

VHSA Board Meeting Minutes 2.3.21

Present: **Kevin Geno**, Evelyn McFarlane, John Flannigan, Alexandra Breyer, **Karen Yacos**, Ted Minall, Mandy White, **Al Fortin, Tara Thomas**, Roger Thompson, Mary Catherine Graziano, Abby Berman, Michael Allen, Stephanie Busch, Mary Catherine, Dan Goodman, Aleigh Jerome, Chris Conway, **Ann Gammell**, Paul White, **Barbara Brody**, Richard Wobby

Minutes: Dan Goodman

Welcome: Kevin Geno

Doug Mason from AARP has retired, and has suggested Jim Baraw (who's been teaching AARP classes) be his replacement.

Partner Updates: VHSA Board Members

Evelyn McFarlane- Working on grants. Has funding for VHSA director, tabling events, media and future traffic safety webinars. Director job posting will be going live very soon and on social platforms. Partners please share. Discussed tabling at Champlain Valley Fair. Discussed a series of virtual traffic safety webinars for May. Looking for volunteers to help plan. Dan Goodman, Al Fortin, Tara Thomas and Kevin Geno volunteered.

Mandy White: Discussed 2020 and 2021 fatal crash data. 2020 is not final yet, they are still go reviewing crash reports.

Stephanie Busch –Health department staff is still working heavily on covid. Developed PSA's for safe way to install car seats during covid, and mental health wellness for first responders. Please share!

John Flannigan - DEC program. Finalized 2020 data and submitted report to IACP. 424 evaluations in 2020, compared to 385 in 2019. State is down to 52 DRES, planning a class for this calendar year.

Barb Brody – Working on a safety day in Essex, and Chittenden county. Email if interested in helping.

Treasure's report: Al Fortin

Accounts Receivable: \$0

Checking Balance:	\$4,146.15
Savings:	\$25,088.50
Total:	\$29,234.65

Accounts Payable:	\$135.26
Restricted funds PSA contest:	\$3,000
Restricted funds NETSC:	\$25,061.98
Total Available funds:	\$1,037.41

Kevin motion to accept report, Ann move to accept, Dan Goodman 2nd. No discussion.

Presentation: Joe Segale, & Mike Obuchowski, Vermont Agency of Transportation overview of automated vehicles.

Kevin- Move to adjourn, Tara Thomas 2nd. Meeting Adjourned

Documents/Resources for distribution:

The Vermont first responder community of EMS, fire, law enforcement and corrections has produced a <u>new public service announcement</u> featuring some of our colleagues sharing their insights on managing the mental health challenges they've experienced while serving with you on the very front lines every day, and especially during this pandemic. The video also offers resources you and the people you manage can use to recognize and address the issues associated with this prolonged and difficult response.

The videos can also be accessed on the Vermont Department of Health's <u>First Responder Wellness webpage</u>.