

**Rappahannock EMS Council
Public Information & Education Committee Meeting
Minutes**

DATE: Tuesday, June 14, 2005

LOCATION: REMS Council Training Room
2301 Fall Hill Ave., Fredericksburg, VA

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jim Schepmoes – Chair
Beth Addington
Sylvia Sullivan
Karin Bankston

OTHERS PRESENT

Carolyn Marsh – Staff

Jim Schepmoes, called the meeting to order at 0900. The minutes from the March 17, 2005 meeting were approved.

The REMS Council Newsletter was discussed. Need to get this out quarterly and if any members have anything of interest to please submit. Karin Bankston was advised that any items of interest or informational that the hospital needed to get out to the agencies could be addressed in the newsletter.

Regional Awards program is complete and the winners will now be forwarded to the state as nominee. The Regional winners will be in the summer edition of the Newsletter.

The Red E Fox 911 for Kids program was a huge success this year. The program doubled with us reaching 1806 children. If the program continues to grow we will have to recruit a lot more help. In the Council grant we applied for the Red E. Fox costume to enhance the program.

Golf Tournament was very successful. This is an event that needs the support and contribution from the board. Currently the staff does all the work and as it grows they will need more help.

National EMS Memorial Service was discussed. Jim advised that if you have never attended this event you should. We need to work hard to keep this in Virginia. If there was one representative present from each agency that would be approximately 700 in attendance. Carolyn suggested that invitations be sent to each agency president or captain or both and that way if they could not attend they could appoint someone to attend in representation of their agency. Even include an RSVP.

Boy Scout Jamboree coverage is needed for this event. Anything we can do to get agencies signed up would be helpful.

Next meeting is scheduled for October 4, 2005 @ 0900 at the REMS Council.

Meeting adjourned at 0945.