**FAIRFAX COUNTY CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL**

**Meeting Minutes for January 25th, 2018**

The January 25th, 2018 meeting of the Fairfax County Citizen Corps Council was held at the Fairfax County Government Center in Conference Room 232. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sobecke at 6:45 PM with **21 members and staff present** and 3 guests. Lt. Mike Tucker spoke to the Council regarding the Diversion First program within the Fairfax County Police Department.

**Guest Speaker**

Lt. Mike Tucker spoke to the Council regarding the Diversion First program within the Fairfax County Police Department. He reviewed the different training courses that police officers, first responders, and judicial personnel receive for this program. The backbone of this program is to differentiate criminals from those suffering from mental health disorders and ensuring these people get the most effective treatment to prevent future crime. As of now 25% of the Fairfax County police force have been trained for Diversion First.

**Business Meeting**

A quorum was present and minutes for the November 2017 meeting were approved.

**Old Business:**

Following up with the desire to get a dedicated space in the government center for the Citizens Corp Council, the Facilities Management Department has denied the request. The FMD suggested finding space within the Office of Emergency Management. Matthew Marquis also spoke about the renovated Fairfax County website.

**Committee Updates:**

Outreach: Patrick Scott is no longer able to be the outreach coordinator. The supervisor survey data he collected are currently inaccessible and will have to be redone.

Grants: Matthew Marquis informed the Council that OEM will be meeting with project managers tomorrow for grants. At the end of March the projects selected will be approved.

Membership: Jim Kirkpatrick has added new representatives from George Mason University and NOVA community college.

**Member Updates – Board of Supervisor Representatives:**

At-Large: Jade Harberg had nothing to report

Braddock: James Sobecke had nothing to report

Dranesville: William McKenna spoke about the Herndon Youth Advisory Council’s monthly meetings for 7th to 12th grade students.

Hunter Mill: Patrick Scott was not able to attend the meeting.

Lee: Linda Waller had nothing to report

Mason: Brian Foley had nothing to report

Mount Vernon: Jonathan Kiell informed the Council of the Mt. Vernon Town Hall meeting on February 3rd.

Providence*:* Nick Ludlumwas not able to attend the meeting.

Springfield: Jim Kirkpatrick had nothing to report

Sully: Caitlin Hutchinson was not able to attend the meeting.

**Member Updates – Core Programs:**

**CERT**: Dana Powers introduced the Council to a class provided at INOVA called Stop the Bleed. She also explained CERT will be presenting their projects for grants tomorrow.

**Fire Corps**: Daniel Liebman had nothing to report.

**MRC**: Paula Rosca reviewed Boy Scout events to teach the scouts about MRC. She also described first aid courses at iNOVA.

**Neighborhood Watch**: Gregory Fried was not able to attend the meeting.

**VIPS/APO**: Scott Colwell had nothing to report.

**Member Updates – Affiliated Organizations**:

**ARES**: Mary Moon informed the Council that ARES has a new emergency coordinator named Brendan O’Neill. On Jan. 27th, a simulated tsunami exercise will test auxiliary communications. Also, Mary Moon informed the Council that the Alternate Emergency Operations Center was opened for Wednesday night in order to conduct the weekly test and to check equipment for the tsunami exercise.

**American Red Cross:** Rose Madison informed the Council about the Annual Disaster Institute on February 16th to 19th. She also spoke about the When Help Arrives event.

**Fairfax Local Emergency Planning Committee**: Martin Ranck informed the Council of a Hazmat Awareness & Operations exercise. He said they are reviewing the event to tweak the exercise for maximum effect.

**PRS-CrisisLink**: Laura Mayer was not able to attend the meeting.

**United Way:** Lawrence Ewing informed the Council that they partnered with the Red Cross for a deployment training on January 22nd.

**FCIA**: Tom Lambiase informed the Council that the Chaplin Corp is changing the standards for the program. Now lay members may be considered for assistant chaplaincy. He also reminded the Council about the last two CRGs (Springfield and Providence).

