

**Berks DES EMS Working Group  
August 1, 2023  
General Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order: 10:01

**In Attendance:**

Name	Representative(s)
Bally	
Bethel	
Boyertown	
Cetronia	
DES	Phil Salamone, Matt Stairiker, Christina Wood, Mike Smith, Brian Gottschall
Elverson	Matt Welch
Eastern PA EMS Council	John Kloss
Ephrata Hospital, Good Sam and Well Span EMS	
First Aid and Safety	
Gilbertsville	
Goodwill Pottstown	
Hamburg	
Healthcare Coalition	Tom Alsted
Kutztown	
LGH	
Lower Alsace	Phil Salamone, Matt Stairiker
LVH/LVH Medevac	Taylor Boyce
Muhlenberg	Chris Murray
Myerstown	
Newmanstown	
Northern Berks EMS	
Oley	Mike Geisinger
PEHSC	
Penn Star	
Penn State - Life Lion	John Shook, Chris Breneman
Penn State - Saint Joes	Bill Hafer
Reading Fire Department	Mike Sninsky
RHS School of Health Sciences	
Saint Luke's Hospitals	Jeff Yanochko
Topton Ambulance	
RHMC – Tower	Raf, Chelsie Ober, Bert Schiffer
Western Berks	Carrie Frey, Anthony Tucci

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#### Previous Minutes

Motion: Matt Welch  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Chris Murray  
Motion Approved

#### DES Account

- Crew Force
  - DES and Western Berks did some testing
  - Working on userguide and policy
  - Still having connection issues (being worked on)
- Remind crews to Hail Berks when doing status changes
  - Ei: Berks, Medic 6512 at Reading

#### Task Force/Healthcare Coalition

- Nothing to report

#### Eastern PA EMS Council

- Rescue taskforce 10/12/2023
  - 2 - 4 hour blocks
  - 45 individuals per block
  - Hosted by the Healthcare Coalition
- Code EMS conference
  - Wednesday – Friday 10/11-10/13/2023
  - 55 education sessions
  - FDNY rescue taskforce
  - Philly Fire
  - Mike Tiagman
  - Police Chief
    - Gang awareness
  - Military
    - Special ops
    - Active

#### Tower Health System

- Received an invitation to the PTSD talk
  - Please make sure to register ASAP
  - Opening to the public on Friday
  - Seats are limited
- Check hospital destinations on PCR's

#### Penn State Saint Joseph Medical Center

- Check hospital destinations on PCR's
- ESO issues on patient outcomes – has a ticket out for help

#### Reading School of Health Sciences

- Not present

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#### Lehigh Valley Health Network

- Omnicell
  - Fingerprints are live
  - If you still need fingerprints done see Taylor, Super User or another liaison.
- Please try and give more than a 5 minute heads up of your arrival to have a smoother transition upon arrival at the ED

#### St Luke's

- Con Ed
  - Virtual tomorrow 8/2/2023
- November
  - Administrators review

#### Hershey Medical Center

- Nothing to report

#### Lancaster General Hospital

- Not present

#### Well Span

- Not present

#### Dr. Schiffer

- Covid – up tick daily
- Avian Flu
- Respiratory illnesses could go up

#### Dr. Wilson

- Not present

#### Dr. Siberski

- Not present

#### Dr. Stauffer

- Not present

#### Old Business

- Nothing

#### New Business

- City of Reading
  - 400-600 Block of Penn St closed for NNO
    - 1230-2030 hours
- ALS trauma vs BLS trauma – head injury

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- Other symptomology

**Next Meeting: September 5, 2023, at 10:00**

**Motion to close**

END: 10:14

Motion: Mike Geisinger

2<sup>nd</sup>: Matt Welch