

PPAC MEETING MINUTES, 1-11-07
The Tower Building, Lower Level Conference Room
1101 Wooton Parkway
Rockville, MD 20852

CALL TO ORDER

CAPT Jeffrey Kopp called the meeting to order at 1300.

ATTENDEES (MEMBERS)

See attached Attendance Roster

GUESTS & EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the November 16, 2006 meeting were approved without corrections

CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER REPORT

(Brief comments presented by CAPT David Rutstein on break from a meeting)

- PHS readiness participation activities are expected to increase due to the world affairs
- Readiness figures for the Corps are anticipated at approximately 75%
- Medical special pays have been approved; the pay scales should be released soon

PPAC CHAIR REPORT (CAPT JEFFREY KOPP)

- 3 medical officers, RADM Craig Vanderwagen, CAPT David Rutstein, and RADM Boris Lushniak, recently received prestigious awards from the American Medical Association for work relating to disaster relief
- CDR Jeff Brady, outgoing chair, was presented with a plaque for service to the PPAC
- Future PPAC meeting sites were considered with discussion of access to a central location
- CAPT Rutstein held town meetings with medical officers which were well received
- The need for adequate communication exchange among officers has increased with 13 standing PPAC committees and 12 Transformation working groups
 - Prior to this meeting, CAPT Kopp distributed a list of the present communications channels which include the MedOfficer ListServ, PPAC ListServ, PPAC website, and a PPAC webportal (under development)
 - The needs of the medical officers with regards to information technology were discussed, for example importance of some documents, time