**Volunteer Fairfax**: Diana Rothe-Smith was not able to attend the meeting.

**Office of Emergency Management Report:** Grelia Steele informed the Council of different ventures OEM is taking to expand outreach. She spoke of Wireless Emergency Alert testing occurring in April to test the OEM broadcasting efficacy and accuracy. This testing comes on the heels of the mistake that occurred with the Hawaii OEM. She also mentioned partnering with the Disabilities Service Board. They will be contacting users of the Functions Registry to ensure accuracy as well as purge users who no longer wish to be registered. Another activity Grelia Steele spoke about was the Preparedness Awareness Weekend on May 5th. Preparedness Awareness Weekend will help families increase their resiliency by providing step-by-step methods to develop their emergency preparedness plans and kits. The event will have a display of emergency kits from infant through adult, including pets and individuals with special needs.

**New Business:**

Ready, Set, Know planning committee will need to be decided.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

**Next meeting is Thursday, March 22nd, 2018 at 6:45pm at McConnell Public Safety and Transportation Operations Center**

**General Meeting – Sign In**

**January 25th, 2018**

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| **Name** | **Organization Represented** | **Initial** |
| Arroyo, Courtney | Office of Emergency Management - Staff |  |
| Brown, Sulayman | Office of Emergency Management - Staff | **X** |
| Colwell, Scott | Volunteers in Police Service - Staff | **X** |
| Craven, Steve \* | NoVa Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster |  |
| Davison, Janet \* | Volunteer Fairfax |  |
| Drost, Peggy (\* Alternate) | Faith Communities In Action |  |
| Dunne, Matthew \* | Fairfax County Council of PTAs |  |
| Ewing, Lawrence \* | United Way | **X** |
| Foley, Brian \* | Mason District | **X** |
| Fried, Gregory | Neighborhood Watch – Staff |  |
| Harberg, Jade \* | At-Large | **X** |
| Havers, Mary (\* Alternate) | PRS-CrisisLink |  |
| Hovan, Meredith \* | PRS-CrisisLink |  |
| Hutchison, Caitlin \* | Sully District |  |
| Katz, Jeffrey | Staff - Community Emergency Response Team & Fire Corps |  |
| Kiell, Jonathan \* | Mount Vernon District | **X** |
| Kirkpatrick, Jim \* | Springfield District | **X** |
| Lambiase, Tom \* | Faith Communities in Action | **X** |
| Leino, Rick (\* Alternate) | American Red Cross |  |
| Liebman, Daniel \* | Fire Corps | **X** |
| Ludlum, Nicholas \* | Providence District |  |
| Madison, Rose \* | American Red Cross | **X** |
| Marquis, Matthew | Office of Emergency Management - Staff | **X** |
| McDaniel, Douglas \* | George Mason University | **X** |
| McKenna, William \* | Dranesville District | **X** |
| Miller, Justin \* | Northern Virginia Community College |  |
| Moon, Mary (\* Alternate) | Amateur Radio Emergency Services | **X** |
| Mooney, Seamus | Office of Emergency Management – Coordinator |  |
| O’Leary, Bonnie \* | NOVA Resource Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing |  |
| O, Neill, Brendan \* | Amateur Radio Emergency Services |  |
| Patel, Tejas \* | Boy Scouts of America |  |
| Peterson, Erik \* | Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee |  |
| Powers, Dana | Community Emergency Response Team – Staff | **X** |
| Ranck, Marty (\* Alternate) | Fairfax Joint Local Emergency Planning Committee | **X** |
| Rosca, Paula | Medical Reserve Corps – Staff | **X** |
| Rothe-Smith, Diana \* | Volunteer Fairfax |  |
| Scott, Patrick \* | Hunter Mill District (Outreach) |  |
| Serle, Tracey \* | Medical Reserve Corps |  |
| Sobecke, James \* | Braddock District (Chairperson) | **X** |
| Steele, Grelia | Office of Emergency Management - Staff | **X** |
| Sullivan, Andrew | Office of Emergency Management - Staff |  |
| Swenson, Emily (\* Alternate) | Volunteer Fairfax |  |
| Tuttle-Ferrio, Missy \* | Community Emergency Response Team (Vice-Chairperson) |  |
| Waller, Linda \* | Lee District | **X** |
| Wheeler, Jennifer \* | Volunteers in Police Service | **X** |
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|  | Fairfax County Public Schools Fire & EMS |  |
|  | Northern Virginia Technology Council |  |
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| **ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES** |
| Nisker, Gary | Mason District CERT | **X** |
| Seifert, Alexandra | Fairfax MRC | **X** |
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\* Indicates Voting Member