UVA is in the middle of a 135 partnership change for a five year agreement. CAMTS site visit is in April.</p> <p>No other program reports were made.</p>	
Unfinished Business:	Anita stated that the committee composition will change slightly. A spreadsheet has been compiled of member attendance since the last committee composition change in August 2014. A draft of the new composition will be forwarded to the Advisory Board Executive Committee. There are two vacant hospital seats to be filled. More information will be forthcoming.	
New Business:	None.	
Public Comment:	John Dugan of the American Heart Association updated everyone on the Mission Lifeline program. Please see John after the meeting for more information. The Virginia Heart Attack Coalition (VHAC) is May 13, 2016.	
Adjournment:	The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:43 a.m.	2016 Meeting Dates: May 5, August 4 and November 9 – Norfolk Waterside Marriott