

**London Ambulance Service Unison Branch
Committee Meeting**

12th of May 2011 – LAS HQ Conference Room

Present: Eric Roberts –Branch Secretary
Eddie Brand – Chair
Sarah Hardy – Vice Chair
Rob Matthews- North West Sector
Peter Hannell – Diversity/Equality Officer
Mark Lione – Membership Officer
Brian Robinson-East Central Sector
Julie Shirt – North East Sector
Dave Lamey-South West Sector
Andrea Gibbs-Welfare
Gary Edwards-West Sector
Michael Apps-Retired Members
Richard Chow-EOC
Hannah Curror-West Sector
Dave Smith- North East Sector
Jason Anderson- Labour Link Officer
Phil Thompson-Unison Regional Organiser

Apologies

Paul O'Neill
Claudette McNaughton
Clare Hodgson
George Achilles
Ian Lee
Rob Sydney
Mark Belkin

Introductions and Welcome:

- (EB) Welcomed Jason Anderson, the new Branch Labour Link Officer.

Previous Minutes:

- Minutes from the previous meeting on the 23rd of March 2011 were agreed as a true record.

Matters arising:

- None.

Branch Secretary's Report (ER)

- Legal report and running total of compensation distributed. Compensation totalling £200,764.75p has been awarded to LAS Unison Branch members since the last meeting.

Running total of compensation from March 2010 is £272,703.20p. £1,830,831.81p of compensation has been obtained by the branch on behalf of its members since 1999.

- (ER) Received acknowledgement and thanks for the sponsorship donation given to Mark Maslin, a member of HART when he ran the London marathon.
- (ER) A discussion took place around the renewal of the Unison discount card. It was agreed by the branch that the discount card would be renewed for members for the next two years.
- (ER) Informed the branch that the branch development and training weekend would be held at Croyde Bay on the 24th-27th of September 2011.
- (ER) A discussion took place about the Mongolia Rally and the request for sponsorship. The Branch Committee did not feel able to agree a donation in support but left the Branch Secretary to identify Unison Members involved in the first instance, and then to email out a proposal.
- (ER) The Rest break proposals are still ongoing. EB to report back after the next operational partnership forum meeting.

Partnership Forum/Constitution (ER)

- (ER) The H&S Constitution and Partnership: Waiting to confirm the level of training representatives have before the Branch nominates. ER to report back when reps have completed this training.

Foundation Trust Update

- No Report.

Branch Officers Reports

Staff Council (EB)

No report.

Labour Link (JA)

- A verbal report was given.

Diversity/Equalities (PH)

- (PH) A verbal report was given. Pensions report and Equalities report were distributed also.

Membership (ML)

- New members applied to join the branch- Agreed by committee.

Education (MB)

- No report.

Treasurer Report (GA)

- No report.

EOC (RC)

New dispatch model is now being used in EOC to get ready for CommandPoint. This should start on the 8th of June 2011.

Health and Safety (IL)

- No report

Regional Officer (PT)

- No report.

Welfare (AG)

- No report.

Retired Members (MA)

- Newsletter has been sent to all retired members.

Communications (RS)

- No report.

PTS (GE)

A verbal report was given regarding the position of contracts within the PTS.

Senior Sector/Area Representatives Reports

_ North East – 0 Suspensions. 0 Disciplinarys. 0 Capabilities.

East Central - 0 Suspensions. 0 Disciplinarys. 0 Capabilities. All reps AGM is on the 10th of June.

North West- 0 Suspensions 0 Disciplinarys 0 Capability. All reps AGM is on the 27th of May.

West - 1 Suspension. 0 capability. All reps AGM is on the 7th of June.

South - 0 suspensions .0 disciplinarys. 0 capability.

AOB

-No AOB.

Date of next Meeting

-9th of June 2011 at Fieldon House at 1030 am .