

MINUTES

ESSEX-WINDSOR EMS JOINT HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, April 30, 2020 | 0930

Via Zoom Virtual Meeting

Commencement TIME

1. Recording of Attendance

Union Committee Members Present:

Ian Nash, Acting Co-chair Brad Hart Dan Pickel Dustin Anderson James Jovanovic Miguel Restrepo Mike Lacroix

Management Committee Members Present:

Denis McFarlane Jean Pierre Bacon Tyson Brohman

Others Present:

Chris Grant, Management oversight Crystal Sylvestre, Recording secretary

Guests:

Rob Vitek, Health and Safety Consultant, COE Human Resources *Quorum obtained.*

2. Review of Previous Minutes - Monday, March 30, 2020

Miguel Restrepo's name is missing from the attendance.

Minutes approved otherwise. Voted unanimous.

3. Pelee Island inspection

With staffing shortages during the pandemic it is difficult to spare a person on shift to attend. If committee member is interested in going over to the island for inspection while off duty please let Chris know.

4. Portables for Students

Panic button portable for students at hospitals in doffing stations. This is a temporary position and will be ending soon. They have phones and a radio will only work if a vehicle is there. Each location has security and extra patrol by Police has been requested. Management will consult with hospital to discuss possibility of using hospital system

5. Vinyl Seats in Ambulances

Cloth was chosen for comfort of the medics as vinyl can be hot in the summer and cold in the winter. Typically, the staff in the front should be clean. Deep cleaning is being done at Mercer right now. There are staff specifically assigned to cleaning. Can be considered for next vehicle orders.

6. OHSA Updates (Nash)

Many changes to the act will be coming after pandemic is past. Getting EMS their own section is still being worked on.

7. MOL Updates (Nash)

No updates right now. Expect PPE updates in light of COVID.

8. Techni-Shield Defender

Techni-Shield Defender piece that attaches to the stretcher and acts as a face shield for the patient has been purchase for each stretcher.

https://www.technimount.com/techni-shield-defender-protective-screen/

New Stretchers have been ordered with Defib mounts also.

9. WSIB Report (Vitek)

Exertion is down, Mental Wellness claims are up.

10. Door Accesses

Can we leave some doors open for the time being to avoid having to touch the door handles? Interior doors can be unlocked. Computer rooms or stock rooms. Chris and Tyson will unlock them remotely.

11. Vehicle 'Konking' (Bug Spray)

Remind staff cleaning trucks to do this procedure outside. Nocospray can be done inside.

12. Next Meeting

June 4, 2020, 0900 via Zoom or in person will be determined as COVID restrictions are lifted.

Adjournment 1015

Approval of Minutes:

David Jacobs

Management Co-Chair

Ian Nash

Union Co-Chair (Acting)