

Summary Report on the most recent meeting of the Virginia EMS Advisory Board

November 7, 2018 – Jason Ferguson representing WVEMS

Norfolk Waterside Marriott

The Board of Health meeting set for September 13, where the State Trauma Plan was set to be approved, was cancelled due to the impact of Hurricane Florence. So the Health Commissioner, acting on the Board's behalf, approved the plan. The Board will meet next on December 13, 2018 at the Perimeter Center in Richmond.

The Advisory Board elected its 2019 officers:

- Chair – Chris Parker
- Vice Chair – Eddie Ferguson
- Administrative Coordinator – Joh Henschel
- Rules & Regs Committee – John Henschel
- Legislative & Planning Committee – Gary Samuels
- Infrastructure Coordinator – Dreama Chandler
- Transportation Committee – Eddie Ferguson
- Communication Committee – John Korman
- Emergency Management Committee – Tom Schwalenberger
- Patient Care Coordinator – Dr. Aboutanos
- Medical Direction Committee – Dr. Yee
- Medevac Committee – Jason Ferguson
- Trauma System Oversight & Management Committee – Dr. Aboutanos
- EMS for Children Committee – Dr. Bartle
- Professional Development Coordinator – Jose Salazar
- Training & Certification Committee – R. Jason Ferguson
- Workforce Development Committee – Jose Salazar
- Provider Health & Safety Committee – Lori Knowles

Luke Parker, the new Grant Coordinator at OEMS was introduced.

The revised Rules and Regulations have entered Phase two of the adoption process.

The new scholarship program for certification courses is underway.

The Advisory Board's bylaws were amended to establish an additional Coordinator and seven additional committees related to the trauma system study.

Chris Vernovai has been hired by the OEMS as EMS Systems Planner, replacing Tim Perkins who was promoted to lead the new Community Health and Technical Resources division. Chris reports to Tim.

The board has resurrected the Mobile Integrated Care workgroup, chaired by Dr. Yee. Anyone is welcome to attend its meetings.

The full meeting transcript is available here:

http://townhall.virginia.gov/L/GetFile.cfm?File=meeting\58\25683\Minutes_VDH_25683_v1.pdf