

# Minutes



**Marion County**  
OREGON  
Health & Human Services

**Ambulance Service Area Advisory Committee**

**Date/Time: April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 9:00-10:30am**

**Hybrid: Microsoft Teams or In-person 3180 Center St. NE Silver Falls Conference Room**

**Facilitator: Shawn Baird Recorder: Sara Taylor**

**Appointed:**  Kyle Amsberry     Shawn Baird     Sherry Bensema     Mark Bjorklund     Brian Butler     Frank Ehrmantraut  
 Danny Freitag     Loren Hall     Scott Heesacker     Stephanie McClung     Dan Mullen     Rebecca Shivers

**Attendees:**  Mike Berger     Matt Black     Caroline Castillo     Mike Corless     Jordan Donat     Darrin George     Katrina Griffith  
 Kevin Hendricks     Kyle McMann     Matt Neuenheim     Jim Triewiler     Robert Dalke     Alisa Zastoupil     Toni Grimes

**Guests:**  Marin Arreola

Time	Agenda Item (Who) Information/Discussion	Notes
9:00am-9:05	Welcome and Introductions – <b>Shawn</b> Approve minutes	Sherry approves, Rebecca seconds, minutes are so approved.
9:05am-9:40am	Discuss EMT workforce program. <b>Marin Arreola, President</b> <b>AES Inc.</b> <b>Email: advancedecon@aol.com</b>	Enrolled 22 Chemeketa students, 17 new EMTs will be graduating all from diverse backgrounds. The idea is to diversify the workforce by identifying more bicultural students. We’ve seen HUGE transformations!  We’re hoping for more future funding to provide more time, more internships, more clinical hours, and more support.  Students will let us know by Monday where their placement will be for clinical hours.  We learned that we need to improve their schedule, working on lessening the burnout in the future.  Our students are spreading the word about this program!  “Future of the Oregon” funding came out. Hoping to apply!  Is anyone open to a seminar/training to learn how to recruit Latino employees? This is an important industry! We see YOU as our partners! They need jobs, you need workers!  We’re also thinking about doing a focus group with the Hispanic community about what their experience with ambulances has been. We can use that data to improve and be more successful.

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		<p>Graduation at the Brooks center you are all welcome in hopes to lead to employment opportunities! Marin will share the info.</p> <p>The ASA Plan doesn't identify the workforce, but that's what we use our committee for!</p> <p>Marin wants to be a resource to the workforce.</p>
9:40am-10:00am	<p>Application for Ambulance Service Area Franchise Feedback and discussion. Possible removals or additions to the existing form.</p>	<p>Section 7 (services provided) is where everyone differentiates according to their model.</p> <p>Send Matt an email if you have any suggested changes by April 28<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>Sherry: Are section 4,5,8, and 9 needed? Shawn believes the county would want to know that info.</p>
10:00am-10:10am	<p>Voting for ASA Committee Chair and Vice-Chair. Accept additional nominations and vote.</p>	<p>No other nominations were submitted electronically.</p> <p>Nominations are open.</p> <p>No other nominations were given.</p> <p>Close nominations.</p> <p>Shawn as chair and Sherry as co-chair. All in favor.</p>
10:10am-10:30am	<p>Roundtable Discussion Any additional information on meeting topics.</p>	<p>Loren and Matt have been discussing IT programs to track data. We hope to have a demonstration at the meeting.</p> <p>Because our need is so specific and minimal,</p> <p>The overall goal for the system is to have access to reports. Be able to dig a little deeper to have some information so we can better reconcile complaints/issues. Helps to open up a dialogue.</p> <p>Sherry is concerned about raw data out of context due to so many outside factors.</p> <p>Community Development Disability Program: Our staff is responsible for working with brokerages who house IDD. There has been communication with EMT and IDD residing in homes. For those not transported to ER because of the comment from EMT saying they don't want to "kidnap" them. It has happened more than once.</p> <p>Shawn says it comes down to consent, care provider, patient who wants one thing but the caregiver wants another, the paramedic may say "This patient states they don't want to go to ER, they meet the standards for competence, so it's THEIR decision."</p> <p>The big question is if they can make their own decision. EMT should refer to legally responsible/guardian or if the patient themselves are competent.</p>

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		Public perception of what we should do vs. what we can legally do makes situations difficult. Timeline on the application? Once the application opens, notifications go out, extending current contracts to June 2024 (would've expired the end of 2023), application is opened 180 days prior to when it is due. Reach out to Matt for clarification!
Action Item	Responsible Party	Completion Target Date
Complete Minutes	Sara Taylor	Within five business days of meeting
Email your suggested changes to Franchise agreement	The entire committee	April 28 <sup>th</sup>

**Next Meeting:** Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 9:00am-10:30am (Virtual), Location: Microsoft Teams