

**NORTH FORK AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
January 3, 2013
PAONIA AMBULANCE BARN**

Board Members Present: Clinton Clock, Deb Ferrier, Drake Welch, Don Geddes, Dr. Funk
Also Present: Karina Nicewicz, Kathy Steckel, Dr. Pruett, Lawrence Bejarano, Kris Stewart
Absent: Richard Kinser, Sheila Maki

I. The meeting was called to order by Clinton Clock at 7:05 p.m.
II. The minutes of the December 6, 2012 meeting were approved as written.
III. Applicants. The following applicants for the EMT class were present: 1) Emeline Taylor, from Crawford; 2) Eliana Bills, from Paonia; 3) Elizabeth Emmons, from Hotchkiss; 4) Collette Claeys, from Paonia; 5) a fifth applicant who was not present but has been interviewed by Lawrence, Ashford Perry, from Paonia. They spoke a little about themselves and told why they wanted to take the class. They were told of the requirements they must meet in order to have the class paid for by the NFAA.

IV. Reports.

A. Grants & Special Projects. No reports.
B. Injury Prevention. Dr. Funk and Kris will meet to plan the spring mock crash events.
C. Membership. Membership to date is 1611, 1587 for the same date last year. We are on target to reach or exceed last year's membership total.
D. Promotions. No report.
E. Staff Support. No report.
F. Kiddie Train. The train was at the Hotchkiss Fire Dept. for a Christmas program on Dec. 22. Don suggested that NFAA signage be put on the trailer.
G. Director/Recruitment and Retention. Kathy has been working on EMT class recruitment, working with the captains and working with the CE committee.
H. Captains. Lawrence reported that the captains met with Kathy and Richard to discuss job descriptions and hours served with the captain position. Lawrence would like to purchase new CPR mannequins, possibly charging a fee for the community CPR classes to recoup some equipment and supply expenditures. The NFAA is the only local agency not charging for CPR classes. The Paonia schedule is improving.
I. Operations. No report.
J. Medical Director. Dr. Pruett discussed call reviews regarding ALS rendezvous. Evaluation of some ALS protocol language may be necessary.
K. Runs to date for December were not available.

V. Old Business.

A. John Musser, former financial advisor with Edward Jones, reported that he has not found a satisfactory retirement plan vehicle for the NFAA, considering NFAA's non-profit and volunteer status. John suggested a meeting with Richard and Jim Briscoe to further discuss options.
B. Kris brought the chosen design for ambulance remarking. It may cost \$3000 per rig to repaint or "wrap" with the new insignia, with an implementation target date in March or April. Insignia for clothing is being prepared with Lasting Impressions.
C. Kris passed out a write-up of research that he did on when light and siren use in transport is appropriate and when that use might impede the safe flow of traffic. The issue requires more discussion by the Board—Kathy and Kris will prepare a draft policy for the next Board meeting for discussion of whether the lead EMT on call may determine whether or not the patient's condition warrants the use of running lights/sirens during transport to the ER.

VI. New Business.

- A. It was moved and approved to retain the current captains in their positions for one more year, the captains being Lawrence Bejarano of Paonia, Bryan Kinser of Hotchkiss, and Adam Clifford of Crawford.
- B. Application for the State of Colorado EMS grant was discussed. Possible funding requests are for an ambulance, power cots and Lucas CPR equipment.

VII. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15

VIII. Executive Session.

IX. Return to general meeting.

- A. It was moved and approved to accept the financial statements for December and the budget as prepared by the Board during Executive Session. Karina will email the finalized version to the Board.
- B. 1. The applicants Emeline Taylor, Eliana Bills, Elizabeth Emmons, Colette Claeys and Ashford Perry were approved to attend and receive funding for the EMT class. 2. Bob Kiser was approved as driver for Paonia.

X. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40.