

**NORTH FORK AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2015
PAONIA AMBUANCE STATION**

Board Members Present: Dan Miller, Clinton Clock, Sheila Maki, Deb Ferrier, Don Geddes, Tom Mingen

Absent: Richard Kinser

Also Present: Kathy Steckel, Karina Nicewicz, Peter Pruett, Kris Stewart

I. The meeting was called to order by Dan Miller at 7:00 p.m.

II. The minutes of the December 18, 2014 meeting were approved as corrected/written.

III. Reports.

A. President's Report.

1. The Active 911 system is operational.

2. Dan has been advised that having EMTs on the Board of Directors is a potential conflict of interest. The two EMTs currently seated will have the option of continuing on the Board in a non-EMT capacity or resigning from the Board.

B. Director's Report.

1. Kathy and Karina attended a financial statements seminar in Montrose.

2. The consulting firm Gemsbok is using North Fork Ambulance data to build a tool for planning and analysis, while using different variables and scenarios.

3. Kathy has been going to the Paonia and Hotchkiss stations one day per week to meet with captains and other personnel.

4. Grant applications are in progress.

5. Policy revisions are in progress. These include volunteer applications, personnel standards, ambulance operations and marijuana use.

6. Kathy made a presentation to the Lamborn Mesa women's group.

C. Business Office Report.

1. Membership numbers to date were presented.

2. Runs to date through the end of December were distributed.

IV. Old Business.

A. Tom Mingen presented a document to the Board in which he outlined specific steps to implement a long range plan for the financial viability of the NFAA. These include meetings for the following topics: 1) Membership; 2) Billing practices; 3) Communication plan; 4) Projections for membership and billing; 5) Long term plan/budget. It was moved and approved to begin the meetings in February, with the completion goal of September. Community participation at the meetings will be encouraged. Sheila will set up meeting sites. Tom will head up a steering committee to oversee the meetings.

B. Sheila is recruiting candidates for the nominating committee.

V. New Business.

A. Kathy brought a proposal for revised financial application procedures. It was moved and approved to accept the proposal as written, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

B. John Farrell has been approved as driver for Paonia.

VI. Executive Session.

VII. Return to general meeting.

A. The financial reports for December were approved as written.

B. It was moved and approved to negotiate with Sue Poulus and Gwen Carpenter re repayment of EMT class tuition. They both had been active with the NFAA in the past and will be given consideration for that service.

VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.