

Dane County

Minutes - Draft

Emergency Medical Services Commission

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

5:30 PM

Attend in person at 2982 Kapec Rd. Fitchburg; attend virtually via Zoom

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If you want to submit a written comment for this meeting, or send handouts for board members, please send them to: morency.courtney@danecounty.gov

A. Call To Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:34pm.

Present 7 - ERIC BAUMAN, MICHELE DOOLAN, ADAM PLOTKIN, STEPHANIE LEHMANN, GARY ZIEGLER, DON POSTLER, and TIM HILLEBRAND

Absent 2 - MEGAN GUSSICK, and KACEY KRONENFELD

Guests: Scott Russell, Steve Wunsch, Danny Sefcik, Camden Parman, Robert Hughes, Brandon Ryan, Mike Lohmeier, Chris Backes, Holly Ellickson, John Williams, Charles Tubbs, Eric Lang Staff: Carrie Meier, Eric Anderson, Kailey Peterson, Courtney Morency

B. Consideration of Minutes

EMS Commission February 2025 Minutes

Attachments: February Minutes

The minutes were approved.

C. Discussion Items

Cambridge Area EMS Update

Chief Williams started as interim chief on February 15th following resignation of former Chief. Several medics left the service, leaving 2 full time on staff. Hoping to be fully staffed service once again by May with a copule new members offered positions. Agency has been calling Comm Center every morning to let them know when they are running as a Medic vs. a Rescue. New medical director contact info will be sent to DCEMS staff. Medical Advisors will review the Mercy protocols for similarity among MEP and UW protocols.

Waunakee Middleton Report

Chief Wunsch and Chief Russell spoke on joint study that was recently completed and published. It was a year-long process. Either or both services will have to expand to accommodate the rising population and rising call numbers; report gave options for collaborating vs expanding individually. Agencies want to be proactive and address these needs prior to it becoming an emergency. Middleton will need third ambulance in the next year or two. Waunakee just put a second ambulance into service and are currently okay, but will need a third in the future. Suggestion to have EMS Commission vocal at local level to help services advocate for expansion that addresses growing needs.

State Licensing for Out of State EMTs

DeerGrove EMS experienced difficulty in getting a new out-of-state member licensed easily through Wisconsin. The work around was for that person to become licensed in Minnesota first, then able to license in Wisconsin through the existing state agreement. Concern is that this inconvenience could deter out of state applicants from coming to and staying in Wisconsin as providers. Have Chief Lang draft something about the situation for Commission to review and consider next steps.

Annual Report

Chair Plotkin and Meier to report to PP&J with annual report on discussions being had in EMS Commission.

EMS Annual Survey

DCEMS office working on grouping up questions and shortening the survey. Still taking feedback from chiefs and members.

Update from MAS

Infant Warming initiative to keep infants warm in the field. Put out info and materials to all agencies. Protocols being updated by both UW and MEP. Have also discussed Continuum, Survivor Celebration, EMS Week, Harm Reduction Vending Machines.

CARES Update

No update.

911 Update

Telecommunicator Week - thank you calltakers!

D. Presentations

E. Reports to Committee

DCEMS - Eric Anderson can share cardiac arrest CARES Annual report next meeting after report is released. Crisis Response Team has increased from 70 to 100 members trained to provide support. Half time coordinator position in Dane County Office helps manage the team. First true deployment was to ALCS.

- F. Future Meeting Items and Dates
- G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda
- H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law
- I. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:31pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Courtney Morency.