

**Berks DES EMS Working Group
June 1, 2021
General Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order: 10:06

In Attendance:

Name	Representative(s)
Bally	
Bethel	Jeff Ringler
Boyertown	Jeff Knopf
Cetronia	
Counter Terrorism	
DES	Sean Hart, Christina Wood
Elverson	
Eastern PA Medcom	
Eastern PA EMS Council	Jason Smith
Ephrata Hospital	Bryan Nagle
First Aid and Safety	
Gilbertsville	
Goodwill Pottstown	
Hamburg	
Healthcare Coalition	
Kutztown	Rodney Freeman
Lower Alsace	Phil Salamone
LVH/LVH Medevac	Shawn Silvoy
Muhlenberg	Jody Heckman
Newmanstown	Matt Sonnen
Northern Berks EMS	Stephen Bobella, Craig Huntsinger
Oley	
Penn Star	
Penn State - Life Lion	John Shook, Eric Zaney
Penn State - Saint Joes	Don Hirsh
Reading Fire Department	
RHS School of Health Sciences	Merv Wertz
Saint Luke's Hospitals	Bryan Wilson
Southern Berks	
Topton Ambulance	Mike Richards
RHMC – Tower	Chelsie Ober, Anthony Martin, Fred Wurster, Tom Stauffer
Western Berks	Carrie Frey, Anthony Tucci

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Previous Minutes

Motion: Jeff Knopf
2nd: John Shook
Motion Approved

DES Account

- Motorola – firmware
 - Unknown who will be providing service
 - Pushing for Motorola to fix the issue on their end

Task Force/Healthcare Coalition

- Moment of silence for the passing of Jason Dunlap
 - Battling cancer for many years

Eastern PA EMS Council

- Back to normal with certifications
- Out doing psychomotor testing
- Still practicing social distancing at testing sites
- Let them know of any CPR classes needed
- EMSOF – send to council ASAP

Eastern PA MedCom

- Not present

Tower Health System

- Check for dirty EMS equipment
- National shortage of blue top tubes – no EMS kits
- Reminder of security update on email that was sent last week.
 - Contact Chelsie if you did not receive it.

Penn State Saint Joseph Medical Center

- Will continue to use EMS labs
 - Has the same shortage of blue top tubes, however smaller hospital
- WWII coming up this weekend – June 4,5,6
- Don will be covering some of Jason Dunlap duties for the time being

Reading School of Health Sciences

- PPE requirements are still in effect
- EMT class started today
- Medics – half have taken Capstone

Lehigh Valley Health Network

- Mask everywhere inside the hospital – no exceptions
- Supplies or cleaning stuff – see Shawn
- New Children's ER

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- Tentative opening first week in July

St Luke's

- Masking is not going away in hospital or healthcare any time soon

Hershey Medical Center

- Not present

Ephrata

- Same problem with blue top tubes – does not supply EMS

Dr. Schiffer

- Not present

Dr. Wilson

- Not present

Dr. Siberski

- Not present

Dr. Stauffer

- Nothing to report
- Available anytime for questions

Old Business

- Crewforce
 - Hospital destination is the hold up
 - Still working on the issue
- Run Cards
 - QRS on Class 4 & 5
 - Global change on runcards
 - NO QRS for these types of calls
 - If you want QRS on these calls – must submit updated run card by deadline
 - EMS resource station list
 - Station order should still include a BLS station along with all ALS stations

New Business

- John Shook introduced Eric Zaney
 - Will be John's counterpart with the Hershey division

Next Meeting: July 6 2021 at 10:00

Motion to close

END: 1021 hours

Motion: John Shook

2nd: Jeff Knopf