

CENTRAL VIRGINIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ALLIANCE

Public Outreach Committee

Monday, September 17th, 2018 10:30 am

Richmond Regional Planning District Commission | 9211 Forest Hill Ave Suite 200 RVA 23235



Minutes

Anthony McLean, Richmond OEM

Jess Robison, Chesterfield

Beverly Brandt, Colonial Heights

Nick Sheffield, Dinwiddie

Katie McHugh, Richmond HD

Doug Gagnon, VDEM

Sherri Laffoon, Chesterfield

Darshan Parikh, VDEM

Katie Moody, RRPDC

Michelle Daschner, Prince George

Donald Hunter, Prince George

1. **Welcome and Introductions.** Anthony McLean called the meeting to order at 10:35am. Everyone introduced themselves.
2. **Approval of the minutes from August 20th, 2018 meeting.** Motion to approve was made by Jess Robison. Anthony Mclean seconded. Motion carried without further discussion.
3. **Old Business.** There was no new business to discuss.
4. **New Business**
 - **2018 Regional CERT Exercise Update/Discussion (Saturday, October 13th, 2018)**
 - Registration Update - Katie Moody reported that we had close to 80 participants registered. We wanted to keep it close to that number for costs, ordering lunch, etc. She would close the registrations the following week to provide Beverly the t-shirt sizes.

- As for parking, Nick noted that participants could park over at the track.
- Jess noted that she would reach out to Ft. Lee to see if we could get any volunteer victims/actors, as well as volunteers for registration. Anthony noted that he could possibly reach out to some VCU fraternity members and see if they would be interested in volunteering.
- Walk-thru of Enon Training Center – September 18th, 0930
- The community agreed that it needed to come up with a schedule, so Katie could email all attendees at least a week prior to the event.
- **FY17 SHSP Grant update (\$64,561.17 remaining)**
 - **Current inventory update**
 - Distribution of old inventory (CD's, etc?) – Katie noted that there are a lot CD's and old inventory that needed to be distributed – especially before we decide to buy more any time soon. She suggested putting a hold on ordering new things until we have the branding project kicked off. A lot of the items weren't very useful in terms of emergency preparedness.
- **FY18 SHSP Grant awarded - \$80,000** – Katie reported that the PO Committee received their SHSP grant for next year. The majority of this year's grant could be used to pay WCG – we have enough left to pay the entirety of the proposal.
- **2018 NADO Award for Survivor Day** – Katie announced that Survivor Day received a NADO Innovation Award in emergency management. We applied for it back in July. We found out we received it a week or so ago. There will be an awards reception at their annual conference in Charlotte in October. Martha is planning to attend and receive the award on behalf of the committee.

5. Open discussion, comments, and announcements.

Nick (Dinwiddie) – We have finally moved into the new Dinwiddie Public Safety Building. The November CVEMA meeting will be held there.

Doug (VDEM) – Still working on storm recovery.

Darshan (VDEM) – Continuing to work on damage assessment from the storms.

Donald (Prince George) – Had to close schools last Thursday and Friday due to the storms and because of evacuees coming up 460. PG had a Back to School Fair a couple weeks ago and handed out backpacks to kids.

Katie (RRPDC) – We will be getting a new intern soon who will be under the Emergency Management and Environmental Planning departments. CVEMA meeting will be Thursday in King William, and Executive Meeting will be right after.