

CCEMS MINUTES 2.26.2025

Arizona Ambulance

Chair: Matt Irlmeier. Vice Chair: Megan Haukaas. Secretary/Treasurer: Holly Griswold

CCEMS members may review, discuss, and take possible action on any item(s) in old or new business.

Meeting called to order: 1006

Arizona Ambulance -Thank you for hosting today's meeting and providing lunch and breakfast refreshments.

Ballets being sent out for nominations on chair positions. 1 vote per agencies

Introductions

Approve January Minutes Motion: Corrections noted. Lee Ilse and Chief Foster

Treasurers Report- Holly Griswold-Total \$18,388.90, DHS \$1,110.57, EMT Funding \$11,887.03, CCEMS \$5,391.30

Get well- Holly Griswold- Not available, none reported.

Presentation by Public Health Preparedness, before committee reports

Air Medical- Greg Featherston: Meeting 2/12 begun with safety topics: DPS reporting increase in laser strikes in Tucson area, Power line activity north of Benson, multiple types of aircraft in area for the next 7 years. AAMS providing gurney risers for all hospitals to prevent back injuries 25 risers will be donated with a total of 25k spent. TMC Rincon is open, temporary helipad. PHX transports are on rise in the area due to bed availability., aircraft will be out longer but are back in service when returning. April 9th next meeting at Rincon Fire, following providers meeting. LZ map sent to SEACOM. New Base Manager for LL1 in St. David

American Red cross – Mike Allen: Red Cross responded to 3 home fires, Increased personal 2 to 7 responders. Preparing for summer cooling centers. ARC will be present at air show March 22nd and 23rd

Cochise Community College – Beth: 2 open positions within the college for FT facility, Fire Science (9-month contract) and EMS instructors (12-month contract), need to be able to teach EMT and CEP. Current CEP cohort 8 students, 48 EMT students will finish in May. Skills testing request in April.

Cochise County Emergency Services- Dan: – March and April ICS 300 class and ICS 400 class, free of charge, flyers coming soon. This weekend RACES communication. DEMA meeting for funding coming soon and what is available, infrastructure items not equipment items. April all hazards' incidents class and May all hazards team class. Sahuaro man is coming back, burn permit not needed since it is considered "recreational". Public safety power shut off have become a new focus. SHSGAP closes at the end of the month for terrorism.

LEPC- Dan -Special meeting for Sahuaro man. They can help with events and review events in your area. They are here to help survey your event. March 20th next meeting. Including technical and hazmat working groups before meeting.

Cochise County Search and Rescue- Lee: 24 JAN rescued hiker Chiricahua monument

25 JAN Demo for Buena High School Law Enforcement club and a Church Group in Miller Canyon

17 FEB Called for injured lady on Portal Road (thanks to Portal Rescue for handling this mission)

20 FEB Missing Lady in Cascabel

23 FEB missing 29 YO male near San Simon - search suspended due to lack of clues

14-16 MAR conducting training in East stronghold

The communications exercise on Saturday the 1st will include the area hospitals, our local home unit volunteers and comms with the Red Cross and State EOC in Phoenix. It does not include LEO or EMS partners. The scenario. Is a large fire in the Mule Mountains and a smaller one in the Chiricahuas

Communications – Bob and EV- AZA requesting information on radios and special requirements. Pima County approved vendors and models to use, Pima County equivalent of the Trunk System are Motorola APX or NXT series. Kenwood BB 600 and Bendix King not approved for wildland use, only Harris radios did not pass the test for roaming properly and are not approved for use on the system. Noticed the same issue we are having with the Harris radios about their ability to properly roam within our system.

Communication exercise 3/1 simulated fire, (no agencies required) 0900-1100 communication with area hospitals and state EOC. Southwest Border Communications Working Group

The group discussed potential nation-state threats and updates on the DPS trunk radio system, including issues with APX next radios and SIM card failures.

Discussion with Jeremy Knoll briefed DPS moving with truck radio system in Yuma, close to turning off all UHF here in southern Arizona and going to trunk system only. APX radios, work off cell tower and have SIM card issues. Mobile radio in Bisbee in Tender fixed. Talk groups update is still being worked on, equipment issues.

Provider- Greg Featherston- Hospital Wall Times Reports on hospital wall times in Tucson indicate significant delays, with TMC and Carondelet facing capacity issues. Canyon Vista experiences shorter delays Next meeting on April 9th at Rincon Fire

DHS- Matt: No updates

SAEMS Council- Matt- No meeting since Jan. Send out Additional meeting from emergency management in Pima County, ventilators audit on who received equipment, original list was lost. Anyone needing additional vent circuits for peds and adult are available before they expire in Oct. Funding EMCT requests, 1 request for \$300, we will pay \$300 to Cochise College. Motion approves to spend \$300, Chief Foster, Chief Gardner approve. Grand Canyon Grand Canyon University assistance, initial certification. Questions or associate's in applied science. Chief Gardner and Chief Richards approve motion for funding. Pending 3rd applicant, waiting on application. Pending approval if meets requirements for certification

PDR- Alyssa. Not attended meeting, no updates

SEACOM- Melissa: January 22nd exercise with lifeguards at The Cove with a cardiac arrest scenario. Then received a tour of SEACOM. Staffing, we currently have 14 with 6 openings, and 4 in background checks. We are continuing to hire until we reach total of 20 dispatchers.

Training and Education: Propane emergencies April 4th, at SVFD station 3 with flyer available.
Tape and Chart at SVFD next one March 5th that CE Station 3 @1000 Adult Airway and RSI skills stations and SVFD and PHI, all are welcome if needing CE
March 4th @0930 SVFD and PHI Mock trauma red sceneries.
March 11th APS will be at Cochise County Road Yard training facility providing an electricity demonstration.

Nominations for all 3 chair positions, collecting ballots today!

Open to Public-
RT insurances presentation.
Leavitt Communications presentations.

Chuck Kramer scholarship was awarded to local SV Fire Fighter. Congratulations!!

Adjourn at: 1123

Next Month: Mescal J6 Fire Department