



Wisconsin EMS Association
Board of Director's Meeting **MINUTES**
Tuesday, January 30th, 2024 at 1715 - 1830
Resch Expo, Meeting Suite 4 and virtual via Zoom

The following Meeting Summary was adopted by the Board of Directors as the record for this meeting due to challenges with the recording this meeting's records.

Meeting Summary

A majority of WEMSA Board Members called a meeting to order on January 30th at around 1715 and discuss association operations. Motions were carried out including Approval of the Agenda with unanimous approval, Approval of the Minutes from the November 17th, 2023 board meeting which occurred at 0800, passed with unanimous approval.

Committees provided updates respectively with the majority of business being status quo. A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was carried out and passed unanimously. Alan DeYoung, Executive Director, provided an update on association operations, discussion was centered around conference preparation, future expenditures, software changes, new projects including some new grant programs and member programs set to be launched in the new year. There was no Old Business.

New Business included a discussion on a bill that would allow 17-year-olds to be licensed as EMS providers in Wisconsin. There was a lot of discussion surrounding both sides of the argument, but the ultimate decision was to not be in favor of the bill as it stood written with the potential to revisit it if changes were made. There was discussion around a WEMSA 2025/2026 Conference and based on the ending numbers of attendance and overall revenue, is it feasible and recommended to move forward with continuing the conference. There were discussions around the significant risk behind the conference due to the size and logistics. It is noted that the attendance at the 2024 Conference was higher than the 2023 Conference so the outlook on future conferences looks favorable.

The President provided a closing report to the board regarding engagement and positive sentiment around the staff, volunteers, board members who are engaged and helped with the conference and to continue this unified effort. Board members each made comments regarding the association operations, conference, and provided similar positive sentiments regarding board members, staff, and overall satisfaction of direction. The meeting adjourned at roughly 1830.