NJSFAC 12th District Meeting of March 12, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the 12 District NJSFAC was opened at 20:00 by Chairman, Mary Hookway.

We were opened in prayer by our Chaplain, Wes Shelton

There was a word of welcome from Ryan Fischlein, EMS Captain, Roxbury.

Due to restrictions at Atlantic - they will NOT be able to host our April meeting. Glenwood Pochuck has agreed to step up to that date and Atlantic will take the August 13 date vacated by Stillwater.

We welcomed the following guests:

Scott Danielson, who gave us a history of the 50 year anniversary of the birth of EMS as we know it Nationwide.

Chairman Mary Hookway recognized Edna Deacon as the recipient of the Scott Danielson Award at the Heart and Soul Dinner. Also recognized for CPR saves were Blue Ridge, Lafayette and Milton.

Atlantic - Mary Luster - mentioned that there is a UV light at NMC ER Security. It can be signed out. You must leave your keys with security. The new dispatch center is scheduled to open on April 1 in Florham Park.

Joe Fishbach read a letter from John DaSilva (MMC) re: COVID-19 exposure - make sure we conserve masks, PPE. Make sure we are getting travel history and if they have any possible exposure. Notify the ED prior to arrival and they will meet you. Wash hands thoroughly as often as possible and when not, make sure you use sanitizer and wash as soon as possible after. Sanitize your rigs thoroughly after any possible exposure. Training - all classes will be cancelled or moved to Florham Park. Classes scheduled at squads is up to the individual squad. There is no in-hospital training for 60 days. First few weeks will be virtual for EMT classes.

St. Clares - John Cronin - TWIAGE has an alert if a suspected COVID-19 pt. Also, call the ED. All PPE must be used. You will get a room #. Go direct to the room. They are limiting visitors in the ED to 1 person. No one under 15 and they also have a UV light.

Deb Paglianite - No in hospital classes for 60 days. Scheduled classes in outlying locations are not canceled as of now. It's the squad's choice or the instructor's choice. No new classes for March or April will be scheduled. New code at the squad room at Denville and Dover. This is NOT TO BE SHARED!! If you want it, please contact either Deb, John Cronin or Michele Hess for it.

Minutes - Motion by Milton, second by Mine Hill to approve the minutes of February 13, 2020. Motion carried. Michele once again reminded everyone to please return the Officer update forms for 2020. Please review the list of addresses in the email sent to see if there's anyone on it that should be removed. Thank you

Treasurer’s report - Treasurer read the current balances in the accounts. Motion by Budd Lake, second by Jefferson to accept Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Correspondence – There were thank you letters received from the Ulman Foundation and Michelle Davis (Fredon EMS) thanking us for the donation made in Michelle's name. She will be running across America for the Foundation. A thank you letter was received from Project Self Sufficiency thanking us for the toys donation from Christmas.

Northern Area VP – No report

12th District VP - **As of July 1, there will be a new Training Fund form. It's the same form for both EMT Basic and Refreshers. It must be signed in BLUE INK. It also MUST BE TYPED**. Remember, there is no grace period for your EMT if not renewed on time.

Membership Secretary thanked all who have their reports in. Treasurer thanked us for having our dues paid. The By-law subcommittee is meeting in March. Education committee is working on a CEU tracking form for us all to keep track of our CEU's since the State no longer does this.

All dispatch centers have been provided guide cards for the Corona virus. ICS 300 & 400 courses will be updated, information will follow as it becomes available. REMCS is introducing a new program for helicopter requests - it's currently under trial. There are some changes in what they will be asking callers who make the request. Gold Cross finally got the approval for CEU's from OEMS. We should receive our copy soon. Historian will take items that are of historical value, she has a large notebook for every district. If you go to convention, take a look at ours. Pastoral support is available, if needed. Contact John Tyman (201-310-3463). Scholarship applications are posted (www.production.njsfac.org). Please remember that to be eligible, the squad must be in good standing (reports, dues and inspections) Edna made a motion to accept Lafayette EMS to the 12th District. The motion carried. All squads are encouraged to make a donation to the 911 memorial. A sympathy card was sent to Ken Weinberg on the sudden loss of his significant other. Happy St. Patrick's Day to all.

