



Citizen Corps Council Meeting Minutes

Friday, November 20, 2015
American Red Cross
3747 Euclid Avenue, Room 1020A
Cleveland, Ohio 44115
2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Attendees (Voting Committee Members)

Table with 5 columns: NAME, Present, ASSOCIATION, ALTERNATE, Present. Rows include Rebecca Hysing, Sharon Nicastro, Marek Owca, Nicholas Phillips, Karen Seidman, Serena Steele, and Rick Whitehead.

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / QUORUM DETERMINATION

A quorum was not present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of minutes was deferred to the next meeting.

4. CREDENTIALING

Sharon Nicastro has asked that the credentialing database be declared a security record and thereby deemed exempt from public disclosure. We are still awaiting a determination.

5. CITIZEN CORPS VOLUNTEERS

Various County departments must approve the incorporation of individuals into Citizen Corps, and the determination has not yet been made.

6. COAD/LTRG WORKING GROUP

The organizational meeting for COAD will take place on December 2, 2015.

7. VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION CENTERS WORKING GROUP

As soon as the VRC plan is completed and staffing is secured, the plan will be exercised.

8. ANIMAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP

The working group has not yet been established. Sharon Nicastro has identified issues and is identifying potential members.

9. STRATEGIC PLAN

There are four objectives in the current Urban Area Homeland Security Strategy that involve Citizen Corps. One objective is to enhance Citizen Corps Programs, which has been substantially met by the creation or impending creation of COAD, VRCs, and Citizen Corps volunteers.

The objective to create a strategic plan for Citizen Corps is redundant and will be deleted.

The objective to include Citizen Corps in EOPs and ESFs has been or will be substantially met with the inclusion of Citizen Corps in ESFs #6, 7, 8, 11, and 14.

The training and exercising objective will be ongoing.

New objectives could include youth involvement in Citizen Corps, targeted outreach initiatives (e.g., preparedness presentations to residents of senior high rise apartments), and a regular program of exercises that would rotate among the County regions.

10. BYLAWS REVISION

The current Bylaws do not reflect the actual processes and activities of Citizen Corps and will need to be revised. Potential revisions will be discussed at the next meeting.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS / OTHER BUSINESS

An RFQ has will be issued for Citizen Corps Coordination by the Office of Emergency Management.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION*

No executive session.

13. NEXT MEETING

February 2016