

**Connecticut Statewide Citizen Corps Council
Advisory Committee Minutes
February 16, 2012**

Attendees: William Austin (Chairman); Dagmar Noll (WINCOG); Norma Peterson (Fairfield CC/R1 CCC); Virginia Mason (COGCNV); Jim Larkin (NECCOG); Sue Prosi (SWRPA); Kristin Thomas (CCRPA); Don Janelle (Manchester); Ted Janelle (Southington CERT); David Laliberte Jr., (Southington CERT); Richard Rampone (American Legion); Ed Murray (DEMHS); Gary Ruggiero (DEMHS); Michael Berry (New Britain); Viola Heath (CRCOG).

Chairman Austin called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance and introductions.

Public Comments: None

Approval of Meeting Minutes: A motion to approve the February 16, 2012 meeting minutes was made by Virginia Mason seconded by Norma Peterson. All in favor so voted.

Correction to Minutes: None

Guest Speaker: None

Report on State DEMHS Coordinating Council Meeting: No report.

Old Business:

- Correspondence: Chairman Austin read correspondence received and sent.
- American Legion NET Program Update: Richard Rampone reported the American Legion will hold a meeting at the annual Statewide Citizen Corps conference in March.
- DEMHS Report: No update.
- 2012 Statewide Conference Update: Chairman Austin updated the Council with the progress of the statewide conference.
- **Statewide Operational Update:** Updates and changes were made to applicable levels.

New Business:

CERT Weekend: CERT weekend will be held September 29, and 30, at the Fire Academy, Windsor Locks.

CERT Instructor Hours: Chairman Austin informed everyone that the CERT basic training class should be kept to 20 training hours, and no more than 40 training hours should be billed per class; the allotted \$65 per person rate includes essentially everything pertaining to teaching a basic CERT class and should not be used solely to pay CERT instructor fees.

CERT Team Funding And Funding Requests:

Category A:

NECCOG approved for \$1,625 for basic CERT training for 25 people.

Town of Ridgefield approved for \$615 for basic CERT training for 16 people.

Town of Vernon approved for \$1,615 for basic CERT training for 12 people.

A motion to approve these Category A requests was made by Virginia Mason, seconded by Dagmar Noll. All in favor so voted.

Category B:

Town of Manchester approved for \$1,000 for CPR, First Aid, and AED refresher training.

A motion to approve this Category B request was made by Virginia Mason, seconded by David Larkin. All in favor so voted.

Category C:

NECCOG approved for \$4,000

A motion to approve this Category C requests was made by Virginia Mason, seconded by Dagmar Noll. All in favor so voted.

Category D:

Town of Manchester approved for \$500.00

Windsor Locks approved for \$500.

A motion to approve these Category D requests was made by Virginia Mason, seconded by Dagmar Noll. All in favor so voted.

Special Funding Request

CAID Team approved for a special grant request of \$4,950 for training and equipment purchase

- A motion to approve this special Category C request was made by Virginia Mason, seconded by Dagmar Noll. All in favor so voted.

Other Business:

- Dagmar Noll reported three shelter operations classes took place and about forty people from various towns were trained.
- There will be a HAM class for six Friday nights beginning the first Friday in March. Please contact Don Janelle for further information.
- There was a general discussion on background checks.

Next Meeting Date: March 6, 2012 at the Statewide Citizen Corps Conference. 2:15 p.m.
Track B.

Future meeting dates for 2012: April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19, August – No Meeting, September 20, October 18, November 15, and December 20.