



# Ambulance Employees Association of Western Australia

## July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 – AEAWA Committee Minutes

### Meeting officially opened by the President and Executive Committee

The AEAWA Committee meeting was officially opened by the President.

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### Committee Attendees

John Thomas, Donelle Carver, Lee Waller, Dave Higgins, Dave Abbott, Marty Kelly, Earl Stamp, Dave Bryant, Conrad Fairhead, Gary Davies and Michael Hardwick.,.

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### Committee Apologies

Jon Flockton, Gary Davies, Troy Bates, Justin Brennan, Tim Dunlop, Cam Fiddock, Craig Hubbard, Justin Ingrey and Lee Mack.

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### Previous Minutes

Passed by Mr Kelly and Mrs Carver

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### Upcoming EBA

The upcoming Paramedic EBA was discussed. The membership was advised that any recommendations for the committee to present should be on the form of a survey.

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### The AEAWA Treasurer Report

The AGM items were discussed as well as catering for the membership. IT/Communications equipment will also be obtained.

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### The AEAWA Secretary Report

The Victorian Ambulance Union provides some great member benefits, and some of these were discussed. The Committee will reconvene in one month to see what we could include for our members.

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## **AEAWA Membership**

A total of 13 new members joined the AEAWA this fortnight.

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## **AEAWA Depot Delegates**

The concept of Depot Delegates was approved and emails sent to gauge how well the membership would respond to such a change in the Committee structure.

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## **Membership Correspondence**

### **Item 1 – Under resourcing**

The community being forced to wait 50 minutes for an emergency ambulance and up to 4 hours for P2 calls is extremely dangerous for the public. SJA telling callers an ambulance is being dispatched when they know one won't be available for hours. This IS NOT the call takers it is a company policy aligned with ProQA instructions.

**The Committee has approached SJA regarding poor coverage and reduced resourcing. There appears to be absolutely no indication from management about placing more crews on the road to manage the workload.**

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### **Item 2 – Reduced amount of working vehicles**

Crews coming in to commence shift and waiting over an hour for an ambulance to return to the depot. Delaying emergency response to the public.

**The Committee will approach the organisation regarding the lack of vehicles at depots.**

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## **Next Committee Meeting**

The next AEAWA Committee meeting - TBA

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## **Meeting officially closed by the President**

The Committee will re-convene in two weeks' time.

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