Education – Glenwood Pochuck has the refreshers - A on 4/11, B on 5/9 and C on 5/30. They are holding a Friends and Family CPR on 4/18. See their Facebook page for further information.

Wantage has Refresher B on 3/21 and Refresher C on 3/29 (8:30 - 4:00) (sponsor of these is Mine Hill FAS when you register)

Jefferson has Refresher A on 3/28; Refresher B on 4/18 and Refresher C on 4/26

Sparta has a list of CEU classes coming up. A copy will be sent via email. They are 3/26 - Soft Tissue; 4/8 Epi/Narcan; 4/20 - B-CON; 5/7 - Motorcycle Injuries; 6/13 & 6/14 - PHTLS (Date subject to change)

Atlantic issued a list of classes. Michele emailed this out to everyone.

Mobilization – No report

Standards – The new forms are online. Download them and have them filled out and SIGNED prior to the inspection to make it easier.

By-Laws – nothing to report

Web Site –The website is **www.NJSFAC-12th-District.org**. Jeff has removed Hamburg and Stillwater and added Lafayette. He will update the amended meeting dates. Check your links to make sure they take you where they should. the "In the News" section was updated to add the Heart and Soul dinner. He is capable of putting an application on the site. Just make sure you get one to him. Scan it as a PDF and send to Jeff Hookway at jhookway@spartaambulance.org.

Nominating Committee - Nothing to report

Legislation - the Bill for the Line of duty death (S432) is due to come out of the assembly soon

Audit Committee - Chairman appointed the following committee - Pam Karkovice, Roxbury; Dawn Foote, Budd Lake; and Cheryl Wood, Milton. They will do an audit and report at next meeting

Old Business – Jeff Hookway is working on the ad that we will take in the NJ Herald (it's a post it ad on the front of the paper that peels off.) The ad is a 3x3 post it ad and will run on the front page of the Sunday, May 17 NJ Herald. He also looked into the other 4 local papers including Sparta Independent, Township Journal, etc. re: taking an ad in these papers to coincide with the NJ Herald ad.

New Business – Motion by Milton, second by Lafayette to take full page ad in the Mid Year Journal $250 - motion carried with 1 opposed; Motion by Mine Hill second by Blue Ridge that the 12th District donate $150 to the 911 Memorial fund - motion carried with 1 opposed and 1 abstention. Motion by Lafayette, second by Fredon to take the 3x3 ad in 4 local papers for $420.00 - motion carried with 1 opposed.

Lisa Allers is the new Captain of Mine Hill First Aid

Good and Welfare –

1. Lafayette - JCP&L - materials for EMS personal safety around power lines. If interested, see Jeff Hookway
2. March 14 - Milton holding their blood drive 9-2
3. May 16 - Mine Hill - King of the Hill car show.
4. May 9 - Newton and Glenwood Pochuck each holding blood drives

The next meeting will be at Glenwood-Pochuck on April 9. Meeting at 8pm with dinner before

Member of the night was Wes Shelton

There were 13 of 20 squads in attendance.

Blue Ridge 111 Lafayette 100 Sparta 202

Budd Lake 101 Lakeland 100 Stanhope-Netcong 100

Frankford Twp -0- Milton 200 Sussex -0-

Fredon 101 Mine Hill 200 Vernon -0-

Glenwood-Pochuck 101 Newton -0- Walkill -0-

Hopatcong 100 Ogdensburg -0- Wantage -0-

Jefferson 100 Roxbury 327

Motion by Milton, second by Mine Hill to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 21:02

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Hess, Recording Secretary