

FIRE AND EMS COMMISSION

Minutes of the January 29th Working Session

Attendees: Tony Roper, Jacob White, Frank Davis, Beth Leffel, Bryan Conrad, David Weiss, Matt Hoff, Laure Wallace, Dr. Jack Potter

The meeting was called to order at 6ish am.

Agenda: The agenda for the meeting and the minutes were approved on motion, second and vote of the members.

Strategic Planning:

The Commission held a 3 hour meeting to review the results of the interviews given toward the end of December and throughout January. Laure made a compilation of all of the interviews with a list of combined Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats and compiled a complete list of all of the 5-Year Goal recommendations provided in the interviews sorted by category of the recommendation.

The meeting began with an interview of Dr. Potter who was asked to share his hopes for the Fire and EMS system 5 years from now. He noted that being able to provide an adequate response was the most important goal. He noted that the future state of Health Care in American would be a move to treat more patients in place, rather than a hospital setting, more tele-medicine and that this would required well-trained providers. He said that we should leverage our potential resources in the High Schools and expose students to career options in Health Care , and, that we needed to work on communications to ensure orderly dispatch.

The Commission then did a review and amendment of the draft Vision, Mission and Values statements. After a number of changes, the new draft version of these statements were voted on and approved by the Commission.

The meeting then focused on the goals and specific deliverables. The Commission worked through both the Leadership and the Fire and EMS Operations list and made constructive changes to these two documents.

It was decided to meet again at the regularly scheduled date of February 12th. Beth Leffel send out time and place information.

Finally, the group voted to elect a Vice Chair. On motion to unanimously elect Beth Leffel was given by Matt Hoff, and seconded Jacob White. The vote passed. She accepted.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.